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The range of research activities carried out in

# 1998







reflects AIT's
diverse fields of
expertise, as it
pursues its
transformation from a
modest graduate
school of engineering
into a research
university of
international repute.





# 1998 IN BRIEF



Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhom graciously granted a Royal Audience on 9 October 1998 to 25 recipients of Their Majesties the King and Queen Scholarships for 1997/98.





Prof. Armand

In mid-1998, a specially constituted Presidential Search Committee began its work in earnest following the resignation of Dr. Roger G. H. Downer in May. The rigorous search culminated with the appointment of Prof. Jean-Louis Armand as the new AIT President. His appointment was announced at

### PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

the January 1999 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Prof. Armand's term of office will begin in May 1999, coinciding with the completion of Prof. Charas Suwanwela's Interim Presidency which began on 17 August 1998.

Prof. Armand, M. Sc., 1968, and Ph.D., 1971, in Aeronautics and Astronautics, from Stanford University, California, brings to AIT extensive experience as a university administrator, a distinguished academic and a senior technology and engineering adviser and consultant to eminent organizations, including the European Parliament, the

Council of Europe and the European Commission. He has been Professor of Applied Mechanics at the University of Aix-Marseille since 1987 and is the founding President of the Institut Méditerranéen de Technologie, Marseille.

Prof. Armand served as President until 1992.

Prof. Armand has written extensively in the fields of applied mechanics, ocean engineering, science and technology policy research evaluation, technology transfer, and related topics. He was awarded a Knighthood (Order of the Legion of Honor) by the French Republic in 1991.

### AIT HONORS FORMER PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT

The Institute conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Technology on former Philippine President, General Fidel V. Ramos, at a ceremony held at the Malacanang Palace in Manila on 20 February 1998.

General Ramos described AIT as
Asia's premier technological institute for
higher-learning, citing the growing number
of Filipino alumni who hold key positions in
the public and private sectors in the
Philippines. M.L. Birabhongse Kasemsri,
Chair of the AIT Board of Trustees, led AIT
officials at the conferment ceremony.



Welcome to Malacanang Palace. Former Philippine President, General Fidel V. Ramos, and Mrs. Amelita Ramos greet Dr. Roger G. H. Downer, former AIT President, as M. L. Birabhongse Kasemsri, Chair of the AIT Board of Trustees, looks on.

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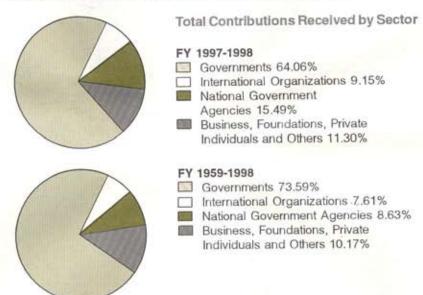
Prof. Charas Suwanwela speaks on AIT's accomplishments and the challenges in the years ahead.

"Global socio-economic changes, the development of national higher education systems in the region, and rapid advancements in science and technology suggest the need for changes in AIT's vision, strategies, management and modes of action.

"To realize AIT's potential to its full extent, these changes must be made in the right direction, and AIT's friends, partners and benefactors must be mobilized. If AIT's potentials are realized, the Institute faces a very prosperous future."

### RESOURCE GENERATION

Total Contributions in FY 1997-1998: Baht 1,000,442,000.-



### STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

### 1998 Student Enrolment

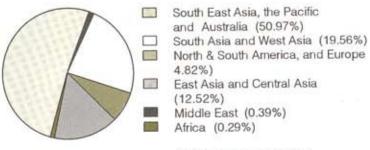
	Jan	May	Sept
Doctoral	213	215	221
Master's	1096	1023	1052
Diploma Other	2	2	1
Programs*	84	94	99
Total	1395	1334	1373

<sup>\*</sup>Certificate of Advanced Studies, Certificate, Special Programs, Bridging Program.

### Degrees Awarded in 1998

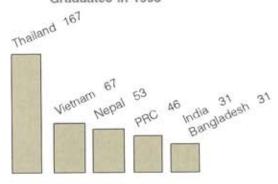
	Apr	Aug	Dec	Total
D.Eng.	5	5	7	17
D.Tech.	Sc. 2	5	2	9
Ph.D.	1	2	2	5
M.Eng.	123	84	93	300
M.Sc.	4	110	37	151
MBA	90		7	97
Dip.AIT		12	1	13
Total	225	218	149	592

### Alumni Distribution by Region of Residence

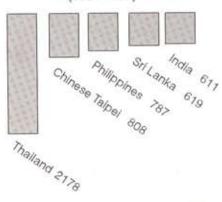


(11.5% residence unknown)

Five Largest Groups of Graduates in 1998



Five Largest Groups of Alumni (1961-1998)



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my great honor and privilege to serve the Presidency of this noble institution during this interim period. I owe this opportunity to the Board of Trustees, especially the Chair and the Chair Emeritus, and I would like to thank them for their trust and confidence. I would also like to acknowledge the understanding and cooperation of the AIT community.

AIT is justifiably proud of its achievements. Firstly, AIT is firmly established as one of the region's few reputable international institutions of higher learning that is committed to the development of Asian countries, through engineering and technology education, research and outreach.

Secondly, the AIT alumni have transformed AIT into an institution whose role in Asia's development truly extends beyond the campus. Large numbers of alumni occupy leadership positions in governments, universities, and private enterprises, helping to build-up infrastructure and human resources in many Asian countries. The alumni's loyalty to AIT is, in my opinion, exceptionally remarkable. I commend the AIT Alumni Association and its national chapters for their dedication and strength.

Thirdly, AIT's management systems and structures have evolved over the years and now represent a basic strength for the Institute. I would like to cite the termly evaluation of academic programs, the careful assessment of students by our



President Charas welcomed H. E. Mr. Pekka Haavisto, Finnish Minister of Environment and International Development Cooperation, and his party to the AIT campus on 24 August 1998. Since the signing of the first AIT/ Finland MoU in 1979, Finland has become one of AIT's largest supporters.

Council of Examiners and Appeal Panel, and the annual evaluation of all faculty. At a campus-wide level, the Senate and its Executive Council and committees provide opportunities for broad participation in the affairs of the Institute.

However, these achievements do not leave room for complacency. AIT is facing serious challenges brought about by global socio-economic changes, the development of national higher education systems in the region, advances in science and technology, as well as the emergence of information technologies. These now necessitate changes in our vision, strategies, management and modes of action.

A top priority of my Interim
Presidency has been a
re-orientation of central administration aimed at coordinating the
work of senior administrators.
Thus, a Vision and Action Team
was organized to provide
concerted collective leadership
and decision-making. The Team
coordinated the iterative development of the Institute's policy
framework, for presentation at
the January 1999 meeting of the

Board. The process, I must point out, brought AIT constituents together to discuss their common future. Policy questions and issues concerning AIT's goals and means were duly addressed. Through discussions in various circles, options for future action were evaluated and the most promising ones selected.

The Vision and Action Team, assisted by the Treasurer, was responsible for the budget formulation process, which aimed to link financial allocation to the Institute's policy and action plan.

Another top priority has been quality assurance. A quality improvement plan, formulated following a series of committee and group discussions, requires existing mechanisms for quality assurance to be made more effective through measurable indicators, reliable information, and fair judgment by accountable committees and panels.

I have also identified as a priority the need for our academic programs to undergo re-engineering in order to make them really effective, flexible,

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dynamic, and innovative. The on-going initiatives in this regard must be strengthened and accelerated. We need to maximize the opportunities offered by new information and communications technologies, and to enhance delivery of distant, experiential, and student-centered modular education. I am happy to report that some members of the AIT faculty are assisting in the development of a curricular and faculty improvement package, designed to assist the quality-upgrading of undergraduate engineering and technological education in Asian universities. Related activities are being discussed in many circles dealing with academic quality.

The quality of our programs and outputs hinges on the quality of our faculty and staff. Consultations paving the way for a major reform of our personnel management have been initiated and are continuing.

On the financial front, we need to improve AIT's revenue so that in addition to operations, it can support investments in facilities, especially scientific and computational equipment, and personnel development. AIT will have to diversify its sources of financing, including, for example, large contracts for research and consultancy projects. The establishment of the AITA-NET, a consortium founded by a core group of alumni investors, together with on-going discussions concerning the formation of AIT Inc., an entrepreneurial arm of

AIT, represent potential sources of new financing.

