Layers of Limbo: Governing Vulnerable & Displaced Populations in Thailand

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General Project Overview

**Objective:** To conduct a theoretically informed examination of the political problems that complicate the efforts of international, domestic, and non-state actors to govern flows of refugees, migrants, and vulnerable populations in Thailand.

**Methodology:** The larger research design employs a single particular aspect of governance of forced migration in Thailand (see abstracts), producing individual literature reviews prior to fieldwork, in order to provide the context necessary to collect and analyze primary source data – primarily from over 30 elite interviews with a range of stakeholders invested in the governance of vulnerable populations. This design has the advantage of allowing for individual specialization, while ultimately strengthening the team’s understanding of the central research question through the identification of cross-cutting themes and the analysis of the theoretical and policy implications thereof.