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FOREWORD

Asia is a vast area with high density of population, and two largest economies of the world, China and Japan. Despite the downturn of the global economy, growth in East Asia and Pacific remains resilient. In the year 2015 as ASEAN is coming closer as one community, Asian studies becomes ever more prominent.

Activities of the IAS correspond to this regional phenomenon. There were many projects, both research and seminar, that focused on ASEAN with Thailand as a part of it, for example, seminar on Japan-ASEAN Business and Cultural Relations, ASEANs Morality Research and the Role of Islam in Contributing to the Construction of ASEAN Socio-cultural Community. All these activities validate that the IAS is moving along with the new regional trend. Not only that we serve the Thai community, our service is now broaden to larger scope, regional community.

However, all the above effort could not have been achieved without cooperations and assistance from our partners and contributors, granting agencies, research institutions, government agencies, researchers, seminar participants and readers. We would like to express our appreciation to all supporters. We pledge to continue to serve our community.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nualnoi Treerat
Director

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I. Overview

◆ Background

The Institute of Asian Studies (IAS) is an inter-disciplinary research, teaching and service organization. IAS was established in 1967 as a research center within the Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University. With wide range of academic activities, we have been well recognized both at the national and international level. Consequently, on May 10, 1985, The Royal Decree established the IAS as an independent academic institution under Chulalongkorn University.

Today, the IAS continues to serve the Thai community and the Asian region. We are proud to be a source of knowledge and expertise for a broad range of subject areas in the region including economic, social, political, and security concerns. This has been accomplished through the diligence and cooperation of a team of highly qualified researchers with specialized knowledge about each country and sub-region within Asia.

◆ Vision

The Institute of Asian Studies (IAS) is committed to excellence in research and academic services for the sustainable development of Asian Studies as well as acting as a reference for both national and international society.

◆ Mission

1. To maintain research excellence in Asian studies
2. To be an academic reference, pioneer, promoter and presenter of knowledge in Asian studies
3. To pioneer new research agendas with regards to Asian studies
4. To promote Asian studies' education and knowledge transfer
5. To foster constructive relationship amongst Thailand and Asian neighbours

◆ Activities

Research

IAS research projects are often inter-disciplinary in nature. This includes basic, applied and action research of both short and long-term duration. IAS strives to maintain high standards of scientific objectivity, quality and academic integrity.

The areas of research at IAS are primarily focused geographically on the Asian region. It is clearly evident that issues relevant to Asian studies have become increasingly trans-boundary. The changing regional and global context demands not only comprehensive and insightful knowledge about a particular country but also dynamics and connectivity amongst countries.

For almost three decades, the work and activities of IAS have widely been appraised, especially amongst national and international academic circles. This increasingly well-established reputation for academic quality at IAS has resulted in high levels of cooperation and networking with other academic institutions. It is a primary objective of IAS to ascertain quality standard of the research so as to ensure a continuation and enhancement of its status as an excellent research institute.

Graduate Studies

IAS, in cooperation with other academic units of Chulalongkorn University, has recently launched three Master degree programmes: the Master of Arts in Southeast Asian Studies, the Master of Arts in Human and Social Development, and Master of Arts in Korean Studies. These programmes provide a platform for IAS researchers to share and exchange with students their knowledge and experiences.

The Master of Arts in Southeast Asian Studies is an international graduate programme which is conducted in collaboration with the Faculty of Arts, Chulalongkorn University. It actually is the first pioneering programme within the Asian region providing unique study experiences. As a reaction to the dominant western perspectives towards Asia during Vietnam War and Cold War, local interest striving for genuine knowledge and understanding of Southeast Asia has proven to be essential. Consequently, the direction and objectives of the Southeast Asian Studies Programme have been adjusted in order to understand Southeast Asia from a more locally-based perspective with the objective of building up an alternative body of knowledge on the region that takes into account the rapid and dramatic changes which are currently taking place. Besides this external demand, IAS is ready to utilise its resources, that is, experienced staff and strong regional and international cooperative network for knowledge dissemination through our Master programme.

Similarly, the Master of Arts in Human and Social Development Programme is based upon a cooperative effort with the Social Research Institute (CUSRI) and the Department of Sociology at the Faculty of Political Science. It represents a renewed impetus and commitment by the IAS and its institutional partners to promote academic excellence in the area of human and social development to cope with the dynamic situation and challenges faced by the entire global.

Not until recently does the influence and widespread popularity of Korean culture become a phenomenon, Chulalongkorn University Graduate School and the IAS take this opportunity to develop an international Master degree programme in Korean Studies. The programme is formally in effect since 2008 and continues to gain more popularity amongst domestic graduates and those of neighbouring countries.

Consultative and Informational Services

With regard to our long standing reputation and our mission to disseminate knowledge about Asia, learners and organisations of many kinds often consult with IAS's researchers and seek recommendations regarding their specialisation. Additionally, whenever situations and crises faced by Asian countries occupy media attention, IAS's researchers are invited to share their knowledge and opinion them on regular basis.

Special Lectures and Panel Discussions

Thai and foreign scholars are often invited to give special lectures and engage in panel discussions on Asian affairs at the IAS. Participants in these programmes include scholars, students and the general public. This type of activity is carried out in order to promote better understanding about Asia among the general people. In addition, it encourages more in-depth and inter-disciplinary study of the Asian region and individual Asian countries in the academic community.

Seminars, Conferences, and Workshops

IAS offers series of seminars, conferences, and workshops all year round. These activities serve to inform the public about the findings and innovations discovered through IAS's ongoing research projects. Moreover, during seminars, conferences and workshops, important current issues often come to the fore. This provides opportunity for further discussion and policy recommendations.

Training Programmes

IAS is keen to offer a range of training programmes which aim to equip attendants with true understanding and applicable knowledge. Annually, Japanese study training programme, under the auspicious of Japan Information Service, the Embassy of Japan, is offered free of charge to secondary school teachers nationwide. In addition, IAS at the request of the Ministry of Labour organises a training course for Thai workers to enable them a smooth transition for going to work abroad. Also study trips on arts & culture as well as Asian languages training courses are especially tailored upon request to meet given organisations expectations and needs.

Audio-Visual Aids Center

The Audio-Visual Aids Center serves the IAS's mission in knowledge dissemination. It is responsible for producing multimedia and Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI) on Thailand and other Asian countries including collecting photos of all IAS academic activities. It also takes care of information management through the social media – www.ias.chula.ac.th and www.facebook.com/ias

Publications

IAS hosts a publishing and quality control of three well-known journals which the encourage a promotion of Asian multidimensional ways of life, ranging from culture, arts, politics, religions, economic, foreign affairs, etc. Asian Review is a peer-reviewed English language journal published annually while the Journal of Asian Review (เอเชียปริทัศน์) and Asia Trend (กระแสดเอเชีย) are Thai periodical. The three are widely recognised and used as reference materials on Asian affairs. Other types of publications include research papers, seminar proceedings, monographs and textbooks.

Thesis of exceptional quality is specially selected and transformed to an academic book. In so doing, the “Wolfgang Wittwer Memorial Fund” is responsible for publishing costs and IAS acts to assure quality standard of the book through a peer-reviewed process.

Visiting Scholars

IAS welcomes and is willing to provide facilities to support visiting scholars who wish to conduct collaborative research with IAS researchers. In very much the same vein, IAS researchers have been invited to affiliate with other well-known institutions abroad.

Area Studies Programmes

IAS' work in education and research promotes cooperation both within Chulalongkorn University's research environment and with research institutions outside of the university. Through this mutual effort, researchers from Thailand and other Asian countries are able to build a greater level of harmony and understanding between the people of the countries involved. At IAS, the *Chinese Studies Center*, the *Mekong Studies Center*, the *Asian Research Center for Migration* and the *Muslim Studies Center* have been particularly active in enlarging their academic networks. The *Japanese Studies Programme* is also engaged with this type of networking as part of the IAS plan of action. In addition, plans have been made to upgrade the Japan Studies Programme to a *Japanese Studies Center*.

Special Programmes

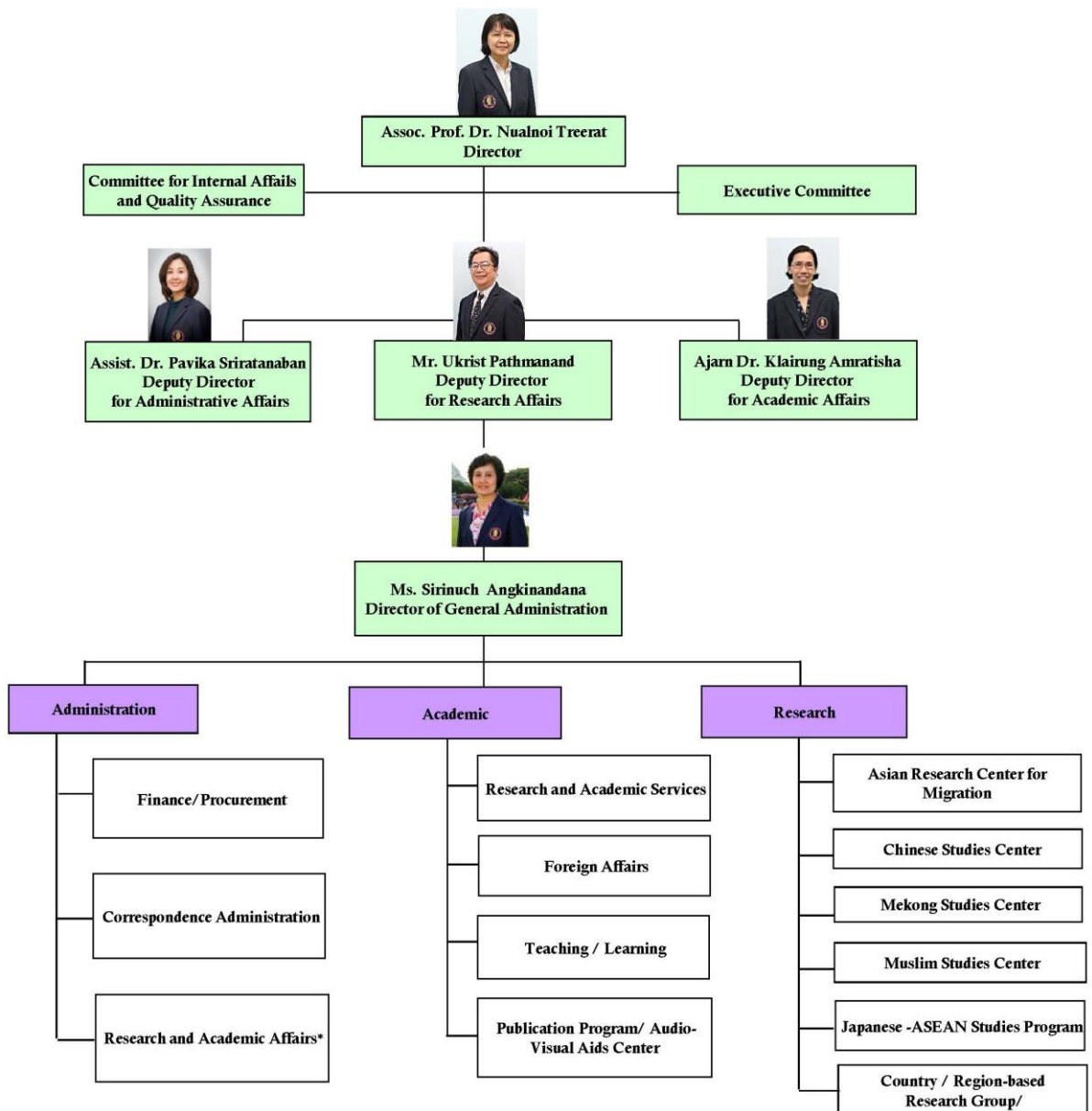
The *Asian Public Intellectuals (API) Fellowships*, funded by The Nippon Foundation, provides opportunities for public intellectuals to visit other Asian countries to engage in research and exchange activities amongst five partner countries, that is, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand. It encourages those intellects to apply their professional knowledge, wisdom, and experience to flourish the betterment of society.