I cannot disregard the need for efficient management of our existing resources. More than ever, our management information system must be upgraded and put to maximum use, particularly in view of the implementation of the cost center concept, which places the responsibility for decisionmaking and resource generation on the Schools and Centers. On the other hand, we need to recognize that over-emphasizing self-sufficiency of each unit and inappropriate costing of cross-unit functions could create fragmentation and redundancy. To ward off these potential dangers, we have initiated a re-organization of our investment, budgeting, accounting and auditing systems.

Being a dynamic institution, AIT needs to be nurtured by constant improvements in all fronts: personnel, financial and academic management as well as governance.

With its achievements and intrinsic strength, AIT has a great potential to institute changes in the right direction over the coming years. I wish it a very prosperous future.



Prof. Charas has played a key role in the introduction and development of higher education, not only in Thailand but worldwide. Prof. Charas is a member of the UNESCO Advisory Committee on Higher Education and the Steering Committee of the World Conference on Higher Education, which was held in Paris in October 1998. His other international positions include chairmanship of the Executive Board of the Council on Health Research for Development and membership on the Executive Board of the International Clinical Epidemiology Network, the Council of Global Forum for Health Research, and the Administrative Board of the International Association of Universities.

In Thailand, Prof. Charas is particularly known for initiatives that led to breakthroughs and innovations in the way medicine is taught and practised in the country. Prof. Charas has devoted much of his career to Chulalongkorn University, serving as the first Director of the Institute of Health Research, first Vice-President for Research Affairs, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Director of Chulalongkorn Hospital, and as twoterm University President from 1989 to 1996. Prof. Charas' presidency is particularly remembered for its commitment to intensifying the internationalization of Chulalongkorn University, promoting programs for moral and ethical education, and encouraging the arts and culture.

Chang,

Prof. Charas Suwanwela President

# **ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENTS**

### **NEW VENTURES**

### Medical Technology R&D

The Institute's first-ever medical technology R&D project is underway in the Industrial Systems Engineering (ISE) Program in the School of Advanced Technologies. It is being carried out in collaboration with the Division of Biomechanics and Engineering Design, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium.

The R&D project concerns the design and production of medical devices based on digital medical images, such as those acquired using computer tomography (CT) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans. The images are imported into computer-aided design software to produce computer models of the bones of individual patients. The data provide the basis for custom-designing orthopaedic implants and medical tools. These include advanced cutting



A drill guide to assist spine surgeons during pedicle screw insertion. The design is based on CT images.

and drilling guides which are used to ensure optimal fit with selected sections of specific bones. The project will also evaluate CAD applications in the production of plastic sockets used to attach limb-restoring prostheses.

At a later stage, research in semi-automatic design of tumor replacement implants and the design of low-cost limb-restoring prostheses will be introduced at the Master's level.

A rapid prototyping machine for the actual production of medical devices will be installed at the ISE laboratory.

The four-year project, which is funded by the Belgian Administration for Development Cooperation, is supporting the secondment of a Belgian expert and a Ph.D. scholarship. Another Ph.D. scholarship has been provided by the National Metal and Materials Technology Center under the National Science and Technology Development Agency of Thailand.



Design of a custom-made orthopaedic implant for total knee replacement (metal backing of a tibial component), based on CT images.

### Distributed Education Center

The establishment of the Distributed Education Center supports the delivery of AIT courses off campus, using latest information technologies.

In 1998 the newly established center was engaged in the planning, design and implementation of the Web Class on demand pilot project. Two courses, computer-aided design of production systems and inventory management, offered by the Industrial Systems Engineering (ISE) Program, were used as experimental courses. The Web application utilizes a LAN-based multimedia delivery concept with enhanced user's interactivity. The prototype of the developed application was demonstrated to ISE students at AIT and the AIT Center Vietnam in Hanoi.

The center is also currently involved in the design and development of the integrated tool box Web application project. The aim is to integrate all necessary Web-based course development tools for different types of data, such as text audio, video and collaborative data into a single application environment called integrated toolbox.

### **NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS**

### Microelectronics

The proliferation of new generation products embedded with intelligent microchips, micro sensors and micro actuators attests to the semiconductor industry's growing need for improved expertise and technological capability in the production and operation of microelectronic devices and systems.

A proposed Master's Program in Microelectronics Program, to be launched in May 2000, responds to this need.

Microelectronics will be offered in collaboration with Thailand's National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC) under the National Science and Technology Development Agency. A course structure for the academic program is under development by a joint task force composed of faculty from the School of Advanced Technologies, NECTEC researchers, and representatives from the Thailand Graduate Institute of Science and Technology. Inputs will be provided by international experts from the academe and industry.

A series of workshops, seminars and training activities are planned in 1999, starting with the Microelectronics Initiative Workshop in January.

### Biotechnology via Distance Learning

Jointly with Wageningen
Agricultural University in the
Netherlands, AIT launched the
delivery by distance of a
Master's Program in Biotechnology, at a ceremony presided
over by The Prince de Lignac on
2 November 1998.

The first two courses to be delivered by distance are plant molecular biology, focusing on latest developments in genetic engineering in plants, and agrification, pertaining to the application of bioprocess technology in agriculture and food production. These will be followed by the delivery of industrial microbiology and enzyme and DNA technologies.

A complete biotechnology curriculum for transmission by Internet and satellite is expected within the next two years.

### **ACRD Program**

To enhance administrative efficiency, a review of the Schools' structures is underway. The review is aimed at consolidating programs, fields of study and areas of specialization.

In 1998, three fields of study in the School of Environment, Resources and Development were merged to form the Agriculture, Conservation and Rural Development (ACRD) Program. The merged fields of study were Rural and Regional Development Planning, Natural Resources Conservation, and Agricultural Systems.

### Ph.D. in Urban Environmental Management

By the year 2020, over 50 percent of the world's population is expected to reside in urban areas, many of which will be the size of mega-cities with population in excess of 10 million.

The Ph.D. Program in Urban Environmental Management responds to the need to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to solve problems arising from rapid urbanization. It focuses on management and planning, social sciences. systems analysis and modeling, analytical techniques, and environmental sciences and technology. Potential responses such as decentralization, deregulation and privatization of urban facilities and services require careful evaluation. Cities have unique opportunities to develop and implement local solutions to many of these problems.

The Ph.D. curriculum emphasizes theory as well as practice, linking the academic world with real-life issues defined by communities and the private and public sectors. The Ph.D. doctoral dissertation emphasizes a mastery of different theoretical approaches and methods.

Scholarships and financial assistance have been made available by the Canadian Universities Consortium (CUC), the Japanese Government and other donors. CUC scholarships are awarded to qualified students from South East Asia to support their first two years of studies. Subsequent support will come from student employment in a UEM research project or in a sponsored research project.

# **STUDENTS**

### **ENROLMENT RECORD**

### 1998 Student Enrolment

by Program	mm			BUILD	
	Jan	May	Sept	1998 Average	1997 Average
Doctoral	213	215	221	217	196
Master's	1096	1023	1052	1057	940
Diploma	2	2	1	2	1
Other Programs*	84	94	99	92	108
	1395	1334	1373	1368	1245
Total Degree Enrolment	1309	1238	1273	1274	1136
Doctoral Enrolment as a percentage of Total Degree Enrolment	16.2%	17.3%	17.3%	17%	17.2%

- \*Including Bridging, Certificate of Advanced Studies, Certificate and Special Program.
- In 1998, Master's students accounted for some 77% of the annual average enrolment.
- The Doctoral enrolment reached an annual average of 217, representing 17% of the total degree program enrolment, a level similar to the previous year but still below the 20% target set by the Board of Trustees.

### APPLICATION TRENDS

The 1998 total of 3809 applications represented a 10% increase from the previous year, with the number of applications received for the September term being the largest.

The average application-tointake ratio of 4.7 is higher than last year's. A placement ratio of one student per five applicants

### Applications Received in 1998

January	1412
May	980
September	1417
Total	3809

was maintained during the May and September terms.

