A Visit of IBM Australian Delegates

On August 15, 2012, Assistant Professor Chariya Hasitpanitkun, President of RMUTSB, accompanied by Assistant Professor Pimonpan Thanarak, Assistant to the President for International Relations, Mr. Suwut Tomthong, Director of Academic Resources and Information Technology Office and Assistant Professor Warunee Krudpun, Deputy Director, welcomed the delegates of IBM Global Delivery Center from IBM Australia Limited in New South Wales, Australia led by Ms. Amanda Garland, Vice President on the occasion of their visit to RMUTSB at Nonthaburi campus. The purpose of this visit was to have a meeting and discuss on academic collaboration in the future.

A Visit of IUT Director to RMUTSB

On August 3, 2012, Assistant Professor Chariya Hasitpanitkun accompanied by Dr. Sisuda Chalthongsuk, a lecturer in the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture, warmly welcomed Dr. Oliver Rebault, the Director of International Affairs of Institute Universitaires de Technology (IUT), France on his informal visit to RMUTSB at Wasukri campus, Ayutthaya. After they had a talk about the academic collaboration between RMUTSB and IUT Le Mans in the future they had lunch and the President showed him around the university and the city of Ayutthaya.

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MOU RMUTSB and Revenue Department

Assistant Professor Charinya Hasitpanitkun, President of RMUTSB was invited by Assistant Professor Paisal Burinwathana, Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration and Information Technology, to be the chairperson in the ceremony of Memorandum of Understanding signing between Rajamangala University of Technology Suvarnabhumi and The Department of Revenue together with Rajabhat Thepsatri University on July 10, 2012 at Phra-Uthain room 2, Department of Revenue Building in Bangkok. The MOU has an agreement to jointly organize the workshop program for students on “Enhancing their capacity and knowledge on taxation before entering into business professions”.

Educational Visit to Bhutan

Associate Professor Dr. Montanee Sestapukdee, Vice President for Academic Affairs joined the study tour in Bhutan. The project was on “Learning from Others for Innovative Improvement in Graduate level Phase V” which was organized by Dean of the Graduate Schools Association of Thailand during the period of July 31 to August 4, 2012. There were 30 representatives from universities in Thailand that participated in the program. The objectives of the project were to study the arts and culture of Bhutan as well as the educational system of Bhutan, to further the good relationship among educational institutes, and also to promote educational networks between universities in Thailand and in Bhutan. The representatives visited the School of Arts and Crafts or the Painting School, The Center for Bhutan Studies and The Royal University of Bhutan and shared their ideas as well.

Study Visit to Lao PDR

Dr. Anek Charoenphakdee, Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology led the administrators and the faculty members to visit the National University of Laos, which is a member of ASEAN University Network (AUN), on May 30, 2012. The purpose of the visit was to promote a better understanding and possibilities to pursue academic collaboration between RMUTSB and NUOL.
On August 22, 2012, Assistant Professor Chariya Hasitpanitkun, President of RMUTSB, presided over and gave a speech in the opening ceremony of “RMUTSB Science Day” hosted by the Faculty of Science and Technology at Sriptayakarn Building, Huntra campus. On this occasion, Dr. Anek Charoenphakdee, Dean of the faculty reported to the president about the objective and activities in the event. After the opening ceremony, the President together with Associate Professor Sahaipol Meechunuke, Vice President, Assistant Professor Jaturon Tanasomboon, Vice President, Assistant Professor Pimonpan Thanarak, Assistant to the President, Assistant Professor Joompot Poomsiphanon, Deputy Dean, and administrators participated in the activities. There were a lot of students and teachers from primary and secondary schools in Ayutthaya and surrounding provinces who joined the event.

This event was held to support the National Science Day of Thailand which is declared to be on August 18 of every year and to commemorate King Rama IV as “the Father of Science in Thailand” for his skillful astronomy.

King Mongkut of Siam or King Rama IV was not only noted for his excellent command of English, but also his skill and talent in astronomy. He could correctly predict the time and position of the total eclipse and aimed to use it to show his country to the best advantage. He invited Sir Harry Ord, the Governor of the British Straits Settlements, as well as a group of French astronomers and scientists to observe a total solar eclipse, which he predicted would be on August 18, 1868 at 12:13 pm in Prachuap Khiri Khan province. His calculation had proved to be correct. The Thai government designated King Rama IV as “The Father of Science in Thailand” and declared August 18 would be known as “National Science Day of Thailand”.

In order to heighten the importance of science and provide participants with knowledge and fun, the exhibition with many interesting scientific experiments and games were provided. Consequently, the participants would recognize that without proper knowledge of science, it is impossible to develop and advance useful areas of technology.

