

มหาวิทยาลัยธรรมศาสตร์

Thammasat University – Be the finest, be fair, be the main engine of the society. –

Thammasat University is Thailand's second oldest university. Officially inaugurated on 27 June 1934 at Tha Phra Chan on the Rattanakosin Island and on the Bank of the Chao Phraya River. The University's founder, Prof. Dr. Pridi Banomyong, originally named Thammasat the "University of Ethics and Politics", reflecting its primary mission to offer higher education in the disciplines of law and politics to the new citizenry and prepare Thai people for their new democratic system. Hoping to make higher learning accessible to all, Thammasat began as an open university with 7,094 students enrolled in its first academic year.

Since its initial inception, Thammasat University has evolved from an open university for law and politics to a prestigious international research university offering all levels of academic degrees and producing cutting edge research across a broad spectrum of academic disciplines. The University has graduated more than 300,000 students since its founding who have gone on to make great contributions to the development and progress of Thailand and the world. Notable university alumni include former Prime Ministers, leading politicians and government figures, Bank of Thailand governors, supreme court judges, provincial governors, as well as experts in various fields.



中央大学

Chuo University – Knowledge into Action –

Chuo University was first established in 1885 as the English Law School, and is one of the largest and most prestigious private universities in Japan, particularly renowned for accomplishments in law, politics, and science and engineering. In addition, many of our Business and Economics graduates have gone on to become top-level executives at major corporations in Japan and abroad. During our nearly 130 year history, Chuo has seen steady growth from a specialized School of Law, which continues to produce many of Japan's judges, prosecutors, and lawyers, to a comprehensive university with six faculties, eight graduate schools, and three professional graduate schools, in addition to nine research institutes and three affiliated high school. The University was founded on the spirit of "Fostering the Ability to Apply Knowledge to aPractice", and we aspire to providing practical education that helps young people meet the demands of today's global society.

Chuo University is committed to a strategy of establishing, developing and sustaining itself as an international university in all aspects of its learning, teaching, and research activities, and to foster individuals that can contribute to global society.



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CHUO-THAMMASAT COLLABORATION CENTER Opening Ceremony and Symposium



Date: March 21st, 2015 (Fri.) 11:00-16:00

Venue: Thammasat University, Tha Prachan Campus

Time	Contents	Speakers / Panelists
11:00-11:40	Opening Ceremony	【Jitti Tingsapat】
	Opening Address	
	Addresses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Prof. Dr. Shozaburo SAKAI Chancellor and President, Chuo University ◆ Prof. Dr. Somkit LERTPAITHOON Rector, Thammasat University ◆ Mr. Shigeki KOBAYASHI Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Thailand
	Speech	
11:50-12:00	Ribbon-Cutting	【Jitti Tingsapat】
12:10-13:00	Reception	【Room #201】
13:15-14:20	Symposium	【Room LT1】
	Opening Remarks	
	First Session Students' Presentations "Free Speech, Privacy and Defamation on the Internet"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Chuo University Students ◆ Thammasat University Students
14:20-14:30	Break Time	
14:30-15:55	Second Session Panel Discussion "Education and Global Human Development: Where to from Here? "	<p>【Moderator】</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Prof. Dr. Stephen HESSE Associate Director, International Center, Chuo University <p>【Panelists】</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Prof. Dr. Chikako TAKEISHI Vice President, Director of International Center, Chuo University ◆ Asst. Prof. Dr. Nitinant WISAWAISUAN Vice Rector for International Affairs, Thammasat University ◆ Mr. Koji TAWARA First Secretary, Embassy of Japan in Thailand ◆ Mr. Shuichi IKEDA Chief Representative, JICA Bangkok Office
16:00	Closing Remarks	

Opening Ceremony ~ Key Speakers ~

◆ Prof. Dr. Shozaburo SAKAI Chancellor and President, Chuo University

President Sakai was born in 1950 in Miyagi Prefecture. He completed the Chuo University Graduate School of Commerce Doctoral Program and became a professor in the Faculty of Commerce, Chuo University, in 1992. He later became Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and a member of the Board of Regents, as well as a Director of the Organization for Common Education Initiatives. He is now Chancellor and President of Chuo University, a position he has held since 2014.

President Sakai was also a Senior Visiting Researcher at the Centre for Russian, and East European Studies (CREES), the University of Birmingham, and a Board Chairperson of the Japan Association for the Comparative Study of Management. He is also currently a Visiting Professor at the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing, a Councilor of the Japanese Economic Association, a Councilor of the Japan Scholarly Association for Asian Management, and an international editor of the Contemporary Asian Economy Research.



◆ Prof. Dr. Somkit LERTPAITHOON Rector, Thammasat University

Prof. Somkit Lertpaithoon is the 16th Rector of Thammasat University and Professor of the Faculty of Law. In 1982 he completed his Bachelor of Law at Thammasat University and then continued his studies in Thailand and France, receiving his Doctor of Law from Paris II in 1990. Prof. Lertpaithoon is an Associate Fellow at the Royal Institute, a position he has held since 2013, and he has been a member of the National Legislative Assembly since 2014.

For his remarkable dedication to education and the field of law, Prof. Lertpaithoon has been awarded various Royal Decorations, including Knight Commander (First Class) of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant, Knight Commander (First Class) of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand, and Companion (Fourth Class) of the Most Admirable Order of the Direkgunabhorn.



