

Greeting from Sauwakon Ratanawijitrasin Director of SEAMEO RIHED

1. Dr. Ikeda, Dr. Nakaoka, Dr. Benton, Dr. Isoda, and all Directors, my colleagues from SEAMEO Centers and colleagues in the growing AIMS family, and all friends.
2. Good morning, it is very nice to be here in Tsukuba.
3. Actually this meeting today is the result of a telephone conference with me, and I would like to especially thank Isoda sensei; for making this symposium a reality.
4. We have here a platform today to imagine the future and also to design new directions for higher education, and to develop human resources to meet the global challenges, so through today's meeting and program we will discuss these things and we will work together in Northeast and Southeast Asia to set the tone and to set the direction for the future of our region and universities.
5. Thank you very much