Lastly, The Thai World Affairs Center, which established in 1986, affiliates with but administratively autonomous from the IAS. The Center communicates mainly with its audiences through the website www.thaiworld.org which provides insights into political, economic and social issues as well as situations in Asia.

II. Organisation Structure

2.1 Administrative Structure

The administrative board is appointed by the University Senate for a term of office of four years. It is responsible for accountability and transparency of the institutional management and for academic excellence of research centers.



หมายเหตุ : * Research and Academic Affairs is assigned to be under the supervision of the Deputy Director for Research Affairs and the Deputy Director for Academic Affairs

◆ Responsibilities

The administrative board is held liable for the overall organisation's performance by:-

- ◆ Setting policies, objectives, and overall direction for academic and research excellence;
- ◆ Selecting, appointing, supporting and reviewing the performance of its personnel;
- ◆ Ensuring the availability and adequacy of financial resources;
- ◆ Committing to transparency and effective financial management;
- ◆ Approving annual budgets; salaries, and compensation;
- ◆ Promoting quality improvement of administrative tasks;
- ◆ Promoting healthy working environment.

◆ IAS Executive Committee/ Board of Directors

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Director	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nualnoi Treerat	Faculty of Economics
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Deputy Director, Academic Affairs	Dr. Klairung Amratisha	Faculty of Arts
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Committee	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Suwanna Satha-anand	Faculty of Arts
Committee	Prof. Surichai Wun'Gao	Center for Peace and Conflict Studies
Committee	Asst. Prof. Phiphat Thaiarry	Faculty of Political Science
Committee	Ms. Kanokphan U-sha	IAS
Committee	Ms. Supaphan Tangtrongpairoj	IAS




2.2 Administrative Office



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2.3 Academic Office

◆ Audio-Visual Aids Center

The Audio-Visual Aids Center was founded in 1982. The center aims to accomplish the following :

1. Providing resources to teachers at all levels as well as to the entire educational system
2. Serving as a link amongst Chulalongkorn University and other provincial educational institutions through the exchange of teaching-aid materials
3. Improving teaching-aid materials in order to stay up-to-date with newly emerging technologies that can enhance the effectiveness of knowledge transfer and student learning

The Center is well-known for its capacity in producing teaching-aid materials about Thailand as well as Asian countries. It has produced and edited nearly 60 slide sets with subject matters such as the history and geography of Thailand. Moreover, the Center has constantly produced series of audio files regarding the Institute all-year-round academic seminars and conferences.

In addition, the Center has expanded its production by developing Computer-Assisted Instruction (CAI) CD-ROMs as an alternative platform for the various pedagogical needs of educational institutions. Currently, there are 19 CD-Slides and 28 Video CDs produced by the Center.

The majority of these teaching aids cover social science subjects, with a focus on Asian and Thai studies. These include Asian country profiles, Asian current events, environmental issues, science and technology, Thai history, world religions and hill tribe documentaries. Materials on the following Asian countries have been produced: Brunei, China, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, and Vietnam. The Center has now expanded its services to include video production and editing as well as digitizing work for several educational institutions both in and outside of Chulalongkorn University.

◆ Thai World Affairs Center (Thai World)

The Thai World Affairs Center, formerly named the International Understanding Programme (IUP), is founded on October 1, 1986. Since its establishment, IUP engaged in a variety of activities relevant to its objectives. In the first 8 years, it organized lectures and seminar series aimed at promoting international understanding. These included “*Meet the Ambassador*” forums which provided opportunities for foreign ambassadors in Thailand to meet with the public in an informal setting. Second, it gave awards to a number of eminent Thais who had an outstanding record for promoting international understanding. Third, in two consecutive years (1996-1997) it administered nation-wide competitions, with the cooperation of a number of newspapers and television programs, to select 7 promising young students and teachers as its “people ambassadors” to Japan and China. In this role, the chosen representatives interacted with their counterparts during 8 day visits to partner countries. Fourth, the program has produced papers or information sheets to be supplied to interested individuals, institutions of higher learning, government agencies and other selected organizations. Finally, from the beginning of 1997 to the end of 2003, Thai World produced a monthly periodical entitled the “Thailand Monitor” for world-wide distribution.



The original format of the Thailand Monitor was a collection of articles on Thailand published in English by the mass media in Thailand. It differed from the current Thailand Monitor, which is available on the Thai World website, in that the former’s copyright belonged to the original publishers and IUP was allowed to reproduce and distribute articles by mail only. The copyright of the current version of the Thailand Monitor belongs solely to Thai World, and the stories contained therein are written and edited by the Thai World team of experts. However, the objective remains the same: to promote better understanding of Thailand among foreigners. It should be noted that Thai World is currently sharing its website with a Thai version of World Society, dedicated to promoting better understanding of the world among the Thai people. You are cordially invited to visit the Thai World website (www.thaiworld.org) as well as to provide advice on how it can be improved at our e-mail: info@thaiworld.org

2.4 Research Centers

2.4.1 Asian Research Center for Migration

Background :

The Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) is a unit of the Institute of Asian Studies at Chulalongkorn University. Established as the Indochinese Refugee Information Center in 1987 and reconstituted as ARCM in 1995, the Center was recognized as a Chulalongkorn University Center of Excellence in 2007. ARCM activities include: conducting research on migration topics related to development, health and forced migration; setting up a resource information center on migration-related issues; strengthening links with other academic institutions, such as civil society organization, governmental and non-governmental organizations; and disseminating data and information based on its research.









ARCM provides information on migration to the general public in the form of published research, statistical data and national and regional policy recommendations concerning cross-border migration, with a focus on the Southeast Asian region. ARCM also offers its expertise and services to individuals and organizations through lectures, seminars, trainings and consultancies. ARCM's core team comprises not only members of the academic community of Chulalongkorn University but also a multi-disciplinary group of committed researchers, including both Thai and international experts. ARCM is a member of a variety of academic networks including the Asia Pacific Migration Research Network, the Global Development Network, the International Association of Forced Migration and others.

Objectives :

1. To analyze and investigate the contemporary international migration and emerging migration trends and patterns of cross-border movement and forced migration affecting the national, regional, and global processes with the rigorous and evidenced-based research.
2. To provide knowledge and critical understanding of various dynamism of migration, with the aim to improve the lives of vulnerable migrants and refugees.
3. To establish an international and multi-disciplinary network of scholars, practitioners and stakeholders interested in migration.
4. To stimulate debate on migration studies through lecture, conference, consultancy workshop, press release, book launch, policy brief, training programme, documentation system, various forms of publications, field trip study, website services, statistical information, dissemination of research results, and other academic activities.

- ◆ **Consultant:** Professor Emeritus Dr. Supang Chantavanich
- ◆ **Head of Centre:** Assistant Professor Dr. Naruemon Thabchumpon
- ◆ **Head of the Center of the Excellence:** Assistant Professor Dr. Naruemon Thabchumpon
- ◆ **List of Research Centers**

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		Name	Expertise
6.		Ms. Natchaphat Dokmai	Secretarial staff Tel : 02-218-7415 e-mail : Natchaphat.D@chula.ac.th

◆ **Research area**

The research area covers various topics related to social policy and policy needs on determinants and consequences of international migration. This includes many significant issues, such as citizenship, ethnicity, labour market and labour migration, migration system, education and migration, gender and migration, children and women migrants, integration and migration, health and migration, refugees, human trafficking, environmental change and sustainable development, transnationalisation and globalization etc. Research on migration issues is the key topics of the Asian Research Center for Migration. Our aims are to develop knowledge, tools, indicators and databases to support the national and regional policies making regarding human rights, human security, social welfare, social cohesion, and the resolution against diverse forms of vulnerabilities, exploitations and discrimination. Our wide scope of research shows our extensive network with other research organizations and migration institution.



◆ Visiting fellows

◆ Name	Dr. Kate Coddington
Research Title:	Center for Border Research in the Geography, Department of Durham University, UK
Period:	01/06/15 – 30/08/15
Host:	Asian Research Center for Migration, Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University
◆ Name	Professor Dr. Than Dam Troung
Research Title:	Professor Specializing on Gender, Human Security Studies As An Interdisciplinary Field in Women's Studies at International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Erasmus University Rotterdam. The Netherlands
Period:	01/07/15 – 30/09/15
Host:	Asian Research Center for Migration, Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University
◆ Name	Professor Dr. Ezbietta Gozdziaik
Research Title:	Research Professor, Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology, Institute for the Study of International Migration, Georgetown University Walsh School of Foreign Service Washington, D.C., U.S.A
Period:	01/04/15 - 31/07/15
Host:	Asian Research Center for Migration, Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University

◆ Sources of funding

- Australia-Asia Program to Combat Trafficking in Persons (AAPTIP)
- Chula Global Network (CGN)
- Department of International Organization, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- International Labour Organization (ILO)
- International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- National Security Council
- Ratchadapisek Sompoch Research Grant Fund, Chulalongkorn University
- Thailand Research Fund
- The Rockefeller Foundation
- Thai Food Processors' Association
- United Nation Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Thailand
- United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

2.4.2 Chinese Studies Center

Background :

The study and dissemination of knowledge about China started at the Faculty of Political Science of Chulalongkorn University in consistency with the trend of increasing Asian Studies programs worldwide which resulted from the changes in the political regime in China, the Korean War and the Indo-China War. In 1967, the Institute of Asian Studies (IAS) was informally founded by the Faculty of Political Science at Chulalongkorn University. Since that time, IAS has conducted numerous research projects on issues related to China and disseminated the results to the general public. After official Thai-Chinese diplomatic relations were established and IAS was formally founded on May 10, 1985, the activities at the Institute relating to Chinese Studies have gradually increased. A highlight of the 20th anniversary celebration of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Kingdom of Thailand and the People's Republic of China was the establishment of the Chinese Studies Center (CSC) at Chulalongkorn University. Professor Amphol Phanchet was appointed as the first Director who accelerated the growth of the Chinese Studies center as an important focal point for research on China at IAS.

