



# AIT

## Asian Institute of Technology

### 122<sup>nd</sup> Graduation

#### Professorial Remarks by Prof. Sununta Siengthai

**To: AIT Board of Trustees, President of AIT (Prof. Worsak Kanok-Nukulchai, Faculty colleagues, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:**

I am so honored to have been recognized and promoted to the level of full professor at A.I.T. To me, AIT is a very prestigious Asian higher education institution, with its Board of Trustees which is composed of the dignitaries from various countries and large corporations, its international faculty and students who are from diverse and multi-cultural backgrounds. I first started my affiliation with AIT as an associated faculty teaching human resource management in 1994. I enjoyed its multi-cultural and student internationality very much. After I joined as a full-time faculty in 1999, I realize that AIT is the very ideal higher education institute where we work and learn to acquire diversity appreciation and tolerance along with the competence building in our professions. We become aware of human potentials regardless of age, gender, nationalities and their intelligence and virtue to develop a better society in the future. This is a great place to work and learn where many challenges are still to be expected. I recalled very well that I applied for my full professorship in 2011 when unexpectedly we had the great floods and all of us had to relocate to Hua Hin to conduct and continue our classes till we completed our semester of learning as planned. Since then, AIT has been faced with great challenge for constant change and sustainability. Being small and unique, I am confident that AIT will gain its resilience and become even stronger through these turbulent times with its faculty's core competences in technology and management as well as its accumulated reputation for excellence in research and development. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to the Board of Trustees, all my colleagues, friends, and students without whose cooperation, support and critical thinking shared and exchanged along these years, I would not have achieved this recognition today.

Confucius, the well-respected Chinese Philosopher, once said: "It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop."

I also would like to extend my sincere congratulations to all graduands today.

Thank you very much and Congratulations!