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He has extensively worked on ICT, smart city and e-government projects in Asia, the Middle East, and Europe and is a frequent conference speaker on smart cities (Barcelona, Germany, Malaysia, Thailand, Netherlands, Singapore, etc.). He is a member of the Joint Foreign Chamber of Commerce ICT Group in Thailand and regularly advises local and international clients on policy and strategic issues. He works on urban, regional economic development, ICT, creative/digital economy, and innovation issues at the city level working with several cities and local stakeholders in Southeast Asia.

He is fluent in written and spoken Thai. He has an MBA with Distinction from the University of Bradford and a BA in Economics and Geography from the School of Oriental And African Studies.