Objectives :

1. To promote research and training on Chinese studies in Thailand.
2. To disseminate information on Chinese studies such as language, culture, history, politics, economy and international relations through various activities including training programs, seminar, panel discussion, publications and website.
3. To set up a qualified database of Chinese studies for public and private organizations.
4. To promote better understanding among Thai and Chinese organizations.
5. To promote academic exchanges on Chinese studies worldwide.

Administrative :

CSC is a research unit under the Institute of Asian Studies (IAS), Chulalongkorn University. The director of the IAS appoints the director of CSC, and is the advisor of CSC *ex officio*. The director of CSC is the chairman of the board. The board duty is on project management and finance. Monthly meeting is held to pursue their works. Steering committees of CSC are those from high-rank officials in Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Commerce, Board of Investment, private sectors and scholars.

Moreover, CSC has a number of consultants and contributors who provide advice timely and may willingly join monthly meeting.

Academic Services :

1. Organizing of seminar on issues related to current situation in China.
2. Organizing of seminars, workshops and conferences concerning Chinese affairs or the relations between Thailand and China.
3. To provide information and up-to-date news related to China through website.
4. Publication of the "Chinese Studies Center Newsletter" quarterly in Thai. To disseminate information on Chinese studies and academic activities.
5. Publication of the Center's research papers and other special publications with academic objectives.

♦ **Head of Centre:** Assistant Professor Vorasakdi Mahatdhanobol, Acting Director of Chinese Studies Center

♦ **List of Research Centers**

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3.		Ms. Ketsarin Sansuk	Responsibility : Secretarial staff Tel: 02-2187416 e-mail : Kedjo_oj@hotmail.com

♦ **Research area**

Research on Chinese Studies, such as, politics and government, international relations, economy, language, culture and history.

♦ **Visiting fellows**

Name: Yu Haiqiu

Research Title: A comparative study on urban minority rural labor force employment between Thailand and Yunnan of China

Period: 1/12/2014 – 30/11/2015

Host: Chinese Studies Center

♦ **Source of funding**

- Chulalongkorn University
- Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited
- Office of the Education Council



2.4.3 Mekong Studies Center

Background :

The Mekong Studies Center was established under the Institute of Asian Studies (IAS) of Chulalongkorn University with a grant from the Ratchadapisak Sompoch fund in 2002 in order to conduct a research on the countries of the Mekong subregion and to disseminate the acquired knowledge to the general public. In the early period, it was a research unit of IAS and was later established as a Center of Excellence in December of 2009.

The aim of Mekong Studies Center is to carry out research regarding issues in countries of the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) - Myanmar, Thailand, Lao PDR, Cambodia, Vietnam and Southern China, and to disseminate the acquired knowledge. The Center focuses on using the Area Studies methodology, which attempts to explain changes from the internal point of view of each country in order to understand the dynamics of those changes thoroughly and accurately.

In addition, changes are also viewed in the sub-regional aspect. All the countries in the GMS are geographically, socially and culturally close and they share commonalities and similarities in their development experiences. Their connectivity, including physical, institutional and people-to-people, has also increased significantly these days. All of the above factors are contributing to the increase of the sub-regional integration and creation of mutual benefits.


On regular basis, the Center organizes academic seminars, providing consultation to both public and private sectors, as well as participating in the establishment of key national policies.

Objectives :

1. To conduct academic studies on topics related to the Greater Mekong Sub-Region, which is evolving as part of the ASEAN Community.
2. To provide a source of reference, give consultation and build understanding for the public and private sectors on topics related to the Greater Mekong Sub-Region.
3. To develop a network of academic cooperation at the national and international levels.

♦ **Head of Centre:** Mr. Ukrist Pathmanand

♦ **List of Research Centers**

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3.		Mr. Adisorn Semyam	<p>Area of specialization: Laos; politics, economics and society Tel. : 02-218-7468 E-mail : Adisorn.S@chula.ac.th</p>
4.		Mr. Nattapon Tantragoonsab	<p>Area of specialization: Myanmar and the Mekong; especially in the social, cultural and economic investment. Tel. : 02-218-7468 E-mail : nuttonir@gmail.com, Nattapon.T@chula.ac.th</p>
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7.		Ms. Pasawan Sir-on	<p>Secretarial staff Tel : 02-218-7461 e-mail : Pasawan.S@chula.ac.th, pasawan07@gmail.com</p>

♦ **Research area**

Research activities cover wide range of issues such as political situation, socio economic status, relations between Myanmar, Thailand, Lao PDR, Cambodia, Vietnam and Southern China and dealing between the Greater Mekong Sub-Region (GMS) and countries outside the GMS.

♦ **Source of funding**

- Chulalongkorn University
- Thai Health Promotion Foundation
- National Research Council of Thailand
- The Thailand Research Fund
- PTT Public Company Limited
- CSEAS, Kyoto University
- IRASEC



2.4.4 Muslim Studies Center

Background:



The Muslim Studies Center was established in 2004 as a center under the Institute of Asian Studies to conduct research on Muslim World and Muslim affairs. In January, 2005, The Muslim Studies, Center became a Research Unit under Chulalongkorn University. Its mission is to fundamentally conduct research and disseminate academic knowledge about Muslims in various aspects. Through an integrated and a multi-disciplinary approaches, the Center is striving for establishing genuine understanding about the relationship between the Muslim World and Thailand. Various dimensions of the relationship are closely examined including economic, socio-cultural, religion, security, political, educational, and historical. As a consequence of its commitment, the Muslim Studies Center has been promoted to be a “Center of Excellence” (CE) in January 1, 2012.

Objectives:

1. To comprehensively, profoundly and systematically conduct research and produce academic work on Muslim studies on different dimensions, by means of multi-disciplinary approach;
2. To be a source of academic reference on the Muslim World and a consultant for government sector, private sector, and the general public
3. To establish domestic and international networks of academic cooperation in several aspects, as well as a network of cooperation at the regional level of Muslim World.

♦ **Head of Centre:** Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sunait Chutintaranond

♦ **List of Researchers**

		Name	Expertise
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		Name	Expertise
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4.		Ms. Jittima Kimsuksri	Area of specialization: Brunei/Issues related to Halal Tel. : 02-218-7412 E-mail : anntima55@hotmail.com, Jittima.K@chula.ac.th
5.		Mr. Supon Banddidkittisakul	Secretarial staff Tel. : 02-218-7412 E-mail: Supon_b@hotmail.com

♦ **Research area**

Middle East, Muslim World, Thailand, Singapore, and Brunei with regard to a wide range of issues, such as, security, socio-cultural, economic, Halal, and etc.

♦ **Source of funding**

1. Internal Security Operations Command
2. Crown Property Bureau Foundation
3. PTT Public Company Limited
4. The Thailand Research Fund (TRF)
5. The Halal Science Center




2.4.5 Japanese-ASEAN Studies Program

At Chulalongkorn University, Japanese Studies was founded twenty years ago with the support of the Embassy of Japan. Initially, it has continuously been offering workshop on Japanese studies for secondary school teachers countrywide. The workshop was to offer updated information on Japanese society to school teachers who were the source of knowledge in their communities. Until recently does IAS promote a research function of the Japanese studies and seek cooperation amongst academic departments, research centers at Chulalongkorn University and other universities, including partnership from the private sector and government organizations.

Due to the current regional development in term of international relations, ASEAN community inserted strong impact on Japanese studies in the region. In order to establish a comprehensive knowledge about Japan, Thailand and the region, it means more comprehensive understanding of ASEAN countries being integrated to that of Japan. Therefore, this year the former Japanese studies program extends its activities to cover Japan and ASEAN studies. The Program continue to educate people, conducting research and organize academic events. This includes promoting coordination both within the university's research environment and between research institutions elsewhere. These coordination efforts involve researchers on Japanese issues both in Thailand and throughout the Asian region in order to promote greater harmony and understanding between the various parties involved.

♦ **Head of Centre:** Dr. Saikaew Thipakorn

♦ **Researcher**

		Name	Expertise
1.		Dr. Saikaew Thipakorn	Area of specialization: Japanese political and international affairs with emphasis on relationship with Thailand. Japan's Foreign aid Tel : 02-218-7466 e-mail : Saikaew.T@chula.ac.th

♦ **Research area**




Japanese government, politics and international relations.
Japan-Thailand relations, cultural diplomacy

♦ **Source of funding**

1. Thailand Research Fund
2. Japan Foundation
3. Embassy of Japan

2.4.6 Country / Region-based Research Group

◆ List of Researchers

		Name	Expertise
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3.		Ms. Supaphan Tangtrongpairoj	Area of specialization: Indonesian affairs and ASEAN Tel : 02-218-7468 e-mail : supaphan.k@chula.ac.th, supaphan.t@gmail.com

Ms Chpa Chittpratoom

Ongoing projects

1) Malaysia -Thailand Relations under Najib Tun Razak and Gen.Prayuth Chan-O-Cha

- a. **Researcher:** Chpa Chittpratoom
- b. **Source of Funding:** Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University
- c. **Research Objective:** The internal and external factors that affect the Malaysian Policy

Ms. Kanokphan U-sha

Completed Research Projects

1. The Study of People Participation in the Production of Solid Fuel Tablet from sugarcane shoots and leaves.

- a. **Researcher** : Ms. Kanokphan U-sha
- b. **Source of Funding** : Thailand Research Fund (TRF)
- c. **Abstract** :

Thailand currently has more than 1.6 million hectares of sugarcane per year and has more than 100 million tons of sugarcane per year to feed 52 sugar factories to produce sugar. By-products from the production of sugar are molasses, bagasse and fiber filter cake can be the raw material for the production of ethanol, biomass power plant and organic fertilizer plant adding value to the country hundreds of millions of baht per year.