SHARRE	Jan	May	Sept
Argentina	1	1	1
Australia	1	1	1
Azerbaijan	2	2	
Bangladesh	70	62	57
Belgium	2	1	2
Bhutan	2	3	3
Cambodia	61	50	50
Canada	1	3	2
Chinese Taipei	28	19	28
Denmark		1.	
Finland	2	2	7
France	3	2	5
Germany	11	10	2
India	63	59	50
Indonesia	44	37	29
Iran	4	4	4
Japan	11	7	9
Kazakhstan	9	8	7
Korea	10	9	8
Kyrghyzstan	2	1	3
Laos	38	38	57
Lebanon			1
Malaysia	6	4	2
Mongolia	12	8	9
Myanmar	61	63	59
Nepal	109	93	86
Norway	2		
Pakistan	41	36	36
PNG	1	1	1
Philippines	47	41	36
PRC	94	74	76
Peru	1	1	1
Solomon Island	s 1	- 1	1
Sri Lanka	53	49	41
Sweden		1	
Switzerland	2	2	2
Thailand	466	477	543
Tuvalu	1	1	1
USA	2	1	2
Uzbekistan	1	1	12.00
Vietnam	130	157	148
Stateless		3	3

	Jan	May	Sept
Advance	d Techno	logies	
	201	337	321
Civil Eng	ineering		
	303	179	305
Environm	ent, Res	ources	
and D	evelopme	int	
	599	591	431
Manager	ment		
	292	227	316
Total	1395	1334	1373

Excluding PCAD trainees and

TALKBASE students

Women accounted for some 30% of the average annual enrolment in 1998, with the School of Environment, Resources and Development and the School of Management accounting for the largest number of women enrolees.

In the September 1998 term, women enrolees accounted for 44% of all students from Thailand, 10% of all students from Vietnam, 8% from the People's Republic of China, 7% from Myanmar, 5% from Indonesia and 4% from the Philippines.

### 1998 Women Enrolment\*

School	Jan	May	Sept
Advanced	Techno	logies	
	26.4	25.9	26.4
Civil Engir	eering		
DOUBLE COM SAL		12.5	12
Environme	nt, Reso	urces	
and Devel			
		36.7	38.3
Managem	ent		
	35.6	36.5	39.5

(as a percentage of total enrolment for each school)

### STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Office of the Dean of Student and Community Affairs (DSCA), working closely with the Student Union, provides a wide range of services to the student community. Arrangements have been put in place for student counselling, medical care, housing accommodation, faculty/student liaison, and safety and security.

The Student Union carries out a variety of enrichment programs through social, cultural and sports activities. Responsibility for the Student Union rests with the General Assembly and the Executive Council led by the Union President.

Student Union activities range from cultural activities to debates, literary contests to study trips, and other activities on- and off-campus.

### EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Technology and Job
Fairs, organized by the
DSCA, assist graduating
students in penetrating the
employment market. About
20 to 25 multinational companies participate in each fair,
to recruit new employees as
well as to promote their
products, services and
technical expertise.

The search for employment opportunities through e-mail exchanges is a new facet of the Technology and Job Fairs. In the future, an exhibition of student research will be organized to complement the product and technology exhibit of participating companies. The fairs also facilitate the Institute's initiatives in developing partnerships with industry.





AIT has been forging an extensive network of Institutional linkages throughout the world. Through student exchange programs, AIT offers valuable opportunities to spread knowledge in various disciplines and to promote international understanding among diverse nationality groups. Some of these exchange programs are featured in these pages.

### International Partnerships for Education

### Postgraduate Technological Studies Program

The Postgraduate Technological Studies (PTS) Program signed by AIT and the European Commission (EC) in September 1997 supports the advanced technology education of postgraduate students from Asia and the European Union.

Explaining the PTS objectives, H.E. Mr. Michel Caillouët, Ambassador-Head of the EC Delegation to Thailand, says, "The European Union is working hard to develop closer relations and cooperation with Asia in order to bring mutual benefits. Asia, the world's most dynamic region, has excellent long-term growth prospects. On the other hand, the European Union, the world's largest single market with 370 million inhabitants, accounts for one-fifth of the world's trade and is at the cutting edge of modern technology. If we can develop mutual understanding between our respective societies, the potential for cooperation is limitless."

The first group of students from the European Union joined the Master's program at AIT in September 1998. An essential part of their studies is a one-term internship at a university or a research center in South or Southeast Asia. In the same year, the first group of selected AIT students traveled to the European Union for a one-term internship in a university or a research center. They also used this period to gather data for their Master's research project and to be acquainted with the academic and research world in the European Union as well as with European cultures.



Miss Beatriz Gonzalez Manchon, 27, is a PTS scholar from Spain and a former junior expert at the EC Delegation in Bangkok. She says, \*The Gender and Development Studies Program will help me to consolidate my Asian experience. The curriculum is interesting, challenging and progressive. I am interested in forming new perspectives on development issues, particularly on the roles of men and women in Asian societies and how these roles influence the management of natural resources, the direction and pace of socio-economic development and other aspects of the development process."



Mr. Kristian Forars, 27, a PTS scholar from Finland and a graduate from Vasa Swedish Polytechnic, joined the Structural Engineering and Construction Program for two reasons, "I wanted to gain new expertise in structural engineering and, at the same time, to study in Asia in an international environment." It has been a good experience. according to Mr. Forars, who has overcome the initial hurdles of settling down to a new environment and is looking forward to commencing his thesis research.

### Institutions in the European Union hosting PTS Asian Students:

### Austria

Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien)

### Belgium

University of Antwerp University of Gembloux Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Universite Libre de Bruxelles (ULB)

Solvay School of Commerce, ULB

### Denmark

Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Frederiksberg

### Finland

Helsinki University of Technology Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration Technical Research Center of

Finland (VTT)

### France

Center de Cooperation Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Developpement (CIRAD) Electricite de France, Paris Ecole Superieure de Commerce

Ecole Superieure de Commerce de Paris (ESCP) Centre d'etudes Spatiales de la Biosphere (CESBIO), Toulouse

Institut d'Economie et de Politique de l'Energie (IEPE), Grenoble

### Germany

University of Kassel
Technical University of Berlin
University of Stuttgart
Dresden University of Technology
Technical University of
Braunschweig

Institute for Cereal, Potato and Starch Technology, Detmold

### Greece

Institute of Computer Science, Crete

### Italy

Space Applications Institute/Joint Research Center, Ispra University of Rome "La Sapienza"

### The Netherlands

Delft University of Technology Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam Wageningen Agricultural University

University of Maastricht

### Portugal National Li

National Library of Portugal, Lisboa

### Sweden

Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Uppsala

### United Kingdom

University of Surrey University of Strathclyde University of Southampton Cranfield University European School of Management

(EAP Oxford)

### Interdisciplinary Program in Mechatronics

The Interdisciplinary Program in Mechatronics is offered jointly with the Technical University of Hamburg-Harburg, Germany, with support from Siemens, AG, and Siemens, Thailand.

The first group of seven Asian students was admitted in May 1997, spending the first term at AIT followed by a year's stay at TUHH to complete the credit requirements for course work. The students have returned to AIT to carry out thesis research. One student graduated in December 1998 and is now working for Siemens, while the six others are expected to graduate in April 1999. The second group of six Asian students is now enroled at TUHH.

The first group of four German students arrived at AIT in October 1997 for 10 months of research study and industrial training in Thailand. The second group is expected to join AIT in September 1999.

Siemens provides scholarship support and training opportunities to both Asian and German students, and sponsors the secondment of short-term experts and provision of equipment.

Plans are underway to expand the program.



Mr. Charoen Rompet, 36, is Head of the Mechatronics Division at Rajamangala Institute of Technology (Nonthaburi campus). \*TUHH has exposed me to the way research is supported and conducted in Germany and given me valuable insights into my research, Hybrid of Global and Local Path Planning for Mobile Robot.

\*The AIT/TUHH curriculum is well-organized, and with some modifications, it can be used in our own program at RIT.\*



# Miss Atika Kongwittayapanit, 22, an electrical engineer by training, joined the Mechatronics Program because of her interest in automation and control systems as an area of

The AIT/TUHH program familiarized her with advanced research equipment and computer facilities that she used in carrying out her research, Locomotion Control for a Six-Legged Robot.

research.

"I hope that the AIT/TUHH program will facilitate real technology transfer through research," she says.