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**Being Ready for Work: English Camp**

The Faculty of Engineering and Architecture organized of The 5th English Camp with the purpose to prepare students to be ready for their future careers at Nonthaburi Campus on July 12, 2012.

The project was honored by Mr. Wichai Masaeng, Deputy Dean of the faculty, to preside over the project and gave a token to the lectures from Liberty University, the United States of America. The students who joined the camp were from Electronic Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering.
In-house Training Project

RMUTSB students in the Department of Business Information and Technology, Faculty of Business Administration and Information Technology, Suphanburi campus, organized the In-house Training Project on “Creative Video with Wedding Album Maker Gold” on July 2, 2012 at Phanom-Thaun Pittayakhom School in Kanjanaburi province.

Faculty of BA&IT Internal Quality Assurance 8-9 July

The Faculty of Business Administration and Information Technology was evaluated by the Board of Education for Academic Year 2011 headed by Assistant Professor Pranee Panwichien on July 8-9, 2012.

SBS Special Lecture

On this occasion, he gave a lecture on the topic of “On being a Technology Entrepreneur in Developing Countries: the Challenges of Business” to 30 SBS students in Master of Business Administration Program from 16:30 - 18:00.

Energy Market-Theory and Tools

The Faculty of Engineering and Architecture in collaboration with Ryerson University, Canada hosted a seminar on “The Application of Technology in Renewable Energy Development or Environmental Development: Energy Market - Theory and Tools” at Richmond Hotel, Nonthaburi during June 18 - 22, 2012. Assistant Professor Chariya Hasitpanitkun, the President gave a welcome speech at the opening ceremony and the seminar was honored by Professor Bala Venkatesh Anand, the expert from Ryerson University as the distinguished speaker. There were 30 participants who attended the seminar which covered the following areas: 1) Market Structure-Historical Perspective, 2) Optimization Tools: Linear Programming, 3) 5-Minute Market System Representation for Optimal Power, 4) Day Ahead Market Settlement: Uncertainty of Renewable and 5) Planning in Energy Markets: Capacity Markets and Transmission Elements.
Associate Professor Dr. Surachai Muchjajib and Associate Professor Udomlaksana Muchjajib were invited to attend the 6th International Symposium on Edible Alliaceae (ISEA2012) held in Fukuoka, Japan during May 21 – 24, 2012. They gave the presentations entitled: “Optimal Shading for the Production of Blanched Chinese Chive in the Central Region of Thailand” and “Optimal Propagation Technique for the Production of Green Chinese Chive in Thailand”. They also had a chance to visit the onion plantation and the processing plant in Sega.

**An Empirical Study of Hotel Businesses in Thailand**

Assistant Professor Wasutida Nurittamon, a lecturer in the Faculty of Business Administration and Information Technology, Suvarnabhumi Business School visited Ca Foscari University of Venice, Italy to participate in the international conference organized by International Academy of Business and Economics during June 8-10, 2012. She gave her presentation on “The Relationship among Organizational Commitment, Self-Efficacy and Business Performance: An Empirical Study of Hotel Businesses in Thailand”.

**“Integrating 21st Century Labour Market Competencies in The Curriculum”**

Assistant Professor Wachira Sararit, a lecturer in the Department of Plant Science, Faculty of Agricultural Technology and Agro-Industry and Associate Director of the Office of Academic Promotion and Registration, received the scholarship sponsored by SEAMEO VOCTECH to attend the training program on “Integration 21st Century Labour Market Competencies in The Curriculum” in Brunei Darussalam during July 3-14, 2012.

The participants were principals, administrators, supervisors, instructors and curriculum development facilitators with a good command of English and basic competence in using a computer. At the end of the course, they were expected to be able to conduct the competency identification process and integrate these competencies to the VTET curriculum.
Thai Arts and Culture Dissemination of
RMUTSB Students in Lions Clubs International Denmark Youth Camp and Exchange 2012

At the end of the project, the students came back from the camps and jointly organized the special events for Thai Arts and Culture dissemination to foreigners at the closing ceremony of the program. Honorary guests from Royal Thai Embassy, Consul-General of Thailand, Lord Royal in Denmark, President of Lions Clubs International Denmark, President of Lions Clubs International Foundation Denmark, Boards of Lions International Clubs, and distinguished guests including host families were invited to join the closing ceremony which was held at a Thai restaurant in Slangerup. In this occasion, RMUTSB assigned Assistant Professor Dr. Silikul Klongkumnuankarn, Vice President and Assistant Professor Pimonpan Thanarak, Assistant to the President for International Relations joined the ceremony on August 6, 2012 at 5 - 7 pm.