Problem that affects the sugar industry is the sugarcane cutting method. The currently method is burn sugarcane fields resulting in loss of sugar quality and heightening of production costs. This method sends serious impact on the environment in the form of air pollution. To solve the problem, sugarcane shoots and leaves should be used profitably. This research focused on producing biomass pellets, from sugarcane shoots and leaves, to be used as renewable energy.

This research project built 2 movable machines for the production of biomass pellets. In term of technical and economic aspects, the biomass pellets could replace fossil fuel. However the supply of this renewable energy, including quality and price must be considered. This research tried to create network of 4 communities in Kanchanaburi, Supan Buri, Uthai Thani and Nakhon Sawan provinces in order to solve the supply issue.

In addition, the research made policy recommendations to the government and private sector in support of the expansion of the usages of agricultural waste, such as, sugarcane shoots and leaves, This also strengthens sustainable community based on the sufficiency economy philosophy.

Ongoing Project 2558-2559

1. Ethnic-Identity of Indian Community in Thailand : Social and Cultural changes under Globalization

- a. **Researcher** : Ms. Kanokphan U-sha
Dr. Sawut Aree
Mr. Kittipong Boonkerd
- b. **Source of Funding** : Grant for Potential Research Cluster, 2558
- c. **Period of time** : April 2558 - May 2559

d. **Research Objective** : This research aims to achieve greater understanding of Indian community in Thailand. Its objectives are as follows.

- Studying general conditions, history, and socio-cultural aspects of Indian community consisting of Indian-Thais and Indians living in Thailand, focusing on those in the Bangkok area
- Examining the conservation of Indian identity in Thai society despite the socio-cultural transition caused by globalization

2. ASEAN's Morality : Voluntarism in the Mainland Countries Case Studies of Thailand, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam and Cambodia

- a. **Researcher** : Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nualnoi Treerat
Ms. Kanokphan U-sha
Dr. Premjai Vungsiriphisal
Dr. Dares Chusri
Mr. Pakorn Lertstienchai
Mr. Adisorn Semyaem
Mr. Supalak Ganjanakhundee
- b. **Source of Funding** : Moral Promotion Center (Public Organization)
- c. **Period of time** : August 2015 – January 2016
- d. **Research Objectives** :
 1. present ASEAN voluntarism in three focal points: meanings; activities and processes for nurturing voluntarism among civil society; and structural factors (including policies, laws, procedures and also obstacles)
 2. proposes some recommendations for further policy process and implementation.

“ASEAN's Morality: Voluntarism in the Mainland Countries Case Studies of Thailand, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam and Cambodia” is a research project, constructed by collecting opinions from various key informants and agencies concerning with the issue. Here, voluntarism is considered as a kind of universal and concrete goodness, which can build a caring and sharing society for ASEAN. Accordingly, World Giving Index, proposed by Charity Aid Foundation, shows that ASEAN societies have a significant aspect of voluntarism. This research, therefore, paves the way for ASEAN countries to develop voluntarism into a common issue, and also bring about policy recommendations and implementations.

3. Analysis of Factors Affecting Financial Status of Service Division, Office of Permanent Secretary Ministry of Public Health

- a. **Researcher** : Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nualnoi Treerat
Asst. Prof. Dr. Pavika Sriratanaban
Asst. Prof. Dr. Orapan Khongmalai
Dr. Nopphol Witvorapong
Ms. Kanokphan U-sha
Miss. Tanya Vieira
- b. **Source of Funding** : National Health Security Office (NHSO)
- c. **Period of time** : August 2015 – February 2016

d. Research Objective:

- 1) To analyze the cause of Service Division's income deficiency through examination of the system, financial arrangement of National Health Security of Office, hospitals' management, and environment of Service Division itself
- 2) To analyze factors that may affect effectiveness of works carried by Service Division
- 3) To give recommendation in order to facilitate all participants co-ordination.

Ms. Supaphan Tangtrongpairoj

Research area : ASEAN Studies

Ongoing projects 2015-2016

1) Managing Border Provinces after ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community in 2015 : In Case of the Group of Nakornchaiburin Provinces

- a. **Researcher :** 1. Supaphan Tangtrongpairoj
2. Nuttapot Yuenyong
3. Waranya Jitpong
- b. **Source of Funding :** National Budget
- c. **Research Objective :**
 - 1) To study ASEAN characters elements Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC)
 - 2) To build an ASCC understanding to local people and governmental officers
 - 3) To analyze the impacts of ASEAN beyond 2015 towards the area of study
 - 4) To propose preparatory measures for potential impacts in the future

Cooperation among ASEAN members, based on the principle of respect in territorial integrity, sovereignty, non-intervention and peaceful co-existence, has led to peace and stability of the region. During its inception period, external factors, such as, communist intervention and global economic downturn, instigated the cooperation among ASEAN members. In times, the members themselves, realized the strength and benefit of the emerged bargaining power. This mutual trust among members promoted peace and stability which eventually led to economic development of each country.

However, conflicts, among ASEAN member are still the challenge of ASEAN unity. Member countries must, together nurture the security environment, and prevent conflict among themselves as it could send impact to other aspects of cooperation.

III. Organisational Performances

3.1 Financial Report

As a public university, IAS receives allocations from both national and university budgets. However, these have proved insufficient for IAS to effectively carry out the expanding scope of its activities. Therefore, other sources of funding are solicited from international and domestic sources in the form of research grants, support for various components of IAS programs, sponsorship of seminars and others. Their supports are greatly appreciated.

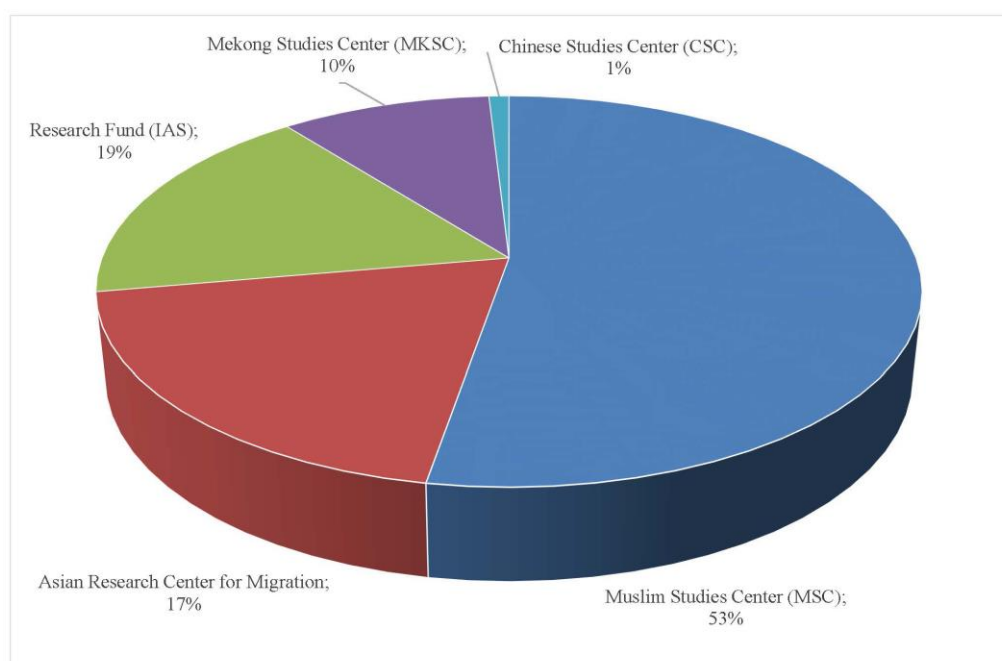
3.1.1 Annual Government allocation and Institute of Asian Studies Fund



3.1.2 Research Fund



3.1.3 Research



◆ Funders

- ◆ International Labour Organization
- ◆ Australia-Asia Program (AAPTIP) ICF International
- ◆ Institute for the Study of International Migration, Georgetown University -USA
- ◆ The International Organization for Migration
- ◆ Nanmeebooks Publication Company Limited
- ◆ PTT Public Company Limited
- ◆ Crown Property Bureau Foundation
- ◆ Internal Security Operations Command
- ◆ Bureau of the Budget
- ◆ Department of Mental Health, Ministry of Public Health
- ◆ Office of the National Security Council
- ◆ Tourism Authority of Thailand
- ◆ Office of the Education Council
- ◆ Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- ◆ National Health Security Office (NHSO), Thailand
- ◆ Office of the Higher Education Commission
- ◆ The Halal Science Center Chulalongkorn University

IV. Accomplishments

4.1 Completed research projects

♦ Asian Research Center for Migration

1) A Baseline Assessment of the Utilization of Reproductive Health and Gender-Based Violence Services for Displaced Persons from Myanmar in the Temporary Shelters in Thailand

a. Researcher: Premjai Vungsiriphisal/Dares Chusri

b. Source of Funding: UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund

c. Abstract: The finding of the research survey of 300 female respondents in Temporary Shelters for displaced persons from Myanmar in Tak and Mae Hong Son provinces found that the statistical data of transmitted disease of HIV infection in displaced persons has been rather lower than the previous year and probably has scaled down than the existing HIV prevalence rate. Because the unmarried respondents have no perception on the risks of transmission and most of them have never paid attention to access to the health service of blood testing. Their lacks of knowledge, perception and attitude in reproductive health accessibility have caused the risks of unintended pregnancy and transmitted sexually diseases. The knowledge in condom use and HIV prevalence is in low percentage. The percentage of 48.4 of female respondent in birth control has reflected the institutional capacity in accessibility of family planning services in free of charge. The favorable methods or devices for prevention of pregnancy amongst the most respondents have been oral contraceptive pill and injection of the hormone. The persuasion of the wife to the husband for the suggestion of condom use has not been successful.

The cultural rule and norm has been crucial factor in prohibiting in the public and family discussion toward the sexual relations, female expression, the young generation in secondary school has learnt indirectly on the sexual relation particularly in the condom use for HIV/AIDs prevention. But the demonstration of how to use the condom has not been allowed due to the policy of Commission of Women Organization. The demand of data accessibility on family planning,, birth control, condom use, HIV/AIDs prevention and transmitted sexually diseases has demonstrated the high percentage amongst the teenagers and single population. The restriction of cultural perception from the Camp Committee and the Karen Women Organization has influenced over the sex attitude. The unprotected pregnancy and infection of transmitted sexually diseases have still significantly been major problem.

