Postgraduate Certificate Course on Integrated Coastal Management
Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Bangkok, Thailand
21 January – 1 March 2013

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Information for Participants

1. Venue of the Training: The training course will be held at the Bangkok Campus of the AIT - Asian Institute of Technology, P.O. Box 4, Klong Luang, Pathumthani 12120, Thailand (about one hour’s drive north of Bangkok city)
   
   Telephone: (++66 2) 516 0144 or (++66 2) 524 5000; Fax: (++66 2) 516 2126
   
   Please visit the website (http://www.ait.ac.th) to learn more about AIT’s Bangkok campus and its facilities.

   The contact point at the AIT is Dr Wenresti Gallardo; E-mail: <gallardo@ait.asia>. In case of an emergency, the contact details are: Tel. ++662 524 6000 (night-time); ++662 524 5452 (office hours); E-mail: aarm@ait.ac.th; Tel: ++662 524-5450/5488/5489 (Emergency numbers).

2. Travel to Thailand and Arrival in Bangkok/AIT: MFF will bear the cost of air travel of the participants by economy class most direct route. All participants are responsible for arranging /obtaining visas FROM THAI EMBASSY/ CONSULATE of your country BEFORE boarding the flight (especially for non-ASEAN countries such as Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Seychelles). Please let us know if you require any assistance in this regard.

Upon arrival at the Suvarnabhumi Airport in Bangkok, please follow the procedure described below:

A. Complete the immigration/custom processes
B. Locate the baggage carousel for your flight and collect your bags
C. Go through the customs GREEN LINE (you may be subjected to random baggage check; if that so, remain calm – make sure you do not bring anything other than cloths and personal items; you are allowed to carry maximum of 1 Liter of liquor and 200 cigarettes if you must bring those items)
D. Once you come out of the customs, go to a Bank Counter and change around 50 US$ (or equivalent) to Thai Baht (1 US$ = around 30 Baht)
E. IGNORE the offering taxi services by different groups/ individuals; turn RIGHT, pass the visitor’s MEETING place and take escalator to the lower level (ground floor); go out of the building
F. Turn LEFT and you will find the metered taxi stand (please follow the sign board for taxi stand) and tell you want to go to Thammasart University Rangsit Campus and show the following address written in Thai to the receptionist (show the address to taxi driver too):

หอพักทียูโดม (TU Dome)
ถนนเชียงราก (Chiang Raak Road)
มหาวิทยาลัยธรรมศาสตร์–ศูนย์รังสิต (Thammasart University – Rangsit Campus)
99 ม.18 ต.คลองหลวง อ.คลองหลวง จ.ปทุมธานี 12121 (Moo 99, 18, Klongnang sub-district, Klong Luang District, Pathum Thani Province, Postal code 12121)

NOTE on Taxi Fare: taxi fare is around 500 – 600 Baht; read the taximeter and add 50 Baht for traveling outside Bangkok metropolitan area; taxi driver will ask you whether he can use the toll way, which cost you additional 115 Baht.

G. AIT staff member will be waiting in TU dorm to assist you (please see the attached maps)

3. Training Costs: All costs in connection with this training will be borne by MFF. These costs include AIT Processing fee of applications (Baht 800), course fee (Baht 140,000), registration fee (Baht 20,000), and room costs.

4. Accommodation: You are accommodated in one of the Thammasart University dormitory titled “TU Dome”. Please read the guidelines, rules and regulations of TU Dome in the attached Annex – strictly follow all the regulations as undergraduate teenage students stay in this dormitory.

5. Meals: AIT has several student cafeterias as well as restaurants serving a variety of cuisine. The meals are relatively inexpensive, and Thai, Western, vegetarian and halal menus are served daily; for those requiring more up-market restaurants, there is a choice of restaurants in the neighbourhood.

6. Registration: Participants are required to be at AIT for registration and orientation on 21 January 2013. Registration will provide the participants with the same status as other students at AIT, and the participants will have access to the library, computer rooms, internet facilities, cafeteria, recreation facilities, etc.

7. Insurance: MFF undertakes no responsibility in respect to life, accident, travel, or any related insurance coverage of the participants. The participants are requested to make their own arrangements regarding coverage for these eventualities. MFF will however arrange for health insurance under AIT’s scheme for student health cover for the semester, which includes hospitalization and out-patient benefits. The details of this coverage can be provided, or are found in the AIT Students’ Handbook.