In the ceremony, RMUTSB students together with four students from RMUT Rattanakisin and two students from Suan Sunandha Rajabhat University gracefully showed their talent in very beautiful Thai classical dances and Thai-boxing dances as the auspicious occasion of celebrations of 80th anniversary of Her Majesty Queen Sirikit of Thailand and with the special purpose to thank the party members of Lions Clubs International Denmark. Their talented performances were highly admired by all guests.
International Symposium on the Fusion Technologies between Korea and Thailand 2012

ISF 2012 was organized by Gyeongsang National University in Tongyeong campus, South Korea in cooperation with Faculty of Engineering and Architecture of Rajamangala University of Technology Suvarnabhumi, Thailand during June 29 – July 2, 2012. Associate Professor Napat Watjanatepin, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture together with Dr. Viboone Chunkag, King Mongkut’s University of Technology North Bangkok led the team of ten RMUTSB researchers to participate and present their research studies at the symposium. In this event, Assistant Professor Pimonpan Thanarak, Assistant to RMUTSB President for International Relations and Dr. Jantana Saensuk, Deputy Dean of Suvarnabhumi Business School (SBS) were also invited.

Professor Hanshik Chung, Head of Institute of Marine Industry of GNU and Dr. Chulsu Kim, CEO of KTENG Co. Ltd., one of the sponsors of this symposium gave a very warm welcome to RMUTSB researchers and delegation. Besides, they also took a great care of the delegation during their visit.

Gyeongsang National University (GNU) was initially founded as Jinju Provincial Agricultural College in 1948 and became a national institution renamed as Gyeongsang National University in 1980. GNU consists of three campuses: Gajna, Chilam and Tongyeong where this symposium was held. GNU has 760 professors, 500 administrative employees and the present enrollment of 24,000 students in 100 departments, 9 graduate schools, and 12 colleges: Humanities, Social Science, Natural Science, Business, Engineering, Agricultural and Life Science, Law, Education, Veterinary Medicine, Nursing, Marine Science, and Pharmacy.

ISFT 2012, the first step of academic cooperation between Gyeongsang National University and Rajamangala University of Technology Suvarnabhumi, was the platform for international scholars to exchange new fusion technologies. The symposium was honored by three distinguished speakers namely Professor Taewoo Lee from Arizona State University of USA., Professor S.H. Winato from the National University of Singapore and Dr. EJ. Lee from Korean Institute of Energy Research including RMUTSB’s team of researchers namely Associate Professor Napat Watjanatepin, Dr. Yutthana Kanthaphayao, Assistant Professor Sarayoot Thongkullaphat, Dr. Somporn Seewattanapon, Mr. Tanee Pomwong, Assistant Professor Warunee Srisongkarm, Assistant Professor Dr. Pramuk Unahalekhaka, Mr. Sanya Kumjing, Mr. Patchara Kunjanakam and Miss Patcharanan Srisathanaithaikorn.

On July 1, 2012, Professor Hanshik Chung and his colleagues together with Dr. Chulsu Kim kindly took RMUTSB delegation to visit many interesting places as Gimhae Astronomy Observatory, Gimhae National Museum, Historic Park of Geoje POW camp and especially Daewoo Ship Building & Marine Engineering (DSME) in Geoje which is the second biggest ship building company in Korea and in the world.
Temasek Foundation and RMUTSB Co-funding Project: Two-week Executive

Mr. Pongwit Wudhiwiriya, Assistant to the President and Associate Professor Napat Wajanatepin, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture attended two-week Executive Program in Singapore. It was entitled “The Management & Development of a Modern Higher Education Institute for TF - NYPi’s TVTE Training Project”. Twenty executives from the group of nine Rajamangala University of Technology participated in this program during July 9 -12, 2012 at Nanyang Polytechnic International. During these two weeks, the participants gained knowledge of the economic development, education system of Singapore and the model of Nanyang Polytechnic development called NYP++ : organizational culture, concepts of innovation, capability development and collaboration. They also visited classroom teaching and learning at Nanyang Polytechnic International and Nanyang Technology University.

From July 29 to August 11, 2012, other three of RMUTSB administrators: Assistant Professor Thitima Chinowat, Miss Niramon Chanyaem, and Dr. Anek Charoenphakdee, Deans of Agricultural Technology, Liberal Arts and Science and Technology Faculties, attended the same program.

Conference Presentation in Portugal.

Associate Professor Napat Wajanatepin, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture attended the 3rd International Academic Conference in Lisbon, Portugal. The Conference was held by the International Institute of Social and Economic Science (IISES) from September 9 to 13, 2012. The dean presented his research studies on “Perspectives of Employment Organizations on Engineering Students of Rajamangala University of Technology Suvarnabhumi Who Studied Cooperative Education in 2010” and “The Development of the Automatic Artificial Sun for the PV Energy System Experimental Set”.

Conference & Seminar