

DONATIONS TO AIT (May-June 2020)

Prof. Kazuo Yamamoto Agrees to support AIT towards a Named 12 credits Tuition and Two Semesters Registration Fee Master's Degree Scholarship

Prof. Kazuo Yamamoto, a former AIT Vice President for Administration and a former Professor at the Department of Energy, Environment, and Climate, School of Environment, Resources and Development has agreed to support AIT towards a 12 credits Tuition and two semesters registration fee Master's Degree Scholarship in the amount 232,000 Thai Baht. This scholarship will be for one student of any nationality (non-Japanese) enrolled in Environmental Engineering and Management (EEM), School of Environment, Resources and Development for August 2020 intake.

Prof. Yamamoto is currently the Audit & Supervisory Board Member (External), IDEA Consultants, Inc.; President, Water Reuse Promotion Center; Emeritus Professor, The University of Tokyo; Professor, Research and Development Initiative, Chuo University; and Visiting Professor, Kindai University.

AIT President Dr. Eden Woon expressed his appreciation and thanked Prof. Yamamoto for his support to the Institute.

Dr. Seni Karnchanawong (M. Eng. EE'82 & D. Eng. EE'89) Agrees to Support AIT's Environmental Engineering and Management (EEM) Laboratory

Dr. Seni Karnchanawong, an AIT alumnus who graduated Master of Engineering 1982 and Doctor of Engineering 1989 in Environmental Engineering has agreed to support AIT in the amount of THB 100,000 towards student research at Environmental Engineering and Management (EEM) Laboratory.

Dr. Seni is working as Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Chiang Mai University, Thailand. His field of specialization is Anaerobic Digestion of solid Waste; Wastewater Treatment by Anaerobic Process, i.e. UASB, Acidification and Water Reuse in Agriculture.

AIT President Dr. Eden Woon expressed his sincere thanks to Dr. Seni Karnchanawong for his support to the Institute. President Woon said: "Having good laboratory facilities a very important resource for students to conduct good research output". And we are always grateful to our alumni who remember their Alma Mater. Dr. Seni's contribution is deeply appreciated."

School of Engineering and Technology received donations towards Student Research

The School of Engineering and Technology received numerous donations from individual alumni and private sector to the following laboratories:

Computer Science and Information Management (CSIM):

Prof. Djoko Santoso, an AIT alumnus who graduated Master of Science 1982 in Computer Science, and also an inductee of AIT Hall of Fame in the first batch donated 95,567.76 Thai Baht.

Structural Engineering (STE):

1. Prof. Kam Tim Chau, an AIT alumnus who graduated Master of Engineering 1987 in Structural Engineering and also an inductee of AIT Hall of Fame in the second batch donated 200,000 Thai Baht.
2. Mr. Taweesak Triloga, an AIT alumnus who graduated Master of Engineering 1999 in Structural Engineering donated 100,000 Thai Baht.
3. Mr. Sathien Vongvichien, an AIT alumnus graduated Master of Engineering 1965 in Community & Regional Development donated 50,000 Thai Baht.
4. JWS Construction Co., Ltd. donated 150,000 Thai Baht.

Water Engineering and Management (WEM):

Mr. Khandaker Mesbah Uddin Ahmed, an AIT alumnus who graduated Master of Engineering 1978 in Water Resources Engineering donated 86,792 Thai Baht.

AIT President Dr. Eden Woon expressed his sincere thanks to Prof. Djoko Santoso, Prof. Kam Tim Chau, Mr. Taweesak Triloga, Mr. Sathien Vongvichien, Mr. Khandaker Mesbah Uddin Ahmed and JWS Construction Co., Ltd. for their support to the Institute.

President Woon said: "AIT students will be able to do their research using good laboratory facilities that will enhance their quality research output". And we are always grateful to our alumni who remember their Alma Mater. Their contributions is deeply appreciated."