### STUDENTS

### Visiting Researchers

The Asian Center for Research on Remote Sensing (ACRoRS) and the Space Technology Applications and Research (STAR) Program collaborate with universities and research organizations in exchange programs for visiting researchers.



Mr. Yasue Shigetaka, 25, a computer scientist and programmer in the GIS Section of Chuo Mapping Co., Ltd. in Japan, is involved in the development of mountain and city area maps.



Mr. Horst-Dieter Heitmann, 26, is on a three-month internship at ACRORS as part of his study program in Applied Systems Science at the University of Osnabrück, Germany. He is working on a project to link sea surface temperature. obtained from AVHRR satellite data, with the weather and heat island phenomena of Bangkok. \*Professionally and personally, I am grateful for the opportunity to be here. I am very interested in Southeast Asia. I feel that I have learned a lot about Asian culture and values."



Dr. Hansa
Vathananukij is a member of the Faculty of Engineering, Kasetsart University.
She is currently researching NOAA satellite data applications to studies of the Lower Chao Phraya River Basin, the Songkla Lake and His Majesty the King's Royal Projects.

Dr. Hansa graduated from the University of Tokyo, where she met her mentor, Prof. Shunji Murai, Coordinator of the STAR Program and a respected international authority in remote sensing and GIS technologies.

### Interdisciplinary Mechatronics Program

Mr. Wei Xiaozhou, 26, speaks highly of the good communication channels between students and faculty at TUHH. He says, 'Dialoguing is emphasized, meaning that students learn a lot.' He would like to have longer onthe-job training with German industry combined with classroom study. Back at AIT, he is completing his research, Sensor Based Navigation Device Design.



Mr. Vinayak Divate,
24, is engaged in research
that involves robotics,
image processing, robot
vision, and software
building. It is entitled
Assembly of Robot Vision
Cell. "The AIT/TUHH
program gave me so much
technologically and
culturally. The lectures are
a good combination of
Asian and European
knowledge and expertise."



Mr. Muhammad Azeem Ashraf, 30, is currently involved in a research, Development of an Open Architecture Control for a Three-Axis CNC Milling Machine.

"I hope that the AIT/
TUHH Mechatronics
Program will improve my
communication skills, guide
my career planning, and
familiarize me with new
technologies. So far, I am
pleased with the results."



### Special Program for Thyssen-Krupp Managers

The School of Management is participating in the international training program offered by the Germany-based multinational Thyssen-Krupp to its young managers: SOM exposes the Thyssen-Krupp managers to Asian business and industry through such courses as International Human Resources Management, Cross Cultural Management, International Joint Ventures and Negotiations. Technical Transfer of Technology, Business-to-Business Marketing, and the Asian Business Environment.



Mr. Christian
Fischer is Deputy
Managing Director of
Polymer Solution Co. Ltd. in
Bangkok, a joint venture
between Thyssen and the
Gaysorn Group. Mr. Fischer
will remain in Thailand for
another two to three years,
giving him ample opportunity
to put his SOM training into
practical use.



Mr. Christophe Kaczorwski, 33, is Export Project Manager at Thyssen Ascenseurs in France.



Mr. Dong-Hun Jung, 32, is a project engineer at Thyssen Nothelfer Gmbh in Wadern and a resident of Germany for the past 17 years. He finds management subjects a good complement to his technical background and is particularly enthusiastic about the practical applications of negotiation and joint venture courses. These courses, he says, have helped him to build new business contacts and given him a better appreciation of the Asian market.



Mr. Di-Chuan Sheng, 40, an engineer at Johann A. Krause Maschinenfabrik Gmbh, based in Bremen, Germany, says he has gained insights into the philosophy of Asian marketing. "Asians are very polite but not direct. While this may not be difficult in the early stages of negotiation, it becomes more critical as we approach project execution."

Mr. Sheng considers SOM a great opportunity to build contacts with the Asian market and to promote his company.

He suggests greater participation of high-level managers from industry in SOM seminars, and the inclusion of courses on interfaces to American and European markets, in addition to the Asian market.

### SOM Exchange Students



Miss Helene Marchal, 23, a third year student from Ecole Superieure de Commerce de Paris or ESCP (the Paris Graduate School of Management), finds the SOM focus on academic research a good balance to the ESCP emphasis on professional interactions with business and industry.



Miss Nguyen Hoai-Huong Noëlle Truong, 22, a fourth year Law student at the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, believes that a management background is ideal for an aspiring corporate legal advisor.



Mr. Sera Loimas, a fourth year Marketing student at the Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration, is following SOM courses that deal with different aspects of international trade and business.

# **GRADUATES**

### They spoke to the 1998 graduates







"To maintain the vitality and dynamism of our region over the long-term, free and open debates on issues that affect all of us must be encouraged. We have come a sufficiently long way to begin asking the kinds of questions that will prepare our societies for development, not only in the technical sense of the word, but in its truest sense: development as liberation from want, fear, suffering - from all limitations."

H. E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Thailand, elaborating on Asia's coming of age, at the 82nd graduation on 23 April.

"Do not be desirous to have things done hastily; do not look at small advantages. The desire to have things done quickly prevents their being done thoroughly. Looking at small advantages prevents great affairs from being accomplished."

Mr. Lee Seng Tee, Director of the Lee Foundation, speaking on the search for success and fulfillment at the 83rd graduation on 14 August.

"It is impossible to impose global standards on every aspect of life."

Mr. Yoshiro Takasaki, Chairman of Toyo Seikan Kaisha Ltd., Japan, cautioning Asian countries from blindly adopting Western standards and practices in business, industry and other sectors, at the 84th graduation on 18 December.

### 1998 GRADUATE RECORD

The Institute awarded degrees to 592 graduates in 1998, bringing the total number of alumni since 1961 to 9259. There were 144 graduates from SAT, 132 from SCE, 216 from SERD, and 100 from SOM. By nationality, the five largest groups of graduates came from Thailand, Vietnam, Nepal, PRC, and India.

	Apr	Aug	Dec	Tota
D.Eng.	5	5	7	17
D.Tech. Sc.	2	5	2	9
Ph.D.	1	2	2	5
M.Eng.	123	84	93	300
M.Sc.	4	110	37	151
MBA	90		7	97
Dip.AIT		12	1	13
Total	225	218	149	592

	Apr	Aug	Dec	Tota
School of	Advar	ced T	echno	logies
CSIM	2	8	46	56
ISE		12	44	56
TC			32	32
School of	Civil E	ngine	ering	
GTE	33			33
SEC	67	1	2	70
WEM	27	1	1	25
AFE ACRD AARM BPT Energy	1	16 22 16 37	3 2 3 4	19 26 20 39
FE	2	35	3	40
Gendev		4		
HSD	1	23		2
STAR	1	29		30
UEM		12		13
School o	f Mana	gemer	nt	
IB	62	1	6	6
IU				
MT	28	1	2	3

by Country				
	Apr	Aug	Dec	Total
Azerbaijan		2		2
Bangladesh	12	15	4	31
Bhutan		2		2
Cambodia	14	10		24
Chinese Taipei	10		3	13
India	9	14	8	31
Indonesia	10	11	6	27
Japan	5			5
Kazakhstan		1		1
Kyrghyzstan	1			1
Korea	1	3	1	5
Laos	5	6	2	13
Malaysia	2	2		4
Mongolia	3	1	4	8
Myanmar	8	11	7	26
Nepal	20	25	8	53
Pakistan	9	4	5	18
PRC	22	8	16	46
Philippines	7	11	4	22
Solomon Islan	ds		1	1
Sri Lanka	9	11	4	24
Thailand	66	43	58	167
Uzbekistan		1		1
Vietnam	12	37	18	67
Total	225	218	149	592