8. Expenses: MFF will pay a Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) of USD 25 per day during the period of training, which is sufficient to cover the costs of meals and other incidental personal expenses. MFF will also make a one-time terminal payment of US $ 50 to cover taxi fares (home country and in Thailand), porterage, etc. Representatives of the MFF Secretariat will be available at a designated time on 21 January 2013 to make the DSA and the terminal payments. Separate arrangements will be made to pay those who miss this meeting.

9. Climate: Bangkok is expected to be warm and humid during this period. Please come prepared for the field visits (light clothes, hat, sun glasses, and comfortable field shoes).

10. Electricity: 230 volts; 50 Cycles

11. Currency: Thai Baht; (US$ 1 = 30 Thai Baht).

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12. Leisure, Recreation and Shopping: During the period of training, you will be able to do your shopping at the nearby Future Park Mall, Rangsit. This Mall is open throughout the week, and has a cinema complex etc. It can be reached conveniently by bus or taxi from AIT.

Sports and recreation include a swimming pool, badminton courts, tennis courts, table tennis, basketball courts, football grounds, cricket and hockey fields and squash courts. There are regular weekend activities in exploring Thailand and neighboring countries. On-campus, students enjoy weekly movies, parties, and sports tournaments.

Other services at AIT include a post office, bookstore, bank, and convenience stores.

13. Contact: Please feel free to contact us should you require any assistance:

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Guidelines for TU Dome Accommodation (January 2013 Intake)

TU Dome – Chiang Raak Road opposite Thammasat University Rangsit Campus.

Room Amenities (standard for all rooms)
- 2 beds (pillows, linens and towels are provided from AIT)
- 2 small closets or 1 big closet (depending on the room location)
- 2 tables and 2 chairs
- Air-condition
- Bathroom with Hot Shower
- Cleaning Services (from AIT by Sodexo)
- Washing Machine Services on each floor, common area use for refrigerator and microwave on certain floors

Internet Service
- Free WiFi at TU Dome Office from 8:30am till midnight

Bus Service
- Go to the overpass bridge near TU Dome and crossover to Thammasart Campus side of the road
- Take Bus no. 3 which goes to Thammasart Center Cafeteria (there is a free of charge bus for every 15 minutes; there are private transportation at a cost of 4 Baht too)
- From Thammasart Center Cafeteria take Bus n. 2 to Thammasat Hospital
- From Thammasat Hospital walk to AIT

Rules and Regulation of TU DOME Residential Complex

1. Students must follow the rules or regulation published by the Thammasat University. They also had to obey orders of the officers that perform functions assigned by the University.
2. Students cannot bring outsiders into the dormitory building. Except permitted by the Dormitory Head. Meeting place must be in the designated area only.
3. Non-residents cannot come into the room without permission.
4. Males are not allowed in the female dorms. Females are not allowed in to the male dorms.
5. Do not solicit sex in the dormitory.
6. Do not enter the dormitory building by the use of a private balcony or fire escape.
7. Stealing is not allowed.
8. Gambling, drinking alcohol and use of drugs are not allowed in the dormitory.
9. Do not be noisy, maintain peace and quiet and do disturb others in the TU DOME Dormitory.
10. Pets are not allowed in the dormitory, except fish.
11. Cooking is not allowed in the rooms or using device that might cause fire to the rooms or building.
12. Personal electrical equipment use should be informed to the Authority concerns. Bringing in or bring out of the said equipment should be approved by the Authority concerns.
13. Student’s cars, Motorcycles and bicycles should be park in a designated area only.
14. Do not bring the dormitory’s equipment inside your room.
15. Students are not allowed to bring their own personal equipment at the common area.
16. All students have to keep their own rooms clean and must put waste in trash bin in front of the elevator of each building.
17. Do not alter or change any parts of the room or building.
18. The student used of the fire extinguisher is strictly prohibited and may be use except in case of fire only.
19. Cooperate with the university campus in the activities of the university.
20. If there is any inconvenience cause to the residents or if there are any emergency or necessary issues that may go against the above rules set above please contact the Office of Property Management of University, TU DOME Residential Complex for comments.

**AIT Virtual Map**

Virtual map of AIT can be found in the following webpage. Move the cursor to find the name of the buildings and places. Can you find the Agricultural and Food Engineering (AFE) Building? That is where your classroom is located (Ctrl + Click to follow the link).

Note: the airport in the above map shows Don Muang Airport – not Suvannabhumi airport
Map of Thammasart University showing AIT and TU dome locations

AIT is located in the upper right hand side and TU dome is located in the lower left hand corner [you can enlarge (zoom) the picture].