

HELPER WORKING PARTY BRIEF – Helper Practices Overview

There are 4 helper working parties, each one focusing on a different topic. These helper working parties are different from other kejiwaan activities because their purpose is to develop a few clear recommendations to bring to the congress plenary. These recommendations are intended to improve the way kejiwaan work is done. Rather than listing pages of suggestions, each of the working parties should develop just a few clear and pertinent recommendations.

We have selected four areas on which to focus, a different one for each day. The reason these areas have been chosen is because either there is some controversy about them or because they have not worked well. The four areas are: (1) Helper practices overview; (2) Our work with new members and young people; (3) Committee and helper Dewans; and (4) Our work with applicants and candidate helpers.

Today's topic is Helper Practices Overview. The reason we have selected this topic is because there are many things we as helpers do that are working well and other aspects of our work that are not as successful.

This workshop will be a chance to identify what works and what doesn't, and to begin to focus on ways to improve our performance.

We are hoping that once small groups are formed that each group will spend some time discussing the topic. Then, testing can occur to clarify any aspects that need this.

Small groups of approximately 10 will be now be formed. In forming the groups, consider the need for translators. Each small group will need a facilitator and a recorder to take notes on possible test questions and final recommendations. Each group will need to find a small area to talk in either Convention Hall B or Convention Hall C.