Top photos, first row: H.E. Dr. Surin and Mr. Lee Second row: Mr. Takasaki

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### GRADUATION AWARDEES

### April

### Mr. Hem Nath Ghimire

(SCE, GTE) Nepal Deeswasmongkol Prize

### Mr. Sushil Kumar Chaudhary

(SCE, GTE) Nepal Chin Fung Kee Prize

### Mr. Ian C. Espada

(SCE, GTE) Philippines Barbara and John Hugh Jones Prize

### Mr. Andi

(SCE, SEC) Indonesia Mahesh Varma Prize

### Mr. Varameth Vichiensan

(SCE, SEC) Thailand Hisamatsu Prize

### Mr. Paiboon Tirasit

(SCE, SEC) Thailand Aoyagi Prize

### Mr. Su Yunsheng

(SCE, WEM) PRC Hodaka Prize

### Mr. Rupan Kanti Das

(SCE, WEM) Bangladesh Alastair M. North Prize

### Mr. Le Hung Nam

(SCE, WEM) Vietnam Sukum Navapan Prize

### Mr. Rajeev Ranjan

(SOM, MT) India Haider Razvi Prize

### Mr. Sanjoy Das

(SOM, IB) India Wilhelm Hill Prize

### Mr. D. S. Chetiya P. Perera

(SOM, MT) Sri Lanka Wilhelm Hill Prize

### Mr. Wasique Waheed Chaudhry

(SOM, MT) Pakistan Sandeep Mohapatra Memorial Prize

### Ms. Suwannee Sirisuknuntadech

(SOM, IB) Thailand Mahesh Varma Prize Hiromichi Seya Prize

### Ms. Taruna Gupta

(SOM, IB) India Mahesh Varma Prize Hiromichi Seya Prize

# August

Mr. Hoang Tung (SERD, AAS) Vietnam Chintana Boonthamjinda Memorial Prize

### Mr. Nagarajan Ramalingam

(SERD, AFE) India Y. Y. Kishida Prize

### Mr. Sabin Raj Maskey

(SERD, BPT) Nepal Albert Stevens Prize

### Mr. Herath M. Wijekoon Banda

(SERD, Energy) Śri Lanka James A. Linen III Memorial Prize

### Mr. Keshab Raj Sharma

(SERD, EE) Nepal Robert B. Banks Prize

### Mr. Phatta Bahadur Thapa

(SERD, EE) Nepal Robert B. Banks Prize

### Mr. Nobbir Ahmed

(SERD, HSD) Bangladesh Sukum Navapan Prize

### Mr. Dinesh Manandhar

(SERD, STAR) Nepal Tim Kendall Memorial Prize

### Ms. Pawar Dhamshree Bhagwat

(SERD, UEM) India Hisamatsu Prize

### Ms. Vasuhi Rasanayagam

(SERD, BPT) Sri Lanka Yoh Kurosawa Prize

### Note: The entries in parentheses indicate the graduates' respective Schools and Programs. Background

information on graduation award sponsors is provided on page 51 of the Appendix.

### December

### Mr. Le Chi Tuan

(SAT, CSIM) Vietnam Hisamatsu Prize

### Miss Mayuree Srikulwong

(SAT, CSIM) Thailand Hisamatsu Prize Shoichiro Toyoda Prize

### Mr. Truong Hoang Tu

(SAT, ISE) Vietnam James A. Linen III Memorial Prize

### Mr. Nguyen Thi Hong Minh

(SAT, ISE) Vietnam Tim Kendall Memorial Prize

### Mr. Padam Lal Kafle

(SAT, TC) Nepal Telecom-Finland Prize







# ALUMNI

### Mr. Surendra Shrestha, AITAA President, reports:

\* After several years' discussion and the commissioning in 1997 of a feasibility study, the AIT Alumni Association, at its 1998 annual general meeting in Manila, approved the formation of a new international development consortium to be called AIT Alumni Network Limited (AITA-NET Ltd.). The Board of Directors is chaired by Dr. Subin Pinkayan, alumnus of Class 1 and former member of the AIT faculty.

"The AITA-NET Ltd. is an independent for-profit company registered in Hong Kong. It constitutes a consultancy network of more than 9,000 alumni in almost all Asian countries, together with their

### AIT ALUMNI GO FOR IT

The AITA-NET has been created to organize alumni as a cohesive network of consultants, researchers and contracting engineers - a new development consortium.

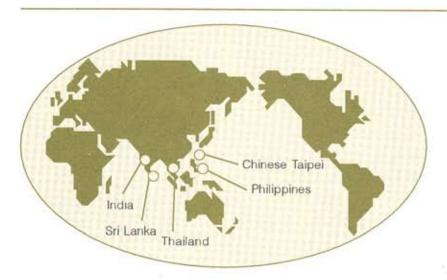
companies and with the current members of the AIT Faculty.

"The wide geographical distribution, broad portfolio of skills, and assurance of excellence, make AITA-NET a cogent Asian resource.

\*With regard to support for AIT, as well as any dividend return by the possibility of a shareholding, AIT will receive as an endowment donation 10% of the AITA-NET profit. In this way, the AITA-NET will create a new form of alumni support for their Alma Mater, one which is appropriate to this region and is sure to excite interest in many other universities worldwide.

### AITA-NET Objectives:

- To compete for national, regional and sub-regional projects in Asia;
- To place project contracts in such a way that quality implementation is assured and member companies are supported and improved in the process;
- To assist AIT by marketing its services, placing personal consultancies with Faculty and Staff, providing financial endowment.



### The five largest groups of AIT alumni are from

Thailand	2178
Chinese Taipei	808
Philippines	787
Sri Lanka	619
India	611

### Alumni Distribution

Advanced Technologies	1754
Civil Engineering	3084
Environment, Resources	
and Development	3867
Management	554
Total	9259

by Degree	
D. Eng.	213
D. Tech, Sc. Ph,D.	70 32
M. Eng. M. Sc.	5897 2266
MBA	546
Diploma	235
Total	9259



AITAA President, Mr. Surendra Shrestha (right), and AITA-NET Executive Director, Dr. Alastair North, consulting with AIT faculty, Dr. K. Honda, and Dr. K. Seetharam (IEM '86), an evaluation specialist at the Asian Development Bank.

\* In addition, AITA-NET will provide personal consultancies for AIT faculty and staff. AITA-NET application for consultancy will not compete with other faculty consultancies, but will open a new window of opportunity for this important and rewarding activity.

Former AIT President, Dr. Alastair M. North, has been appointed as AITA-NET Executive Director, and an office established in the Outreach Building on campus.

AIT and the alumni body look forward to the start of project work and to the visible, ever-increasing collaboration between alumni and the Institute. "

### 27th AITAA **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

The 27th Governing Board Meeting of the AIT Alumni Association (AITAA) was held on 19-22 February 1998 in Manila. It was hosted by AITAA-Philippines under the leadership of Chapter President, Dr. Primitivo Cal (CRD '70). and GBM organizers, Mr. Anthony S.F. Chiu (IEM '88) and Ms. Fe N. Ferriols (CS '82).

In his speech, M.L. Birabhongse Kasemsri, Chair of the AIT Board of Trustees, expressed his personal interest in the work of all AIT alumni and extended his appreciation for the AITAA's achievements.

By far the most well attended annual alumni meeting, the 27th GBM provided a meaningful backdrop for the conferment of the AIT Honorary Degree of Doctor of Technology on former Philippine President, General Fidel V. Ramos.

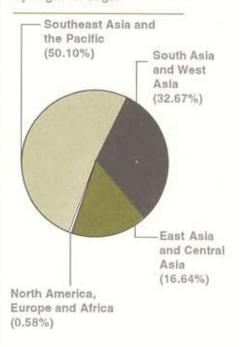
The 1999 AITAA GBM and homecoming will be held in Thailand. Other future venues are India (2000) and Indonesia (2001).

### by Nationality

### Southeast Asia and the Pacific 10 Brunei Cambodia 73 Indonesia 461 Laos 47 Malaysia 279 Maldives 3 201 Myanmar Papua New Guinea 9 Philippines 787 Singapore 28 Solomon Islands Thailand 2178 Tonga Vietnam 560 4639 Sub-total

FEET SARESTINE	2277		
South Asia and			
West Asia		North America,	
Afghanistan	19	Europe	
Bangladesh	610	and Africa	
Bhutan	15	Belgium	1
India	611	Bolivia	1
Iran	12	Canada	5
Nepal	551	Egypt	1
Pakistan	582	Ethiopia	1
Sri Lanka	619	Finland	2
Turkey	6	France	4
Sub-total	3025	Germany	2
		Ghana	2
East Asia		Honduras	1
and Central Asia		Kenya	4
Azerbaijan	2	Malawi	3
Hong Kong	87	Netherlands	2
Japan	60	Nigeria	1
Kazakhstan	6	Sweden	2
Republic of Korea	122	Tanzania	8
Kyrghyzstan	1	UK	2
Macau	7	USA	11
Mongolia	18	Zambia	1
PRC	429	Sub-total	54
Chinese Taipei	808	The state of the s	2000
Uzbekistan	1	Total	9259
Sub-total	1541	101 17 4 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7 5 7	

### by Region of Origin



# **FACULTY**

### 1998 FACULTY WORKSHOP

The need for an external academic quality audit (AQA) was strongly endorsed at the 1998 Faculty Workshop, which was organized by the Institute's Educational Development Working Group (EDWG) in the first quarter of the year.

