



The 2022 KU Social Sciences International Conference:

Roles of Social Sciences in Sustainability Transformation in the Global South

June 9, 2022 09.15 - 17.15 hrs. (Bangkok time)

9.00-9.15

Opening ceremony

9.15-10.00

Keynote 1: Framing the Sustainability Transformation Challenge in the Global South from a Social Sciences Perspective

by **Honourable Mr. Mechai Viravaidya** (Founder and Chairman of Population and Community Development Association, Population and Development International, Mechai Viravaidya Foundation, Mechai Bamboo School)

10.15-10.45

Keynote 2: Sustainable Development and Good Governance in Designing for Transformation in the Global South by **Professor Dr. Alex Bello Brillantes, Jr.** (Secretary General of Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration)

11.00-12.00

Panel Discussion: Achieving Sustainability Transformations through Social Innovation: Past, Present, and the Way Forwards

Panelists: **Renaud Meyer** (United Nations Development Program), **Mark M. Anderson** (Glasgow Caledonian University), **ML Dispanadda Diskul** (Mae Fah Luang Foundation and Social Enterprise Thailand) (to be confirmed)

Assistant Professor Chol Bunnag (Thammasart University) (to be confirmed)

Chairperson: **Assistant Professor Dr. Lalita Hanwong** (Kasetsart University)

..... **Lunch Break (12.00 - 13.00)**

Presentation by students on "Youth as Change-makers towards Sustainability"

(winners of Student Video Award) and speech by students from the Faculty of Social Sciences on the same topic.

13.00-15.00

Parallel Sessions1 (live session):

Special Lecture 1: Challenges of Agri-food System Transformation in the Global South: Sustainability and Resilience

by **Sridhar Dharmapuri** (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

Special Lecture 2: Social Dimensions of Adaptation to Climate Change in the Global South (Speaker to be confirmed)

15.15-16.00

Keynote 3: Governing Sustainability Transformations in the Global South: How Big Is the Gap between What We Have and What We Need?

By **Philippe M.F. Peycam** (Director of the International Institute of Asian Studies and Professor of Asian Studies in Global Context, Leiden University)

16.00-17.00

Roundtable: Social Sciences and the Sustainability Transformation Challenges: Are We Up to the Task?

Roundtable Participants: **Professor Dr. Rilus H. Dharmawan** (Bogor Agricultural University), **Dr. Lloyd G. A. Amoah** (University of Ghana, Legon), **Associate Professor Dr. Kangsadan Chaowatthanakun** (Kasetsart University)

Chairperson: **Dr. Bart Lambregts** (Kasetsart University)

..... **Wrap up and closing remarks (17.00-17.15)**



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An online conference to be held on 9 June 2022



Kasetsart University's Faculty of Social Sciences, in collaboration with its organizing partners, invites papers and posters for its first International Conference titled "Roles of Social Sciences in Sustainability Transformation in the Global South". The conference investigates how Social Sciences may contribute to the conception, design and implementation of the many sustainability transformations that must be accomplished if people across the Global South are to continue to experience sustainable gains in their lives and livelihoods.

Suggested sub-themes:

- Trends, challenges and barriers to sustainability transformation in the Global South
- Design (and re-design) of sustainability transformations
- Governance of sustainability transformations
- Agri-food transformations and Future Food
- Sustainable urban development
- Sustainable communities
- The role of media in accomplishing sustainability transformations
- Accommodating polarization in a post-truth world
- Digital transformations
- Technologies for sustainability transformation
- Sustainable transformation of tourism
- Community heritage for posterity and social acceptance
- Sustainability transformation through a historical lens

Papers will go through a one-step submission process. Authors are requested to submit their full papers which will be peer-reviewed for acceptance by the conference academic committee. For posters a two-step process applies: poster authors are requested to submit an abstract for peer review first. The authors of accepted abstracts will then be invited to submit full posters for the conference. **Submission deadline for full papers and poster abstracts is 18 March 2022. Guidelines for paper and poster authors are available at our conference website.**



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