



**“RST Mobile Seminars” Project, Academy of Science, Fiscal Year 2022**  
**An academic seminar on “Organic Farming Driven by a BCG Economic Model”**



Prof. Emeritus Dr. Surapone Virulrak, President of the Royal Thai Society (RST), had the privilege of giving the opening remarks at the academic seminar titled “Organic Farming Driven by a BCG Economic Model” on Friday, March 11, 2022, from 8.00 to 17.00. at the Academy of Science, RST. The Science Division, Office of the RST, hosted a seminar on that subject at Kasetsart University (Kamphaeng Saen Campus, Nakhon Pathom Province) via an electronic media, the Zoom Cloud Meeting system. The seminar was organized as part of the Academy of Science’s “RST Mobile Seminars” Project for the 2022 fiscal year. Examples of farmers providing standardized goods that support the BCG economy and agrotourism were displayed, along with the Organic Agriculture Act and Standards. Additionally, research findings on organic agriculture were presented, highlighting commercially successful samples of organic products in the context of the BCG economy and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This event included scholarly discussions on organic farming within the framework of the BCG Economy and sustainable development and booths displaying organic goods.



## The 12<sup>th</sup> Interdisciplinary Day Academic Symposium on “Interdisciplinary Roles in Transforming Thailand for Quick and Sustainable Development”



On Tuesday, May 31, 2022, from 8.30-16.30, Prof. Emeritus Dr. Surapone Virulrak, President of the Royal Thai Society (RST), was honored to preside over the opening ceremony of the 12<sup>th</sup> Interdisciplinary Day Symposium on “Interdisciplinary Roles in Transforming Thailand for Rapid and Sustainable Development” organized by the Interdisciplinary Committee for Research and Development, Office of the RST, in cooperation with Bansomdejchaopraya Rajabhat University. The event was held at Main Auditorium 141 of Bansomdejchaopraya Rajabhat University via electronic media, the Zoom Cloud Meeting system. On this occasion, the President of the RST was honored to chair the award presentation ceremony of the students of the National Defense College of Thailand (NDC) who proposed interdisciplinary research topics. The president also delivered a lecture on “Work Integration.” Following the lecture were the academic discussion on “Interdisciplinary Roles in Transforming Thailand for Quick and Sustainable Development” and a lecture on “Vision and Mission of the Association for Interdisciplinary Research.” This event also featured presentations emphasizing specific examples of interdisciplinary research operations and research findings of seven interdisciplinary networks.



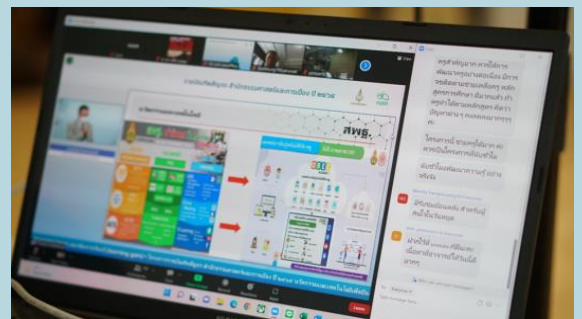


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## “RST Mobile Seminars” Project, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, Fiscal Year 2022 “Innovation and Technology to Prevent Learning Loss and Increase Learning Gain”



On Thursday, June 2, 2019, from 8.30-12.00, the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, Office of the Royal Society of Thailand (RST), together with the Equitable Education Fund (EEF), organized the Project “RST Mobile Seminars,” Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, Fiscal Year 2022 titled “Innovation and Technology to Prevent Learning Loss and Enhance Learning Gain” via electronic media, the Zoom Cloud Meeting system. Prof. Dr. Palin Phoocharoon (Chairperson, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences), presided over the opening ceremony. In this event, a lecture on “Learning to a Turning Point” by Prof. Emeritus Sumon Amornvivat (FRST, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences) was delivered, followed by a panel discussion on “Innovation and Technology to Prevent Learning Loss and Enhance Learning Gain.” The panelists included Dr. Anotai Thaiwannasri (Adviser on Teaching and Learning Technologies, Office of the Basic Education Commission), Prof. Dr. Pruet Siribanpitak (AFRST, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences), and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Daranee Utairatanakit (AFRST, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences), with Prof. Emeritus Dr. Chanita Rukspollmuang (AFRST, Academy of Moral and Political Sciences) as a moderator.