To provide an impetus to School-based efforts to implement AQA and to develop AQA processes and documentation appropriate to AIT, the EDWG proposed an on-campus workshop to be led by an external resource person with AQA experience in other universities.

Over 60 faculty and senior administrators attended the 1998 Faculty Workshop, making it the largest such gathering todate.

The workshop focused principally on three issues: diversity of teaching, learning and assessment at AIT; educational technology and distance education, and its impact on practice at AIT; and language and communication at AIT.

The workshop covered diverse issues, including mechanisms to encourage the development of Web-based courseware; collaborative School/CLET approaches to writing up research, language-across-the-curriculum, shorter assignments focusing on quality rather than quantity, and course support teams with the aim of building communication skills; IT literacy and academic literacy together with the more traditional goal of disciplinary competence.

The workshop acknowledged the EDWG's central role in supporting and promoting the adoption of diverse approaches to teaching and learning at AIT.

The Curriculum Innovation Award, under the aegis of the Office of the Vice President (Academic) and the EDWG is clearly a success, with several Faculty Workshop presenters using the award for developing state-of-the-art courseware. However, it should be re-oriented toward group awards, thus reinforcing the need for innovations to be sustainable.

The formation of special interest groups and the organization of seminars on educational development issues are some mechanisms proposed by the EDWG to foster and sustain an excitement about what AIT faculty are doing as professional educators.

# ACADEMIC QUALITY MANAGEMENT

The introduction of total quality management complements current efforts to maintain a culture of academic excellence throughout the Institute.

Mechanisms for monitoring academic standards and appropriate teaching and learning environments have been incorporated in a conceptual framework developed by the Vice President (Academic), allowing full development of the students' potentials. The conceptual framework encompasses various dimensions of quality and covers the quality of

students, faculty, educational and research processes, facilities and various support services.

As spelt out in the conceptual framework, three issues are central to quality assurance at AIT.

The first of these is a review of procedures currently used to manage academic quality (that is, the quality of programs, methods of instruction, and all other pertinent areas), and to develop new procedures as necessary.

The second is the need to ascertain the effectiveness of quality control procedures, and provide feedback for improvement.

The third is to monitor academic quality management through a quality assurance committee.

The conceptual framework for total quality management has been presented to the Educational Development Working Group and the School Fora. Feedback and reactions have been solicited and will be incorporated in the final framework.

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### 1998 Student-to-Faculty Ratio\*

School	Jan	May	Sept	Average
Advanced Technologies**	8.19	13.30	12.29	11.26
Civil Engineering	10.02	5.76	10.54	8.77
Environment, Resources and Development	8.89	8.64	5.54	7.69
Management	19.99	15.69	19.94	18.54
All Schools	10.16	9.67	9.41	9.71

1998 Faculty Headcount

	Jan	May	Sept	Average
Full-time Faculty:	138.65	139.32	145.54	141.17
- Direct-hire	(97.32)	(95.99)	(101.71)	(98.34)
- Seconded	(41.33)	(43.33)	(43.83)	(42.83)
Part-time Faculty:	76	81	80	78,99
- Short-term Visiting	(16)	(8)	(10)	(11.33
- Associated	(42)	(49)	(48)	(46.33)
- Affiliated	(15)	(17)	(16)	(16.00)
- Adjunct	(3)	(7)	(6)	(5.33)
Total	214.65	220.32	225.54	220.16

\*Based on student headcount and full-time faculty equivalent, the 1998 average student-to-faculty ratio was 9.7, exceeding the 9.0 target ratio set by the Board of Trustees.

Higher loads of degree-level teaching and student supervision loads were reported by faculty from the School of Management and the School of Advanced Technologies.

\*\* Including 25 students taught at AITCV in Hanoi.

### 1998 Report on Academic Activities

	SAT	SCE	SERD	SOM	CEC	CLAIR	CLET	RCC	1998 Total	
Publications* Journal Papers	29	21	118	35		2	6	3351	211	203
Conference Papers/Proceedings		57	167	21		8	19		316	276
Research Reports	2	7	45	-			1,0		54	67
Books/Chapters in Books	3	4	22	13					39	58
Others**	16	6	27	1	1	16	5		72	79
	94	92	379	70	1	26	30	Will	692	683
Sponsored and Grant Research										
Completed Projects	4	13	44	4	4	3		3	75	70
On-going Projects	22	9	93	6	1	3		3	135	159
	26	22	137	10	5	6		6	210	229
Continuing Education Activities										
Conferences	1	1	- 6			1	1		10	10
Workshops	3	2	24		4		5		38	23
Seminars	14	7	30	22	2	4	3		82	45
Short Courses	1	2	28		51	5			87	26
Special Lectures				7					7	7
Others***			9		9		2		20	133
	19	12	97	29	66	10	11	MIN	244	248

<sup>\*</sup>In 1998, the number of publications, a total of 692, increased slightly from the 1997 figure, with journal papers accounting for 30% of the total output.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Monographs, Working Papers, Consultancy Reports, Reviews, Academic Unit Research Reports, Occasional Papers, Newsletters, Reference Materials, Handbooks, Lecture Notes, Serial Publications, Databases, Technical Notes, etc.
\*\*\*Study Trips, Special Projects, etc.

# RESEARCH

The transition from a teaching university to a laudable research university that emphasizes research-based education is a typical development in the growth of graduate institutions and AIT is no exception.

The Institute adopts a team approach in its research pursuits in various disciplines. Some of the world's largest industries and educational institutions have become AIT's research collaborators, reflecting growing international confidence in the Institute's research capabilities.

The establishment of the Geoinformatics Center, housing the Asian Center for Research on Remote Sensing and the GIS Applications Center, creates new opportunities to expand AIT's high technology research. So does a water management R&D project in Asia and the Pacific, signed in 1998 with the French multinational Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux. The three-year project, valued at US\$ 1 million, will study hydrology and water quality, the protection of water resources, and the development of state-of-the-art tools for simulating catchments. rivers, lakes, and estuaries.

A complete list of on-going sponsored and grant research starts on page 46. The following selection of 1998 sponsored and grant research reflects the wide range of research projects carried out at AIT.

### SCHOOL OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

### Medical Technology

The project is aimed at the transfer of knowledge in the design and production of medical devices to the Southeast Asian region through research, education and broad consultancy, in collaboration with the Division of Biomechanics and Engineering Design of the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium. Efforts to efficiently disseminate knowledge in the Southeast Asian region will be coordinated with MTEC. Thailand.

> Investigators: ISE/AIT, Jos Vander Sioten, KUL Belgium Sponsors: VLIR (Flemish Inter-University Council), in cooperation with Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

### Developing an Open Architecture CNC Machine

The development of an open architecture CNC Machine based on a PC leads the way to better training in all aspects of CNC operations, as well as to improved maintenance of machines. In addition, better integration with other factory automation systems can be achieved. The project is being carried out in cooperation with Thailand's Rajamangala Institute of Technology and the Department of Vocational Education.

Investigators: E.L.J. Bohez, N. Afzulpurkar, M. Parnichkun Sponsor: Belgian Govt.

### Developing curricula for training software developers

In addition to existing and additional academic activities in universities and training institutions, new activities are being explored jointly with IBM to promote its products and improve its training programs, including certification of IBM software developers.

