

South East Asia Regional Computer Conference 2007



Message from the Chairman of the Organizing Committee

The theme of the 24th South East Asia Regional Computer Conference or SEARCC 2007 which is “E-Everything for Knowledge-Based Society” clearly show how deeply computer and the Internet have transformed so many areas of our life. As an example, there was a survey result in the USA stating that more than 50% of young people said they could not live without the Internet. The percentage in South East Asia may be less than that but there is repaid increase in the number.

It is also extraordinary to think about the many special areas of technical knowledge that make e-everything possible, from eAuction, eBanking, eCommerce, and so on so fourth, to eZoo. Much of this immense range of skills, applications, and interests are present at SEARCC 2007 and, thinking about it, I truly marvel how extraordinary the whole development of the ICT field has become. There might be those who ask why we should go through the effort to organize such a conference when the topic of the conference itself suggests that the discussions might be more efficiently implemented online. I assume in fact that all of our participants do share ideas online and some may have indeed participated in eConferences or webinars. But to say that IT is transforming life is not necessarily to say that it can always replace the old way of life. What a conference like this can most bring to the table of progress is the serendipity that comes into play as many similarly interested people come to the same place for a period of interaction.

This conference, of course would not have been possible without the staff members and members of the organizing committee who have ensured that this will be a very successful conference. The work all did was immense and I am certain that this attention will be seen clearly in the proceedings itself. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all the people as well as all the learned societies, and the sponsors who have supported us. I also want to thank the many scholars and practitioners who have agreed to take part in the conference. I hope all of you have a wonderful time in Bangkok while coming together for an excellent conference.

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