Related activities The research activities of the project supported the achievement of three main objectives:

1. To evaluate the accessibility, coverage and quality of the current systems for delivery of Reproductive Health (RH) and Gender Based Violence (GBV) services in the intervention areas

2. To assess the knowledge, attitudes and practices of beneficiaries related to RH and GBV services in the intervention areas

3. Publication and distribution of the finalized research report in both English and Thai languages.

2. Assessing Potential Changes in the Migration Patterns of Myanmar Migrants and Its Impacts on Thailand

a. Researcher: International Organization for Migration (IOM) research team and ARCM research team

b. Source of Funding: International Organization for Migration (IOM)

c. Abstract:

While a future constraint in the supply of migrant workers from Myanmar may prove to be a challenge for Thailand, the recommended strategy is to provide migrants with the opportunity for documentation and to have decent wages and working conditions to make their migration experiences more positive and increase their willingness to be employed in Thailand. Taking into consideration the expected increases in the labour demand in both Thailand and Myanmar in the coming years, it is predicted that the job sectors to receive the greatest impact from their inability to fill their labour needs are those which currently pay migrants lower wages. Previously, Thai workers in these sectors were replaced by new immigrants. In the future, with an increase in the demand for labour in both countries, these sectors would encounter difficulties in finding workers at the level of income they presently offer. At this point in time, it is difficult to think of any other practical options for these employment sectors than raising the levels of income for migrants so that they can retain a sufficient migrant labour force necessary for operating their businesses. How soon these sectors will be forced to raise wages really depends on the increase in the demand for labour in other parts of Thailand and Myanmar, and how the market wage levels for migrants in Thailand will increase. These are all important factors to consider by individual business owners, industry associations and the Royal Thai Government in facing and managing the changes that are sure to come.

3. The Impact of International Migration in ASEAN Countries on Security Problem

a. Researcher: ARCM Research Team

b. Source of Funding: National Security Council

c. Abstract:

The research aims to study the regular and irregular international migration and their impacts on traditional and non-traditional securities both before and after the integration of ASEAN Community. The research determined to propose to policy makers 1) same institutional arrangement as part of regional cooperation 2) strategies on the current issues on immigration control 3) the improvement of migration initiatives and bilateral agreements and legislations. The concept of traditional security and non-traditional security along with the concept on international migration were applied. The sample includes migrant workers from Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, Malaysia and Vietnam working in five sectors – fishing, agriculture, construction, domestic working and services. The recommendations highlight the requirement of regularization of migrant workers, integration of relevant agencies for effective migration management system, legislation improvement and restriction in law enforcement, updating data source on labour migration, network strengthening with the local communities of Thai and migrants particularly at the border, extension of knowledge on AEC to the people in general.

♦ Chinese Studies Center

1) The Diplomatic Discourse of East Asian Super Power: China

- a. **Project Director:** Assoc. Prof. Dr.Patchanee Tangyeunyong
- b. **Researcher:** Assoc. Prof. Dr.Patchanee Tangyeunyong
- c. **Abstract:**

This research is the study of Chinese diplomatic discourse building process. By applying textual analysis techniques on content of the speech of Xi Jinping, the President of the People's Republic of China. The speeches were taken from Minister of Foreign Affairs official website since March 2013 (the appointment date) until July 2014, totally 15 speeches. Language is not only a tool used to describes the world, it the world, initiates ideas and creates symbols. As the so-called shifting from West to East, while China is an important collaborative and strategic partner. Thailand should have full understanding of China. This will render great benefit to Thailand in adjusting its policy in response to the changing world order.

2) Miscellaneous Knowledge of China Foreign Affairs

- a. **Project Director:** Orrasa Rattana-amornpirom
- b. **Researcher:** Orrasa Rattana-amornpirom
- c. **Research Assistants:** Wannarat Thahong
Sireethon Kowitveeratham
- d. **Abstract:**

This research is the analysis, and explanation of Chinese foreign policy strategy and concept from past to present, especially from China's perspective on international problem solving and relations. It is manual to enhance the understanding of concept, theory of China's foreign policy strategy. The research helps promote closer relationship between Thailand and China and preparing Thailand for ASEAN community and integration of East Asia.

♦ Mekong Studies Center

1) Connectivity in Upper Greater Mekong Subregion: Lesson to ASEAN Community

a. **Researchers:** Nattapon Tantrakoonsab
Khanidtha Kanthavichai
Vinissa Ujgin
Natnicha Tuangvirutkorn
Wannarat Thahong

b. **Source of Funding :** Chula Unisearch, Chulalongkorn University

c. **Abstract :**

The Upper GMS has long been the area of cross-border activities. The research concluded that ASEAN connectivities caused shifts in economic and social landscape: 1) Mobilization of labor for economic purpose. 2) The decline of ethnicity network 3) The rise of transnational production network and 4) The state's intervention to create the transnational production network. Besides, the crucial change is that there has been transformation of production network from the pre- nation-state network to the nation-state network, the transformation to transnational network.

d. **Related activities**

Summited 5 papers under the panel titled “The New Characteristics of Upper Mekong Sub-region toward the ASEAN Community” at the International Conference of ISEAS/BUFS, 2016 at Korea.



2) China's Influence in ASEAN: A case study of the Greater Mekong Subregion Country

a. **Researchers:** Ukrist Pathmanand
Asst. Prof. Dr. Theera Nuchpiam
Dr. Thanyathip Sripana
Adisorn Semyam
Watcharin Yongsiri
Nattapon Tantrakoonsab
Wannarat Thahong

b. **Source of Funding :** Chula Unisearch, Chulalongkorn University

c. Abstract :

This research shows that The Greater Mekong Subregion is important to China in two aspects. One is the economic aspect in which China has the upper hand as GMS countries depend on Chinese trade and investment and not vice versa. However, on the aspect of non-traditional security or the non-economic aspect, GMS is highly significant as the main route connecting China to South and Southeast Asia. It is the main transportation route of energy to the western region of China and the provider of such natural resources as copper, iron ores, tin and foods to China. GMS countries' political policies and support are vital to China in the ongoing conflicts in the South China Sea. They also provide a policy base for China's involvement and promotion of international relations among ASEAN member states.

Research Objectives:

1. To study China's policy towards countries in the greater Mekong subregion.
2. To study the foreign policy of each country in the greater Mekong subregion towards China, namely Thailand, Myanmar, Lao PDR, Cambodia and Vietnam.
3. To study China's economic and social roles in the Greater Mekong subregion at both state and people level.
4. To study the impacts emerging from the relationship between China and countries in the greater Mekong subregion at both state and people level.
5. To synthesize the knowledge obtained in order to provide concrete policy recommendations regarding Thailand's roles amid this dynamic region under the China factor.

d. Related activities

International seminar on China's role in Mainland ASEAN on August 13th, 2015 at Dipak C. Jain hall, SASA International House, Chulalongkorn University



3) The Study of Basic Guidelines on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Implementation in the Targeted ASEAN Countries for Petroleum Authority of Thailand (PTT) Public Company Limited

a. **Researchers :** Ukrist Pathmanand
Adisorn Semyam
Dollaya Tiantong
Nuttapot Yuenyong
Jittima Kimsuksri
Vinissa Ujjin
Anuk Pitakthanin

b. **Source of Funding:** Petroleum Authority of Thailand Public Company Limited (PTT)

c. **Research Objectives:**

1. To study political, economic, legal, CSR policy, social and cultural aspects of the targeted ASEAN countries, namely, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Brunei, The Philippines. Singapore and Cambodia. The study focused mainly on sensitive issues that could affect CSR implementation.

2. To provide policy recommendations to the PTT Public Company Limited regarding CSR policy in the targeted countries.



4) Alcohol Industry in the ASEAN Countries and Its Impacts on Thailand

a. **Researchers :** Ukrist Pathmanand

Adisorn Semyam

Nattapon Tantragoonsab

Vinissa Ujjin

Anuk Pitakthanin

b. **Source of Funding :** Thai Health Promotion Foundation

c. **Research Objectives:**

1. To study policy and regulations regarding control of alcohol consumption among ASEAN countries.

2. To study current policy and policy direction of ASEAN countries regarding alcohol production and its possible impacts to Thailand.

3. To study the character investment in alcohol industry in ASEAN countries and its to Thailand.

d. **Research outcome :**

1. Publication : “Alcohol Industry in the ASEAN Countries and Its Impacts on Thailand” (Thai language version).

2. Seminar on Alcohol Industry in the ASEAN Countries and Its Impacts on Thailand on February 9th, 2016 at Chulalongkorn University.

◆ Muslim Studies Center

1. Role of Islam in Contributing the Construction of ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community

a. Researcher: Dr. Srawut Aree

b. Research Assistants:

c. Abstract:

The ASCC reflects ASEAN's social agenda that is focused on poverty eradication and human development. The ASCC is also to address the cultural and civilizational cohesion during the socio-economic changes which are taking place in ASEAN countries and consolidate the regional cultural unity (ASEAN, 2014). Ensuring the cooperation among diverse groups of people of ASEAN is vital which often dictates by the inspiration of specific religious and cultural norms and practices. Islam as the widely practiced religion in ASEAN inspires the success of ASCC. Since Islam dictates both the private and public life of its followers the research pertinently provides an analysis on the potentials of Islamic values and cultural practices in ASEAN countries to materialize the ASCC.

Since the integral focus of the ASCC is to realize the ASEAN community- it is important to link and assess whether the practical norms of Islam; such as direction for cooperation, coexistence, and dialogue; inspire the strategic objectives of ASCC Blueprint. Notably, Islamic norms have historically provided stability and progress in various ASEAN nations. Even in recent global turmoil Muslims in ASEAN countries have successfully guarded intra-faith coexistence. Islam provides common understanding of values to its' ethnically and nationality varied followers across ASEAN. Mostly Muslims are proactively participating in the construction of ASEAN Community irrespective of their citizenry in the Muslim majority or minority countries.

The research identifies that Islamic values are in-line with the necessary normative aspects required for the construction of ASCC. Islam dictates its members and inspires its non-members to ascertain the common ground for creating regional solidarity for caring and sharing society by designing and shaping various practical programs across ASEAN. The study emphasizes that the emergence of the unique ASEAN identity doesn't negate or contradict the cultural practices of Islam rather aids the process of building ASEAN Community. Thus the Islamic norms enhance the opportunity of human development, formation of ASEAN Identity, and emergence of common heritage of ASEAN.