Investigator: D. N. Batanov Sponsor: IBM

### Revenue Summary of Research Projects FY 1993-94 to FY 1997-98 (Baht '000)

Year	Schools	Centers	Total
1997-1998	121,183	41,871	163,054
1996-1997	141,158	26,529	167,687
1995-1996	104,647	24,689	129,336
1994-1995	112,617	67,413	180,030
1993-1994	66,484	22,879	89,363

# SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENT, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

### GAIA

AIT and a project consortium are developing training and management tools using advanced information technologies to address environmental issues. The consortium is composed of partners from Austria, United Kingdom, Italy, Argentina, China, Egypt, Mexico, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe. Computer models have been developed dealing with various environmental issues, Web pages have been created, and training programs organized. Relevant student research is also being supported.

Investigator: R. Sadananda Sponsor: EU

### Distance Education

Important issues concerning distance education, including the required administrative support, have been reviewed, prior to the adoption of economically viable and technologically-suited delivery methods. Under development is a series of lectures to be delivered by distance.

Investigator: H.N. Phien Sponsor: NORTEL

# Tractor-mounted pineapple dressing machine

A dressing machine mounted at the front of a four-wheel tractor provides a cleaner and faster way to dress pineapples. A hydraulic drive powers the rotating blades of the machine that can dress up to four rows of pineapple plants at a time. Modifications to further improve the efficiency of the machine are underway.

Investigators: V. M. Salokhe, C. Kaewprakaisaengkul Sponsors: Siam Agro-Industry Pineapple and Others Public Co. Ltd., Thailand

### Standardizing the evaluation of fruit and vegetable quality

Consumers and processors measure the quality of fruits and vegetables based on a set of quality attributes that is different from that used by growers and producers. Quality determination and standards are important tools in the agricultural processing industry as these provide a common language for producers and consumers and serve as a basis for incentive payments. Information about quality standard and determination methods are being gathered for selected fruits and vegetables, such as mangoes, babycorns, papayas, ginger and tomatoes. The data will be used to design and develop commodity-specific evaluation equipment and procedures.

> Investigator: A. Noomhorm Sponsor: Ministry of Industry, Thailand

### Improving the YY male technology

The YY male technology is targeted at solving the problem of unwanted fish production, which leads to overpopulation and stunted growth of fish stocked for culture. Field trials in the Philippines have shown genetically male tilapia to increase aquaculture yields by 40% and profitability by over 100%. Self-sustaining dissemination programs in the Philippines and Thailand have helped promote the technology among farmers.

Investigator: G.C. Mair Sponsor: Dept. for International Development (DFID) - Fish Genetics Program

### Coal and natural gas in APEC countries

Under investigation are the cost-effectiveness, benefits, and scope of a second-phase study to evaluate the long-term economic and environmental costs of alternative energy scenarios. The role of coal and natural gas is stressed in each scenario. Focus is placed on the power sector, which is the largest and most viable market for coal and natural gas. Current developments are expected to present important challenges to coal and natural gas utilization. Production and consumption of coal and natural gas in the 21 APEC member countries will be covered.

> Investigator: T. Lefèvre, R. Pacudan Sponsors: APEC Secretariat/ APEC Expert Group on Clean Fossil Energy

### RESEARCH

### Gender relations and economic development in matrilineal societies

This research examines and documents different matrilineal cultures and aspects that account for genderegalitarian societies. It also assesses the impact of economic development on gender relations. Recommendations for future policy planning, to ensure that gender equality does not decline as a result of economic development, will be presented.

Investigator: G. Kelkar Sponsors: Netherlands Govt., HIVOS, IFAD

### Urban indicators to establish a quality-of-city life index and develop an urban infrastructure assessment model

This research seeks to identify relevant urban indicators to determine the overall quality of city life, taking into account the economic, social and environmental components of sustainable development, as well as good governance. In addition, the research aims to develop a model to assess and rectify infrastructure at the local level, integrating performance and provision indicators and incorporating indicators proposed by the community.

Investigators: A. Mehta, Yap Kioe Sheng Sponsor: Urban Management Center

### SCHOOL OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

### Traffic-Induced Vibration and Fatigue of Bangkok's Steel Overpass Bridges

Many of Bangkok's light and flexible steel overpass bridges have high trafficinduced responses that could lead to fatigue. Thirteen overpass bridges are the subject of a study that will measure bridge responses under normal traffic conditions and under controlled conditions, the volume of truck traffic, dynamic tests of tenwheel trucks, and so on. The findings will be used as basis for appropriate recommendations on rehabilitation, repair, improvement, and maintenance of overpass bridges.

> Investigator: P. Warnitchai (jointly with the Sirindhorn Int'l. Inst. of Technology and Arun Chaiseri Consulting Engineers Co., Ltd.) Sponsor: BMA, Thailand

### Hexagonal Wire Mesh Reinforcement

A full-scale, fully instrumented test embankment has been constructed to develop design criteria and procedures for the analysis of embankment construction using hexagonal wire mesh reinforcement. Data on foundation responses and deformation patterns of the reinforcement and backfill soil will be used to verify a parametric study using the finite element method. Test results will be analysed to obtain the basic properties of soils and reinforcements and the interaction behavior at the soil/hexagonal wire interface.

> Investigator: D.T. Bergado Sponsor: B.B. Trading Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia

### Navigation Channel for Krabi Thermal Power Plant

The thermal power plant in Krabi, Southern Thailand, with a capacity of 2 x 300 megawatts using 3.286 x 106 liters of bunker oil, is expected to become operational by the year 2000. The study will propose a detailed design for a navigation channel to be used by 4,000-5,000 DWT seagoing oil tankers, as well as 1,000 DWT river barges. A numerical model will be used to study sedimentation and to design all navigation aids, analyze the dispersion and impact of dredging material, propose appropriate disposal location and dredging method together with time intervals for dredging maintenance.

Investigators: S.Vongvisessomjai, N. Phien-wej, S. Weesakul, C. Charoenngam Sponsor: EGAT, Thailand

### Collapse of Pumping Station

Under investigation is the collapse of the concrete diaphragm walls of an intake pumping station in a wastewater treatment plant now being constructed on RAMA III Road in Bangkok. The walls collapsed while excavation was underway inside the tank. A conceptual proposal for remedial and reconstruction work will be submitted after the investigation.

Investigators: W. Kanok-Nukulchai, N. Phein-wej, N. Anwar Sponsor: Cunninggham International (Thailand) Ltd.

### Incorporating Waste Materials in Highway Construction for Southeast Asia

The waste material identified for investigation is fly ash. Lignite fly ash is the residue generated from the burning of lignite coal. An effective method of utilizing large volumes of fly ash is to manufacture aggregates from fly ash for plain and structural concrete. In order to obtain a better understanding of the properties and behavior of fly ash aggregate (FAA), its and mechanical and durability properties have been studied.

Investigators: A. C. Wijeyewickrema, C. Charoeringam

Sponsor: Netherlands Faculty Research Grant-AIT

### Water Pumping from Pumduang River

Considering the river's existing geometry, the study provides the design of water intake structures for a pumping station of Pumduang River in Surat Thani Province in Southern Thailand, and determines whether the condition of river flow and transport of sediment are under equilibrium condition. The annual average flow and low flow are considered in the design. The design of the intake canal will take into account its appurtenance structures and appropriate location and the acceptable amount of flow and sediment transport that can be withdrawn from the river. Design modification will be recommended, if necessary.

> Investigator: T. Tingsanchali Sponsors: Aspac Consultant Co. Ltd., Bangkok Engineering Services and Technology Co. Ltd., Thailand

### SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

### Asia's Comparative Financial Markets

Financial markets in Asia outside Japan are the fastest growing in the world, with the largest growth in the equity (stock) markets. Globalization has increased competition in these markets and deregulation has opened many new business opportunities. European banks and finance companies have been very active. Recent initiatives to set up an ASEAN financial executives group as well as an ASEAN stock exchange reflect an interesting trend towards professionalism and regionalism.

This project will examine these trends and their impact on the performance of stock markets and changes in financial companies in terms of strategy technology and organizational change.

Investigators: F.W. Swierczek, J. P. Gupta Sponsor: EC

### Entrepreneurship in Thailand's High-tech Firms

In past research on technological entrepreneurship, firms were considered as independent units of economic activity which pursue rapid growth, the innovation process was accorded a linear sequential view, individual strategic choice was assumed, the focus was on the personalities of individual entrepreneurs or on cultural determinants, and the time frame was narrow.

This study analyzes the innovation process in entrepreneurial, technology-based firms in the light of modern innovation theory, which views the process as complex, iterative and systemic in character, and relying on strategic integration and networking, Some 40 new, technology-based firms in Thailand are included in the study.

