Chair's Welcome Speech

Dear Colleagues,

As Chairman and on behalf of the organizing and scientific committees, I am delighted to welcome colleagues from domestic and overseas to the first National and International Conference on Sustainable Development for ASEAN 2014. This exciting forum is entirely dedicated to sustainable development in ASEAN. Also this conference is an activity for the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of Chiang Mai Rajabhat University. The CMRU Research Journal, International Online Journal of Science and Environment and the International Online Journal of Social Science, Chiang Mai Rajabhat University are supporting this conference. To all of the editorial board and reviewers I give my personal thanks. The editorial team welcomes your suggestions to help improve the three journals. Therefore, please do not hesitate to contact us with your ideas.

The Organising Committee received a number of abstracts for oral and poster presentations, many of which were of a high quality, and selection involved some very careful decisions. The reviewing process involved the participation of prominent researchers from domestic and overseas. The organizers are grateful to the authors for their enthusiasm and to all the reviewers for their painstaking work and the time they gave to the evaluation process.

The conference committee has put together a truly unique programme that addresses the cutting edge in sustainable development in ASEAN. A series of state-of-the-art plenary presentations will be presented by domestic and overseas researchers. This will be accompanied by breakout sessions of oral presentations. Posters have been organised to be easily accessible for viewing during sessions, coffee breaks and lunches.

Last but not least, I would like to thank Noppadol Panich and Siam Commercial Bank, as well as my President, the conference sponsors, and all the organizing and scientific committee members for their contribution to the organisation of this conference. I hope this conference will prove to be an inspiring and truly transformative experience for you.

Kind Regards

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