2. The Study on " Building the History of Three Provinces along the Southern Border for Sustainable Coexistence: Systematic Knowledge Management for Thai Society and ASEAN Community in 2015* (3rd Year) (2014-2015)

a. Project Director: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sunait Chutintaranond

b. Researcher: Asst. Prof. Chuleeporn Virunha
Dollaya Tiantong
Nuttapot Yuenyong
Jittima Kimsuksri

c. Abstract:

From fiscal year 2012 to 2014, the Muslim Studies Center, the Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University was entrusted by the No. 5 Coordinating Center of the Internal Security Operations Command (ISOC) to produce a series of educational project on "Building the History of Three Provinces along the Southern Border for Sustainable Coexistence" with the objective to assemble and arrange a new series of knowledge from

research on the history of three southern provinces. The purposeless to establish knowledge and an intellectual medium that bring about mutual understanding among every sector.

The history, which was newly assembled and arranged, hardly reflects the righteousness of any party. It aims to raise readers' awareness of the nature of continuity and change, within the region which was the products of interaction and influence of politics economics, social and cultural factors.

Along the operation to generate the new series of knowledge, the Muslim Studies Center also carries out academic work to maximize benefits in various forms, particularly including the production of a complete academic textbook to be disseminated to every group in Thai society, a discussion to exchange opinions with scholars from the three southern provinces, an academic seminar with officers who deal with unrest arising in those provinces, an academic seminar to present research findings to the public, and translation of books into Malay and English language that can be utilized as essential reference.

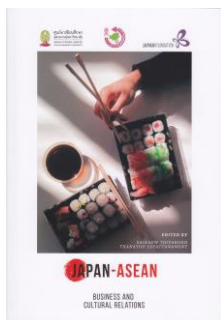
In order to disseminate the finding of this research, the Muslim Studies centre produced a complete academic textbook to be circulated to every sector of Thai society. The books were translated into Malay and English language. In addition, 3 seminars were arranged

- 1) A session of opinion exchange with scholars from the 3 southern provinces
- 2) An academic seminar with security-related officers of those provinces
- 3) An academic seminar to present research findings to the public

◆ Japanese-ASEAN Studies Program

1) Japan-ASEAN business and Cultural Relations

Edited by Saikaew Thipakorn, Thanayod Lopattananont



On September 2, 2015, The Japan-ASEAN Studies, Program, of the Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University arranged an international seminar on Japan-ASEAN Business and Cultural Relations at Maha Chulalongkorn Building. The seminar was supported by the ASEAN Studies Center of Chulalongkorn University and co-organized by the Japan Foundation, Bangkok. The organizers shared the point of view that the relationship between Japan and ASEAN had been changing. At this period of time, Japanese cultural influence could be seen all over the world, especially in Asia.

In this region, the ASEAN integration has shifted its political economic status in the global arena. Relationship between Japan and ASEAN has become closer not only in economic sector, but also at the people level. Japanese business sector is undeniably the proliferator of this business-related culture. This deeper relationship has happened as a result of business relations rather than the attempt of the governments. It is this people level of relationship that will take the primary character of Japan-ASEAN relation. This seminar was an attempt to understand the nature of this phenomenon.

4.2 Publications

The publication program of the Institute of Asian Studies is officially known as the “Publication Fund Program” because donors initially requested to promote the publication of academic works in the field of Asian Studies. Since its inception in 1986, the program has been financed using endowment funds and continued to produce academic publications on a non-profit basis.

The program has operated under the supervision of executive committee with objectives in supporting the Institute’s mission of disseminating Asian Studies knowledge to society and academic system. In order to achieve this goal, it has produced publications both in Thai and English versions in the form of research reports, journals, and books. These publications are academic output in the fields of economy, society, culture, politic, security, and international relations of countries in Asian region. They are efficient channels for researchers and academics both inside and outside the Institute to present their works to society.

1. Asian Review 2015 Vol. 28

Guest Editors: Supang Chantavanich
Ahsan Ullah
Min Ma



This issue of *Asian Review* contains a collection of research articles that examine current matters of cross-border migration in Southeast Asia. Human mobility in the region is driven by a diverse range of actors and occurs on a spectrum that covers voluntary migration on one end to forced displacement on the other.

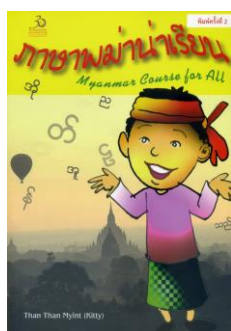
The authors of this issue bring into focus several types of mobility from various disciplinary backgrounds. The issue begins with a broad examination of the migration and development nexus in which Thanh-Dam Truong reflects on the interface between migration studies and border studies. Aungkana Kmonpetch, in her article

“Envisaging the Contemporary Thai Government’s Measures and Interventions toward a Refugee Repatriation Plan: Impacts on Durable Solutions and Protection Issues” illustrates how possible durable solutions can occur in the case of refugees along the Thai-Myanmar border. In this volume, different roles of social networks are examined by Kristine Stenbeck in “Reaching the Unreached: The role of civil society in providing access to education for migrant children from Myanmar in Thailand”. Research has also revealed the exploitation of various groups as they migrate to seek wage-earning opportunities. Two examples are offered in this volume by AKM Ahsan Ullah and Sustarum Thammaboosadee. AKM Ahsan Ullah in his article paints the picture of the exploitative conditions of migrant domestic workers from Southeast Asia in Egypt. Sustarum Thammaboosadee in his paper ‘Failure of Development under Neoliberalism: Involution of Migrant Towns in Thailand’ observes the failures of the neoliberal economy using case studies of three migrant towns in Thailand. Finally, this volume turns to efforts of labor-sending countries to stem the risks of labor migration. In “A Study of Skilled Labor Migration from the Philippines” Gamolporn Sonsri examines the policies and regulations enacted by the Filipino government over the span of 40 years to manage labor migration abroad.

Together, the articles in this volume offer contrasting perspectives of migration. The volume illustrates some of the ways in which informal and formal mechanisms work to protect the rights of migrants abroad. Meanwhile, they illuminate areas in which stronger devices are clearly needed to minimize the vulnerability of migrants abroad and to prevent their exploitation. With growing trends of cross-border migration and economic integration in the region, the governments and joint bodies in Southeast Asia must continue to work together to examine and address these issues for greater economic, political, and cultural prosperity in years to come.

2. Myanmar Course for All (2nd edition)

By Than Than Myint



The “Myanmar Course For All” is meant to be useful for all Myanmar (Burmese) language learners, no matter what their levels or objectives are. The vocabularies provided and used in dialogues, and the possible question and answer sections, have been carefully selected in order to help learners prepare themselves for real life situations and perspectives in Myanmar. As this short course book is intended to improve oral fluency, there is not much emphasis given on Myanmar grammar and its rules. Nevertheless, the book provides learners with an understanding of the basic grammatical structure of the language, within the context. The lessons used in the “Myanmar Course For All” will help learners to be fairly equipped, with some knowledge of the Myanmar (Burmese) language so that learners may feel prepared to use their language skills when the need arises.

V. Ongoing projects

♦ Asian Research Center for Migration

1. The Trafficking Victim's Experience With and In the Criminal Justice System (November 2014 - July 2015)

a. Research Team: ARCM Research Team

b. Source of Funding: ICF International/AAPTIP (Australia-Asia Program to Combat Trafficking)

c. Research Objectives:

1. To study the experiences and perception of trafficking victims in criminal justice system in each phases of legal process of identification, investigation, prosecution, adjudication and compensation in which the protection victims need once they have been identified and the support they need to be witnesses.

2. To learn from both legal practitioners, frontline officials and staffs at non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and shelters about the obstacles for trafficked victims to fully participate in the criminal justice system.

3. To increase understanding of victims' experiences of the criminal justice system and the extent to which that system is perceived by victims who meet, or fail to meet, their needs in Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar and Thailand.

4. To inform relevant agencies and ASEAN's partner organizations to develop strong and well informed prosecutorial and judicial responses to trafficked persons and the current ASEAN International Quality Standards on Victim Support and to revise appropriate adjustments to their legal frameworks, policies, and practices related to the criminal justice systems.

2. Newsletter Publishing Project on 'Thailand Anti-Trafficking Outlook' (March – May 2015)

a. Research Team: ARCM Research Team

b. Source of Funding:

c. Research Objectives:

1. To collect an up-to-date evidence-based data on combatting and suppressing the human trafficking from various governmental and non-governmental agencies

2. To establish a reliable database on human trafficking both in Thai and English

3. To promote and campaign for dissemination of good practices of relevant agencies in suppression of human trafficking

3. The Impact of Domestic Migration on Social Development

a. Research Team: ARCM Research Team

b. Source of Funding: Chulalongkorn University

c. Research Objectives:

1. To study the pattern of relocation of migrants from the countryside into Bangkok and perimeter.
2. To explore their lifestyle, social networks and political perception.
3. To study on public services and social welfare provided for migrants.

4. The Situation of Social Security in Protecting the Migrant Workers in Urban Livelihood Environment

a. Research Team: Premjai Vungsiripaisal and ARCM Research Team

b. Source of Funding: Kanchanabhisek Foundation, Chulalongkorn University

c. Research Objectives:

1. To analyze the situation of migrant workers' social protection in the urban livelihood environment
2. To explore analytically the disadvantages of social security coverage and mechanism influencing to the migrant workers' welfare schemes and basic rights.
3. To discuss various approaches for extension and improvement of the policy implementation on well-managed capacity for social security to protect migrant workers' rights and their families.

5. Politics, Governance, Experiences and Responses to Flooding from the Locals' and Migrants' Perspectives in ASEAN

a. Research Team: Researchers Representing Each ASEAN Countries

b. Source of Funding: Rockefeller Foundation

c. Research Objectives:

1. Creation of a flooding and migration knowledge-sharing network amongst ASEAN countries, which will contribute to scholarship on the broader theme of environmental change and migration
2. Creation of a conceptual framework on flooding and migration in ASEAN that can inform policy making
3. Production of high-quality research of relevant case studies, and comparative analysis on flooding and migration in ASEAN.
4. Production of a high-quality book to disseminate the case studies, synthesis analysis and policy recommendations
5. Production of a policy brief, circulating the key findings of the research project. The book and policy brief will be launched at a high-profile event.

6. ASEAN Research Cluster: Emerging Critical Issues of the International Migration and the Impact to Thailand and ASEAN

- a. Research Team:** ARCM Researchers
- b. Source of Funding:** Ratchadabhisek-Sompoj Foundation
- c. Research Objectives:**

1. To produce the synthesis research article on various dimensions of international migration and border-crossing movement and its impact to the policy and strategy implication of Thailand and ASEAN on critical issues in dealing with the refugee/displaced person, human trafficking, labour exploitation in fishing sector and surveillance problem, vulnerability and protection problem in migrant children etc.

2. To publish the research article in the International Academic Journal or Publication i.e. Springer's EDSP Working Paper – Environment, Development, Sustainable Peace Initiative; Asian and Pacific Migration Journal (APMJ) etc.