Global Power Synergy Public Company Limited offers one Full Master's Scholarship to AIT

Global Power Synergy Public Company Limited (GPSC) will offer one full scholarship to a Master's student to pursue their education at the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) in the amount of 1.2 Million Thai Baht. GPSC strives and persists to be the main power and utility company of PTT Group. GPSC was established in January 10, 2013 through the amalgamation of PTT Utility Company Limited (PTTUT) and Independent Power (Thailand) Company Limited (IPT). Founded to be PTT Group's Power Flagship, GPSC operates in operating developing, and investing in power business domestically and internationally.

A formal signing of the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) by Mr. Chawalit Tippawanich, President and CEO of GPSC and Dr. Eden Y. Woon, President of AIT took place on 22 June 2020 at GPSC. This scholarship is for any nationality in the fields of Data Science and AI, School of Engineering & Technology (SET) or Energy, School of Environment, Resources and Development (SERD) and also offers opportunity for the recipient to get employment at GPSC after completing the studies at AIT.

Mr. Chawalit was delighted with this collaboration and stressed the fact that this will be the first important step for a further collaboration between GPSC and AIT. GPSC strives to be innovative not only in the power sector but also in the renewable energy. He said that this MoA will mark up a key collaboration amongst the PTT group and AIT.

President Woon thanked Mr. Chawalit and is grateful for this scholarship to help AIT. He also mentioned that since GPSC is also focusing on innovation, and this donation also matches what AIT is trying to do in its vision of I2E2S2. He explained: This particular donation brings several things together, namely, financial support, helping students, research and education, and relations with private sector. And finally, this relationships benefits both parties.

Also attending the signing ceremony from GPSC were, Mr. Laksanapreecha Krutkuntode, Vice President, Energy Disruptive Innovation, Ms. Narisa Tumma-Upakorn, Ms. Mantana Kunakorn, Ms. Anchana Tisadeekun, Human Resources Development and Mr. Somchai Klinsuwanmalee CSR Division. Representing AIT were Mr. Sanjeev Jayasinghe, Director of Advancement and Alumni Affairs, Ms. Sitahng Puttha, Office of Advancement and Alumni Affairs Officer.



Donations to Support AIT Smart Modified Classrooms for Hybrid Instruction

AIT received a large number of donations to support the Smart Modified Classroom (SMC) for delivering Hybrid Instruction in Fall Semester 2020 to both on-campus and on-line students. These systems would be in use also in the future as we incorporate more innovation into our teaching.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following donors for their generous support to the Institute on the SMC.

1. AITAA Malaysia Chapter – Enhanced Smart Modified Classroom
2. Mr. Pote Narittakurn Lee (STE'87) - Enhanced Smart Modified Classroom
3. Dr. Naveed Anwar (SE'04 & '88) - Enhanced Smart Modified Classroom
4. Dr. Prasarn Trairatvorakul (IE&M'76) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
5. Mr. Chaiwat Kovavisarach (IE&M'91) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
6. Mr. Chaovalit Ekabut (IE&M'82) - Standard Smart Modified Milton E. Bender Auditorium
7. Mr. Spencer Deng - Standard Smart Modified Classroom



8. BCPG Public Company Limited - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
9. Dr. Chainarong Na Lamphun (WRE'80) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
10. Mr. Preecha Ekkunagul (IE&M'81) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom

11. Mr. Bhargab Mohan Das (SE'05) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
12. AITAA Nepal Chapter - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
13. The late Mr. Kee Book Hee (EE'82) - Standard Smart Modified Classroom
14. Siam Pacific Electric Wire & Cable Co., Ltd. – as a Patron for Standard Smart Modified Classroom
15. Prof. Rasaratnam Logendran (IE&M'80) - as a contributor for Standard Smart Modified Classroom
16. Dr. Iwan Benjamin Santoso (GTE'82) – as a contributor for Standard Smart Modified Classroom in honor of the late Prof. John Hugh Jones
17. Mr. Fang Xiangming (MOT'97) – as a contributor for Smart Modified Classroom in honor of Dr. Krishnamurthi Ramanathan
18. Dr. Pasu Decharin – (MOT'99) – as a contributor for Smart Modified Classroom in honor of Dr. Krishnamurthi Ramanathan
19. Mr. Palitha Gamage (MOT'93) - as a contributor for Smart Modified Classroom in honor of Dr. Krishnamurthi Ramanathan