## Declaration on the RST Position on the Use of Cannabis and its Products

On Monday 25 July 2022 at 14.00, Prof. Emeritus Dr. Surapone Virulrak, President of the Royal Society of Thailand (RST) presided over the announcement of the RST position on the use of cannabis and its products, along with Prof. Dr. Wanlop Surakamponorn (Chairperson, Academy of Science), Prof. Dr. Chayan Pichaensoonthon (FRST, Academy of Science), Prof. Dr. Kongkiat Kulkantrakorn (AFRST, Academy of Science), and Prof. Dr. Arnat Tancho (AFRST, Academy of Science), via Zoom Cloud Meetings electronic conferencing system. This declaration aims to inform people about the risks associated with cannabis use and to educate about its use in medicine and welfare that affects people's lives and health, particularly children and youth who will exert a significant influence on the country in the future. Given the fact that Parliament was considering various laws related to cannabis and its products, the RST's stance on the use of cannabis and its products to the government was presented as follows:

1. The government needs to have measures to restrict the use of cannabis and cannabis-containing products for medical purposes only. Moreover, it is crucial to take action to discourage its use for recreational activities. The government also needs to enact measures to curb all forms of media advertising so that they do not serve as a long-term example or visual representation of the widespread use of cannabis and cannabis-containing products among children and young people, as well as the general public.

2. The medical use of cannabis and products containing cannabis must be substantiated by not only internationally acclaimed research results but also empirical evidence demonstrating its true efficacy, safety, and quality before being approved for use on a large scale. Additionally, "Good Agricultural and Collection Practice (GACP)" is required to assure the quality and security of cannabis raw materials for medical applications.

3. The government needs to closely monitor, and be watchful for, adverse events and negative effects related to cannabis and products containing cannabis, following internationally recognized academic principles. Furthermore, the government needs to regulate the abuse of cannabis to prevent long-term problems for health, society, and the nation in the future.

## Activities on the National Thai Language Day, the Year 2022



The National Thai Language Day is observed annually on July 29 based on a cabinet resolution passed on July 13, 1999. The National Thai Language Day was originally an idea proposed by a committee promoting the Thai language, Chulalongkorn University.

One of the most important functions of the Office of the Royal Thai Society (RST) is to preserve the Thai language so that it does not change negatively, and promote the Thai language, which is a national identity, to be more prominent. Meanwhile, the Office of the RST seeks to enhance academic development in the Thai language and Thai dialects. To promote the use of Thai and Thai dialects, the Office of the RST has organized a project to organize academic seminars, competitions, and dissemination through radio broadcasting and online media, in addition to activities on the occasion of the National Thai Language Day, which is annually organized. This has been a part of the project titled “Know and Love the Thai Language” since 2011.







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In the fiscal year 2022, the Office of the RST organized academic forums, competitions, and broadcasts via radio and online media to promote the use of Thai and Thai dialects by organizing a storytelling contest focusing on local pride in a community using standard Thai, Thai dialects in the northern, northeastern, or southern regions, with the participants from different schools in each region. The event was scheduled for the National Thai Language Day in the year 2022 to provide Thai people and young people with knowledge and understanding about the correct use of the Thai language. An academic seminar on “Thai language and Thai dialects in the Land of Rattanakosin 240 years” and the presentation of the Royal Society Awards on the occasion of the National Thai Language Day of the Year 2022 were scheduled for Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at the Rama Gardens, Bangkok. At this event, Mr. Wissanu Krea-ngam, Deputy Prime Minister, was honored to present the awards to the students who won the first prize and runner-up in the storytelling contest in standard Thai and Thai dialects on the theme “Community, Origin, Language, Culture.” Other award recipients included the students who won the first prize and runner-up of the youth Thai language skills competition and those who won the first prize and runner-up of the youth calligraphy competition both at the upper elementary and lower secondary levels. The Deputy Prime minister was honored to deliver a special speech. In addition, the assessment of the academic forums, contests, and dissemination on radio and online media was also conducted to promote the use of Thai and local languages in the year 2022.

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