7. Policy Implication on Employment of Labour Migrants: Integration to ASEAN Community

- a. Research Team:** Waranya Jitpong
Podsakorn Yothinneerarat
- b. Source of Funding:** Thailand Research Fund
- c. Research Objectives:**

1. To examine economic and political influences at national level to policy implication on unskilled labour migrants

2. To analyze the interaction and complementary of policies and measures on recruitment of unskilled labour migrants according to the MOUs Agreement

3. To push forward to improve the management of migration of unskilled labour migrants; immigration policy; protection of workers' rights; migration database i.e. registration, work permit system, returnee's information; and preparation process of labour migrants in tourist sector.

4. To develop recommendations leading to policy implementation for unskilled labour migration in ASEAN Community

8. Comparative Study on Prevention and Eradication of Human Trafficking in Response to TIP Report: Policies and Measures of Taiwan, US and Thailand

- a. Research Team:** Supang Chantavanich
Ratchada Jayagupta
Waranya Jitpong
- b. Source of Funding:** Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- c. Research Objectives:**

1. To study comparatively policies and practices on prevention and eradication of human trafficking of Taiwan, US and Thailand in terms of law enforcement, legislations and regulations, victim's protection, policy management on immigration law, institutional mechanism, and particularly collaboration with the US for strategies against human trafficking.

2. To examine all relevant issues on prevention and prosecution's measures on

human trafficking i.e. criminal justice system, victims' rights, partnership coordination etc. to apply for dealing with the existing problem.

3. To develop the recommendations to improve problems of anti-trafficking efforts through better implementation, networking and evaluation

9. Healthy Borders, Disease Prevalence and Pharmaceutical Practices in ASEAN

a. Research Team: Collaborative Project - Thai side: Supang Chantavanich, Niyada Kietying-Angsuree and Premjai Vungsiripaisal / **French side:** Audrey Buchaton, Laurent Pordié Mathieu Quet

b. Source of Funding: Office of Higher Education Commission (Thailand) / Priority Solidarity Fund "Mekong" and coordinated by the Research Institute for Asia Contemporary Southeast (IRASEC).

c. Research Objectives:

1. To collect data on existing (communicable) diseases and pharmaceutical needs in border areas of Thailand, Laos and Cambodia .
2. To examine pharmaceutical practices, both licit and illicit in the areas
3. To investigate the consequences/impacts of ASEAN Economic Cooperation (AEC) in 2015 on pharmaceutical flows and regulations, and transnational management of communicable diseases in the areas.

10. Assessing Potential Changes in the Migration Patterns of Lao PDR Migrants and Their Impacts on Thailand and Lao PDR

a. Research Team: ARCM Researchers

b. Source of Funding: International Organization for Migration (IOM)

c. Research Objectives:

1. To conduct an assessment of the potential change in migration patterns of Lao PDR migrants in Thailand.
2. To study the potential shifts in migration patterns of Lao labour migrants to Thailand, impacts of migration on Thailand and Lao PDR, and the linkages between migration pattern and development, particularly in the area of poverty reduction.
3. To provide recommendations from migration management perspectives of various stakeholders.



11. Management Policy on Thai Labour Migrants in Malaysia and South Korea

a. Research Team: ARCM Researchers

b. Source of Funding: Thailand Research Fund

c. Research Objectives:

1. To explore the situation of Thai Labour Migrants working in Malaysia and South Korea on the issues of employment, debt bondage, risks of vulnerability, including Thai migrant workers' protection and criminal justice system

2. To Study policy and practice for Thai migrant workers' rights who the role of Thai Labour Unions to administer the Thai returnees' experiences from working in aboard.

3. To encourage the network of Thai labour migrants working in communities of Malaysia and South Korea to leverage their potentials in occupational development and relieving poverty and promoting local development.

◆ Chinese Studies Center

1) Miscellaneous Knowledge on China's Politics

a. Researcher: Wiphawan Suntornjamorn

b. Source of funding: Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited

c. Research Objectives:

1. To publish a Thai language handbook on the People Republic of China government and communist party's policies.
2. To provide information on the PRC's political system and development of the People's Republic of China politics and government.
3. To disseminate the knowledge on the PRC's government, politics, and international affairs.

2) The Diplomatic Discourse of East Asian Superpower : Japan

a. Researcher: Assist. Prof. Dr.Voravudhi Chirasombutti

b. Source of funding: Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited

c. Research Objectives:

1. Analyze in Japan diplomatic discourse building process.
2. Study on language techniques through Japan diplomatic discourse building.
3. Analyze the hidden primary ideal of Japanese society in diplomatic discourse.

3) Improvement of Chinese Language Teaching in Thailand

a. Researchers: Wiphawan suntornjamorn
 Assoc. Prof. Dr.Naris Wasinanon
 Assist. Prof. Dr.Kanokporn Sriyanalug
 Dr.Puwakorn Chatbumrungsuk
 Dr.Hathai Sea-jia
 Kampol Piyasirikul

b. Source of funding: Office of the Education Council

c. Research Objectives:

1. To study the prevailing condition of Chinese language teaching in every level of education in Thailand.
2. To study the method of Chinese language teaching for international students for higher education in China.
3. To produce the best practice of case study of Chinese language teaching for international students for higher education in Beijing of China at least 1 university.
4. To make suggestion guideline for the development of Chinese language teaching in Thailand.

4) The Superpowers, ASEAN, and Thailand

a. Researcher: Assist. Prof. Dr.Natthanan Kunnamas,
Assist. Prof. Surat Horachaikul,
Kanlaya Chalernying,
Dr.Teewin Suputthikul,
Dr.Kasira Cheeppensook
Dr.Siripetch Trisanawadee,
Assist. Prof. Jittipat Poonkham

b. Source of funding: Cluster ASEAN, Chulalongkorn University

c. Research Objectives:

1. To study the development and current condition of international relations and ASEAN.
2. To clarify conditions that define international relations between the superpowers and ASEAN.
3. To present recommendations to policy makers regarding Thailand's position in relations with the superpowers.

◆ Mekong Studies Center

1) Political Change and Cultural Adjustment in Mainland Southeast Asia after the Cold War Era

a. Researchers : Assoc. Prof. Dr.Sunait Chutintaranond
Dr.Klairung Amratisha
Asst. Prof. Dr.Montira Rato
Ukrist Pathmanand
Adisorn Semyam
Nattapon Tantragoonsab

b. Source of Funding : The Thailand Research Fund

c. Research Objectives:

To draw a picture of political legitimacy both in terms of the source of power and the use of power from the point of view of people who participate in politics. Public participation in politics played a significant role in changing political pattern of the region after the Cold War.



2) From Chanthaburi to Kep: Southern Corridor and conectivities between Thailand and Cambodia

- a. **Researchers :** Watcharin Yongsiri
Vinissa Ujjin
Nattapon Tantragoonsab
- b. **Source of Funding :** Chulalongkorn University
- c. **Research Objectives:**

1. To study potential connectivity from Chanthaburi Province of Thailand to Kep Province of Cambodia.
2. To study the internal and external factors of Thailand and Cambodia regarding potential connecting corridor between Chanthaburi Provice and Kep Province.
3. To synthesize the knowledges in order to make policy suggestion about the development in the area from Chanthaburi province in Thailand to Kep province in Cambodia. It will be the framework for conducted the policy on relationship between Thailand and Cambodia.



♦ Muslim Studies Center

1. Dissemination of Information for Promotion of Investment : Muslim Market for Tourism

- a. Researcher:** Dr.Srawut Aree
- b. Research Assistants:** Nuttapot Yuenyong
Jittima Kimsuksri
- c. Research Funding :** The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT)
- d. Research Objectives:**

1.1 To study and gather data concerning tourist attractions, businesses, and services that support tourism industry among Muslim tourists all over ASEAN region.

(1) Study and analyze circumstances statistics, traveling behaviors, and expenditures, including domestic and international demand/supply in OIC countries (Organization of the Islamic Cooperation) for promotion of tourism.

(2) Examine strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, obstacles with SWOT analysis as well as benchmarking business efficiency of Thai Muslims tourism market against those of competitors.

(3) Provide information for business investments and opportunities on tourism among Muslim market.

(4) Explore and produced business directory in Thai that includes global positioning system (if any), details of businesses/goods/services for Muslim tourists from all over the world. These comprise:

- ♦ List of travel agents and websites regarding reservations for both domestic and international travel
- ♦ List of transportation service providers
- ♦ List of accommodation and hotel features
- ♦ List of restaurants and their capacity
- ♦ List of OTOP providers who are Muslim or whose products meet the Halal standard in key travel attractions, and list of cultural tourism community in travel attractions for Muslim tourists
- ♦ List of mosque, health centers, hospitals, and spa in the area of study.

1.2 To create a set of data for the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) for dissemination among business operators and relevant agencies.

2. Study of Potential of Halal Industry

- a. Researcher:** Dr.Srawut Aree
- b. Research Assistants:** -
- c. Research Funding :** The Halal Science Center, Chulalongkorn University
- d. Research Objectives:**

1. To study overall export potential of 6 Halal food industrial groups, registered under the Department of Industrial Works

2. To study the quality of Halal industrial groups via registered capitals, manufacturing machines and quantity of staffs

3. To compare the quality of factories with Halal certification with those without certification

3. Exploration of Attitude Held by Halal Business Operators

a. Researcher: Dr.Srawut Aree

b. Research Assistants: Nuttapot Yuenyong
Jittima Kimsuksri

c. Research Funding : The Halal Science Center, Chulalongkorn University

d. Research Objectives:

1. To study overall potential of Halal food exports of Thailand
2. To Analyze reasons that Halal operators seeking certification
3. To study business operators' expectation after obtaining Halal certification
4. To assess business operators' satisfaction towards agencies and staffs issuing Halal certification
5. To understand Halal business operators' needs with reference to supporting measures from the government and relevant divisions.

4. Distribution of Commemorative Books in Honor of His Majesty the King, "The Institution of Monarchy and Muslims in Thailand", year 1.

a. Project Director: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sunait Chutintaranond

b. Researcher: Dollaya Tiantong
Nuttapot Yuenyong
Jittima Kimsuksri

c. Research Funding : Internal Security Operations Command

d. Research Objectives:

1. To encourage realization – among Muslims, particularly, in Bangkok and the southern provinces namely Pattani, Yala, Narathiwat – of royal grace and bond between Thai monarchy as upholder of religions and supporter of Thai Muslims from the past to the present reign of His Majesty the King and the Queen.
2. To help the world community of Muslims understand royal duties and royal grace regarding Muslims in Thai society which have been carried by the monarchy as upholder of religions from the past to the present reign of His Majesty the King and the Queen.