◆ Mr. Shigeki KOBAYASHI Counsellor of the Embassy of Japan in Thailand, Director of Japan Information Services

Mr. Kobayashi graduated from the Department of Law, Soka University in 1983. He joined the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1983 and became Attaché of the Embassy of Japan in Thailand in 1984. Mr. Kobayashi served at the Embassy of Japan in Vientiane and Bangkok as First Secretary, at the Consulate-General of Japan in Sydney as Consul, and at the Embassy of Japan in Vientiane as Counsellor. He is now Counsellor at the Embassy of Japan in Thailand, as well as Director of Japan Information. Mr. Kobayashi is also a member of "The Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant" in Thailand, and was awarded a "Medal of the National Friendship of Lao PDR".



◆ Assoc. Prof. Narong JAIHARN Dean, Faculty of Law, Thammasat University

Dean Narong Jaiarn has taught at Thammasat University Faculty of Law since 1979 and currently held an associate professorship. His research and teaching focus on criminal law, criminal justice, human rights, decentralization and environmental law. He has prolifically conducted research on various subjects, especially criminal justice, and involved in numerous national law reform projects and committees including the Criminal Procedure Code Reform Commission and Decentralization Committee. Before taking up his current position in June 2013, Dean Narong was Vice Rector of Thammasat University between 2003 and 2004. He received an LL.B. and LL.M. degree from Thammasat University and was admitted to the Bar Council of Thailand. He earned another LL.M. from the University of Kent at Canterbury.

Symposium ~ Moderator & Panelists ~

◆ [Panelist] Prof. Dr. Chikako TAKEISHI

Vice President and Director of the International Center, Chuo University

Vice President Takeishi was born in 1963 in Tokyo. After working at Mitsubishi Research Institute, she received her Ph.D. from Harvard University. In 2001, she joined the Faculty of Commerce, Chuo University, as Assistant Professor and became Professor in 2013.

She is now Vice President of Chuo University and Director of the Chuo International Center. Her field of study is the Sociology of Knowledge and Sociology of Culture.



◆ [Panelist] Asst. Prof. Dr. Nitinant WISAWAISUAN

Vice Rector for International Affairs, Thammasat University

Asst. Prof. Nitinant Wisawaisuan is a Vice Rector for International Affairs and an Assistant Professor of the Faculty of Economics. She graduated from Thammasat University Faculty of Economics with Honors in 1991, and received a Masters in Economics from Thammasat University in 1995. Soon after she received an M.phil. (1997) and a Ph.D. (2001) in Land Economics at St. John's College, University of Cambridge, UK. From 2008 to 2009, Assistant Professor Wisawaisuan was a Visiting Scholar at the Centre of Economics and Public Policy, University of Cambridge. Her areas of study include Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics.



◆ [Panelist] Mr. Koji TAWARA

First secretary, Embassy of Japan in Thailand

Mr. Tawara studied at Chuo University, Faculty of Law and entered Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) in 1996. His career has included positions at several MEXT divisions, as well as at the Agency for Cultural Affairs at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, and Ishikawa Prefecture. During this period he also completed an internship at the headquarters of the University of California. Mr. Tawara has been First Secretary at the Embassy of Japan in Thailand since 2012 and is dedicating himself to promoting Japanese education in Thailand.



◆ [Panelist] Mr. Shuichi IKEDA

Chief Representative, JICA Thailand Office

Mr. Ikeda graduated from Faculty of Agriculture, Tsukuba University, in 1983 and received a Master degree in Environment Science from Tsukuba University in 1985. Since he joined the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in 1985, he has worked in various departments of the head office and also worked in overseas offices, such as Myanmar, the USA and Laos. He was Deputy Director General of the Global Environment Department from 2011 to 2013. He is now Chief Representative of JICA's Thailand Office since May 2013.



◆ [Panelist] Lecturer, Dr. Rattana LAO

Faculty of Learning Sciences and Education, Thammasat University

Dr. Rattana Lao is a lecturer at the Faculty of Learning Sciences and Education, Thammasat University and an author of "A critical study of Thailand's higher education reform: The culture of borrowing" which is published by Routledge. She holds a doctorate in Comparative and International Education (Political Sciences) from Teachers College, Columbia University and a recipient of the Anandamahidol Foundation scholarship under the royal patronage of King Bhumibol of Thailand. Prior to coming to Thammasat, she has worked as a post doctoral fellow at the Faculty of Education, the University of Hong Kong as well as a visiting scholar at the Institute of Education, University of London.



◆ [Moderator] Prof. Dr. Stephen HESSE

Associate Director, International Center, Chuo University

Professor Hesse completed a JD and LLM at Vermont Law School in 1989. He joined the Faculty of Law, Chuo University, as an Assistant Professor in 1993 and became Professor in 2001.

He was a Visiting Researcher at the Boston University School of Law from 2004 to 2005, and served as Director of the Chuo International Center between 2009 and 2012. He is now Associate Director of the International Center, a position he has held since 2014.



Facilitators



◆ Prof. Dr. Masahiko OMURA Executive Regent (COO for Academic Affairs), Chuo University

Executive Regent Omura is a Professor at the Chuo Law School. He was Dean of Chuo Law School from 2004 to 2007 and Director of the Chuo International Center from 2012 to 2014. He has been a Visiting Researcher at the University of Texas Law School, at the UC Hastings College of Law (USA), and at Cambridge University. Professor Omura is now Executive Regent, a position he has held since 2014.

His research interests are Civil Justice Reform and Comparative Civil Procedure.