Plenary and Launching of Girls in ICT Day, Thailand Webinar

17 August 2020
14:00 – 16:00 HRS (Bangkok)

International Girls in ICT Day is celebrated worldwide every year on the fourth Thursday of April, which is an opportunity for girls and young women to see and experience technology in a whole new light. Over 377,000 girls and young women have taken part in more than 11,400 celebrations of International Girls in ICT Day in 171 countries worldwide since 2011.

In Thailand, the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES-Thailand), the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC-Thailand) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) have been celebrating the Girls in ICT Day since 2017. Together with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the Geo-informatics Center (Asian Institute of Technology), the DTAC, the CISCO, the Research Center of Communication and Development Knowledge Management (CCDKM), capacity building programs have been implemented with the aim of imparting employable digital skills to girls and young women in the country. Following the launch, more than 400 female students have been trained in the areas of "Agritech Using ICTs," and "Networking".

In 2020, the Girls in ICT Day celebration in Thailand is going to be held virtually through the month of August and September, due to the COVID-19.

The Plenary and Launching Ceremony will be held virtually via Cisco Webex platform on the 17 August 2020. As the first activity, this ceremony will also introduce the four tracks that will take place throughout the Girls in ICT Day Thailand program.

We look forward to you joining us at this event.

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Provisional Program: 17 August 2020	
14:00 - 14:45	**Introduction by Moderator** **Welcoming Remarks** • Mr. Stephen Bereaux, Deputy to Director BDT, ITU **Opening Session** • Mr. Notachard Chintakanond, Executive Director, International Affairs Bureau, NBTC • Ms. Ajarin Pattanapanchai, Permanent Secretary, MDES (Official Launching) **Group Photo Session- Virtual** **Partners' Segment on Girls in ICT Thailand** • Mr Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, UNESCAP • Ms Areewan Haorangsi, Secretary General, APT • Ms Xiangjun Yao, Regional Programme Leader, FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific • Ms Ito Misako, Regional Advisor for Communication & Information, UNESCO • Ms Marcella O'Shea, Asia Pacific Regional Manager, Corporate Affairs, CISCO • Mr Praphan Chivaphongse, Vice President, Head of Sustainability Department, DTAC • Ms Manita Vivatsethachai, a Girls in ICT day Alumni, and now a Founder & Director PakDone
14:50 - 15:55	**Leadership Programme by APT** **Moderator:** Ms Areewan Haorangsi, Secretary General, APT **Speakers:** • Ms Ajarin Pattanapanchai, Permanent Secretary, MDES • Assist. Prof. Dr Siriluk Chumchean, Managing Director, Panya Consultants Co., Ltd. • Dr Supatida Prompayuck, CEO, The S-Curve company • Ms Sirinut Chimplee, Owner, Sirinut Betta Farm
15:55 - 16:00	**Appreciation Remarks** • Ms. Gita Shabharwal UNRC for Thailand • Ms Atsuko Okuda, Regional Director, ITU Regional Office for Asia-Pacific

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