VI. Seminar / Conference / Training

Conferences, Seminars, Training, Lectures, and Workshops 2015

No.	Date	Categories	Title	Host
1	January 27, 2015	Lecture	ASEAN and Southeast Asian Studies: Knowledge Gaps and Challenge for Universities by Prof. Dr. Maria Serena I. Diokno	Institute of Asian Studies supported by Chula Global Network
2	February 19, 2015	Seminar	Agenda Launch of Thailand Migration Report 2014	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM), Institute of Asian Studies supported by International Organization for Migration (IOM)
3	February 25, 2015	Seminar	Crisis and Changes in the Middle East with the World Economy	Muslim Studies Center, Institute of Asian Studies
4	February 26, 2015	Seminar	HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn and Developments in Neighboring Countries	Mekong Studies Center, Institute of Asian Studies
5	May 11, 2015	Seminar	Asian Studies: Challenges in the Next Decade	Institute of Asian Studies
6	May 15, 2015	Seminar	The Solutions of Thai Marine Fisheries to the Problem of Human Trafficking	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM), Institute of Asian Studies and Center for Peace and Conflict Studies supported by Foundation for Labour Rights Promotion Network
7	May 20, 2015	Seminar	Learn the Past and Look through the Future: The Revolution in the Reign of King Prajadhipok (Rama VII)	Institute of Asian Studies and Institute of Thai Studies supported by Prajadhipok-Rambhai Barni Foundation

No.	Date	Categories	Title	Host
8	May 21, 2015	Seminar	Rest in Peace: Religion, Medicine and the Rituals of Death in Thai Society	Institute of Asian Studies in cooperation with Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University
9	May 25-29, 2015	Training	Vietnamese Language and Culture (Basic)	Mekong Studies Center , Institute of Asian Studies supported by Department of Mental Health, Ministry of Public Health
10	May 26-27, 2015	Seminar	Historical and Cultural Ties to Thailand -India	Institute of Asian Studies in cooperation with Indian Studies Center, Faculty of Arts and API Fellowships Program supported by Chulalongkorn University
11	May 28, 2015	Lecture	China's Growth Model and Implications for ASEAN by Assoc.Prof.Dr. Andong Zhu	Institute of Asian Studies
12	June 5, 2015	Seminar	Succeed or Fail? Solutions of Thai Trafficking Problems to ASEAN	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies in cooperation with Center for Peace and Conflict Studies, Chulalongkorn University, Research Center for Peace Building, Mahidol University, Alliance Anti Traffic (AAT), Labour Rights Promotion Network (LPN), Human Rights and Development Foundation (HRDF) and etc. supported by Anti Human Trafficking Network (ATN)
13	June 16, 2015	Seminar	Writing History and Correcting Sources: the Building of a National Identity in the Sultanate of Brunei	Institute of Asian Studies and Research Institute on Contemporary Southeast Asia (IRASEC) supported by Chula Global Network

No.	Date	Categories	Title	Host
14	June 24, 2015	Conference	Sino-Thai Cooperation in the Context of the 'Belt and Road' Initiative and Integration of ASEAN	Institute of Asian Studies and Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University in cooperation with Royal Thai Consulate General in Kunming supported by Chula Global Network and Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences
15	June 30, 2015	Seminar	Asia and the Dynamic of Changes	Institute of Asian Studies
16	July 2, 2015	Lecture	Combating Human Trafficking in the United States: What can Thailand learn from the US approaches? by Dr. Elzbieta Gozdzia	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies
17	July 9-10, 2015	Seminar and Workshop	Research & Writing for Academic Publication by Dr. Elzbieta Gozdzia	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies
18	July 21-26, 2015	Training	Local Malay Language and Culture	Muslim Studies Center, Institute of Asian Studies supported by Department of Provincial Administration, Ministry of Interior
19	July 23, 2015	Lecture	Children and Adolescents Trafficking to the US: Reimagining Survivors by Dr. Elzbieta Gozdzia	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies
20	August 13, 2015	Seminar	China's Role in Mainland ASEAN	Institute of Asian Studies supported by ASEAN Studies Center

No.	Date	Categories	Title	Host
21	August 20, 2015	Lecture	A Global Perspective on Refugees and Asylum Seekers: How Forced Migration Trends in Europe and Australia can inform Thai-Policy-Making and Practical Experience by Dr. Kate Coddington	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies
22	August 20-21, 2015	Conference	Towards Seamless Connectivity: Transforming Multi-modal Transport System into Economic Corridors	Institute of Asian Studies and Network of East Asia Think-Tanks (NEAT) Working Group supported by Ministry of Foreign Affairs
23	August 25, 2015	Seminar	Turkish-Uyghur-China with Migrant Problems and the Solutions of Thailand	Institute of Asian Studies supported by European Studies Centre
24	August 31, 2015	Lecture	Power Structure in Myanmar by Dr.Nehginpao Kipgen	Institute of Asian Studies
25	September 2, 2015	Conference	Japan-ASEAN Business and Cultural Relations	Institute of Asian Studies supported by ASEAN Studies Center
26	September 21, 2015	Lecture	Labour Migration in the 21 st Century by Ms.Patraporn Smontarat and Dr.Thanh Dam Truong	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM) , Institute of Asian Studies
27	October 13, 2015	Workshop	Future Collaboration of ASEAN Studies	Institute of Asian Studies supported by Chula global Network and ASEAN Studies Center
28	November 3, 2015	Lecture	Globalization, Export-Led Growth and Inequality: The East Asian Story” by Dr. Mah Hui Lim,	Institute of Asian Studies

No.	Date	Categories	Title	Host
29	November 24, 2015	Seminar	Election, Hope and the Next Political Step: Keep an Eye on Myanmar Democratic Roads	Institute of Asian Studies
30	November 30, 2015	Seminar	Imperialism against International Terrorism: Crisis of the World Security from 9/11 Sabotage to Paris Tragedy	Institute of Asian Studies
31	December 17-18, 2015	Conference	New Paradigms for a Changing Migration Landscape	Asian Research Center for Migration (ARCM), Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University in cooperation with Center for ASEAN Studies, Thammasat University supported by Chula Global Network Chulalongkorn University, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and International Labour Organization (ILO)

VII. Human Resource Development

Towards an improvement and efficiency of its human resource and of work-related processes, the Institute of Asian Studies has continuously utilized some of the knowledge management tools to encourage exchange and transmission of knowledge amongst our staff. Throughout the year 2014, we provided three short training courses and a workshop essential for both the management of research project and office administration. They are as follows:-

1. “Use of Webmail System” 13 March 2015

To help staffs of Institute of Asian Studies understand how to make the best use of webmail for convenience and rapidity in communication

2. Knowledge Exchange

“Field Observation : Hanoi in the State of Modernity” by Dr. Thanyathip Sripana (January 2015)

“Urbanization in Asia” by Jorge Carrillo (March 2015)

3. “Knowledge Conveyance of Printing” 4 August 2015

Chulalongkorn Publishing House educated staffs of Institute of Asian Studies on ‘CU Eco Print’, or the printing process that is harmless of environment, to increase understanding as regards CU-Carbon Neutral which can sustain good environment.

4. “Management of Academic Services Supported by External Funds” September 2015

To improve performance of administrative staffs of Institute of Asian Studies in managing academic services supported by external funds so that they can make it with high efficiency and in a correct manner

VIII. Community Services

Beyond our mission of being a leader in the field of Asian Studies, the IAS intends to provide services to the general public in the form of community reach out. Throughout the year 2015, the IAS organized various kinds of activities for this purpose.

1. **Asia Corner.** The IAS arranged “Educational Materials for Asian Studies” on May 30, 2015 at Petchburi Province. Publications, educational materials and scholarship which were donations from the and its staff were given to Huay Sai Prachasan School in Amphur Cha-am, Petchburi Province.

2. Vietnamese Language Training

May 25th -29th, 2015, Mekong Studies Center, Institute of Asian Studies organized a Vietnamese language training session for 24 staffs of Department of Mental Health, Ministry of Public Health, with the aim of providing better understanding of language and culture of Vietnam as an important base for joining AEC (ASEAN Economic Community).

3. Malaya Language and Culture Learning

21st – 26th July, 2015, Muslim Studies, Center, Institute of Asian Studies organized a class of culture and Malaya language for 60 government officials in Pattani, Yala, Narathiwat, Songkhla, and Satul to help advance their language skills for communicating with the locals and shed light on the locals’ identity and lifestyle with the aim of creating mutual understanding for peaceful co-existence.

IX. Quality Assurance Report

Quality Assurance in Higher Education

The Institute of Asian Studies has been working since 2004 to ensure the university's quality assurance standard. CU-QA was the first quality assessment system developed and used by Chulalongkorn University. Later, in 2010, the Office of Higher Education Commission ordered that qualified educational institutions shall maintain their standard in accordance with the Ministerial Act on Rules and Procedures of Quality Assurance 2553.

In 20 October 2015, the IAS's performance was assessed by the Office of Higher Education Commission's quality audit committee in accordance with its six quality dimensions.

Dimension	Score	Meaning
1: Research	5.00	Exceptional
2: Academic services	4.00	Good
3: Administration and management	5.00	Exceptional
Total	4.80	Very good

The highly appraised result was due to the evidence that the IAS has managed to successfully establish the identity of being "provider of body of knowledge on Asian Studies". Throughout its history, the IAS, as a leading research institute has been serving the nation, produce both theoretical and practical knowledge essential for policy making and short-term as well as long-term problem solving. On the other hand, Realizing the need to integrate knowledge acquired from research, the IAS, in cooperation with other faculties and research institutes, offers 3 master's degree programs:

MA. in Human and Social Development,

MA. in Southeast Asian Studies,

MA. in Korean Studies.

These result in the IAS being recognized widely among academic circle as a leader in this area. Moreover, they provide us opportunities to strengthening research network and gaining trust from various institutions and funders.

Despite the achievement, we continue to strive for improvement. In so doing, we set our priority to nurturing and mentoring our young researchers by getting them involved in many kinds of research and academic experience with the hope to maintain the identity of the institute.

XI. Our Pride



Ukrist Pathmanand received an outstanding research award from Rachadapisesompoch Fund on “The Formulation of International Energy Strategy and Action Plans” on March 24, 2015.



Preamjai Vangsiripisal was awarded “Chula Distinguished Researcher” of 2014 The award was presented by Professor Dr. Pirom Kamolratanakul, Prisdent of Chulalongkorn University on March 24, 2015.