Investigator: B. Igel Sponsor: Self-support

### Investments in Thailand's Distance Training Network

This study will identify the engineering, technical and related managerial training needs of companies in key sectors of industry: manufacturing, automobile, electronics and computer, telecommunications, and petro-chemical/energy. It will also assess the potential of universities, training institutions and companies as well as government agencies, to provide training and use distance media such as satellite or cable. Media companies will be interviewed on the costs and benefits of appropriate technology for distance training.

Investigator: F.W. Swierczek Sponsor: NSTDA, Thailand

### Technology Parks - Case Studies in Asia

The effective organization and management of science, technology, and industrial parks in the Republic of Korea, Chinese Taipei, Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand are the subject of these case studies to demonstrate best practices in the region.

Investigator: F.W. Swierczek Sponsor: NSTDA, Thailand

# OUTREACH

The establishment of new School-based outreach centers and fora highlighted outreach efforts in 1998.

The Geoinformatics Center, which houses the Asian Center for Research on Remote Sensing (ACRORS) and the GIS Applications Center (GAC), advances the integration of geoinformatics technology research, training and consultancy at AIT. Another SERD outreach arm established in 1998 is the AIT Agro-Food-Bioprocess Industries Forum.

The two new centers in the School of Civil Engineering are the Asian Center for Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics, established in July, and the Asian Center for Transportation Studies, established in November.

Revenue Summary of Outreach Activities FY 1993-94 to FY 1997-98 (Baht '000)

Year	Seminar	Conference S		Training +Short Course
1997-1998	4,930	6,967		18,212
1996-1997	3,135	3,444	134	9,627
1995-1996	5,065	845		9,335
1994-1995	3,687	1,154	1,385	16,580
1993-1994	5,532	3,009	876	13,598
<b>Market</b>	110116	CENTERS		
Year	Seminar	Conference		Short Course +Symposium +Training
1997-1998	17,563	5,253		46,024
1996-1997	23,170	35,945		13,758
1995-1996	2,665	1,965		36,386
1994-1995	13,547			33,126
1993-1994	6,164	478		8,165

### AIT IN VIETNAM

In Vietnam, AIT operates the Swiss-AIT-Vietnam (SAV) Management Development Program in Ho Chi Minh City and the Hanoi-based AIT Center Vietnam.

The target participants for the SAV Program are Vietnamese management teachers, some of whom later join the MBA Program of the School of Management at AIT.

Thirty-eight participants (34 university lecturers and four business executives) are currently enroled in SAV's sixth academic program, covering the period 1999-2001.

The 25 participants in the fourth program (1997-1999) have completed their second term at the School of Management at AIT and have returned to Vietnam to prepare their

MBA thesis research. The fifth program covers the period 1998-2000.

SAV conducts management training seminars for universities and the business community. The 1998 outreach program provided training in business simulation models, enterprises in a market economy environment, public administration reform, quality management and applications in Vietnam, effective selling skills, recruitment and performance management, total quality management, and related topics.

The AIT Center Vietnam
(AITCV) held its first alumni
homecoming on 19 September
1998. The event coincided with
AITCV's fifth anniversary, during
which it presented the 1999
training programs and discussed plans to open an

Executive MBA Program and expand collaborative activities with AIT's four schools and relevant academic centers.

AITCV's first academic program in Industrial Systems Engineering produces some 25 graduates annually and to-date has awarded Certificates and Diplomas to some 80 graduates, many of whom now hold key positions in industry and the public sector. AITCV graduates are given the opportunity to apply for admission into the ISE Master's Program at AIT.

AITCV's third ISE graduation ceremony held on 25 November 1998 was complemented by a special forum on human resources development for Vietnam.

In 1998 AITCV offered more than 80 short-term courses in high technology management and language training.

### GEOINFORMATICS CENTER

### Asian Center for Research on Remote Sensing (ACRORS)

Since its establishment in 1995, ACRoRS has been receiving and archiving data from NOAA AVHRR. The data are distributed worldwide and are transferred via the Internet to the University of Tokyo for near real time environmental monitoring. The near real time feature of ACRoRS' reception has made the Center an attractive research partner for various agencies.

ACRoRS' research findings are used as inputs to training courses organized by GAC. ACRoRS provides research opportunities to students of the STAR Program.

### GIS Applications Center (GAC)

initial funding from the UNEP/ EAP-AP, GAC conducts training courses in fast-growing GIS and space technologies. To-date, GAC has trained close to 400 technicians and professionals from the Asia-Pacific region. GAC training courses in 1998 included advanced courses in remote sensing and GIS for watershed management and disaster mitigation, SAR data and potential, and basic GIS courses. Two programs were conducted in Indonesia and Vietnam, and support was extended to a French Government-sponsored basic GIS course on tropical diseases.

# Established in 1995 with

### focusing on HRD and research activities of member companies, featured Seagate Technology (Thailand) Ltd. and Unocal Thailand Ltd. on 21 May, Siemens Ltd. on 18 June, Alcatel (Thailand) Co. Ltd. on 16 July, Miller Freeman (Thailand) Co. Ltd. on 24 September, Ericsson (Thailand) Ltd. on 22

ATF presentations in 1998.

SCHOOL FORA

Advanced Technology

Forum (ATF)

October, and Siam Cement Plc. on 19 November.

ATF Members (as of November 1998): Advanced Info Service Public Co. Ltd., Alcatel (Thailand) Co. Ltd., Ericsson (Thailand) Ltd., Miller Freeman (Thailand) Co. Ltd., Nokia Telecommunications (Thailand) Ltd., Read-Rite (Thailand) Co. Ltd., Samart Corp. Plc., Seagate Technology (Thailand) Ltd., Siam Cement Plc., Siemens Ltd., and Unocal Thailand Ltd.

### Asian Center for Transportation Studies

ACTS carries out research. training, information dissemination activities and consultancies focusing on new traffic management systems that utilize modern information and communications technologies. Its inauguration was part of an international seminar, Intelligent Transportation Systems: the 21st Century Asian Challenge.

### Asian Center for Soil Improvement and Geosynthetics (ACSIG)

The ACSIG seeks to consolidate activities pertaining to soil and ground improvement. It also serves as a catalyst to advance soil and ground improvement techniques and to promote the application of geosynthetics to geotechnical problems.



Software products on structural analysis, concrete design, and geotechnical engineering, have been developed by the Asian Center for Engineering Computations and Software, established in 1995 by the School of Civil Engineering. They are widely used throughout the region.

### AIT Agro-Food-Bioprocess Industries Forum (AFBIF)

The AFBIF provides a platform for the exchange of technical information between AIT and companies engaged in agricultural and food production and bioprocess technology.

To support real needs in the industry and to ensure the relevance of thesis research. AFBIF members are encouraged to propose topics for student research in agro-food and bioprocess technologies. They are given access to the research output and to the profiles of graduating students for future reference.

AFBIF membership is open to business establishments and organizations with interests in agro-food and bioprocess technologies and relevant industries

# RESOURCES AND ADMINISTRATION

### RESOURCE GENERATION

Resource generation efforts during the year under review were challenged by the continuing economic downturn throughout the Asia-Pacific region. Particular attention was given to maintaining partnerships with traditional donor countries.

The Royal Thai Govemment approved a grant US\$ 2,506,234 covering the RTG 1998 fiscal year. The Government of Japan approved a grant of US\$ 3,058,600 for FY 1997-98. A proposal requesting US\$ 5,065,960 for FY 1999 has been submitted and is awaiting approval. Partnership opportunities with Japanese affiliated business companies in Thailand are being explored.

A result of the Institute's first venture into the Gulf region is an agreement signed with Sharjah College in the United Arab Emirates, for the admission of qualified Sharjah students into AIT's Management and Computer Science Programs on a fee-paying basis.

New Collaborations Signed in 1998

### Thailand

NEPO NSTDA

Department of Fisheries

TISTR NESDB

Department of Agriculture Bangkok University Assumption University Suranaree University of Technology

### Sri Lanka

University of Colombo Pramuka Savings and Development Bank Institute of Technological Studies University of Peradeniya University of Kelaniya

University of Moratuwa

### Private sector

Hitachi Plant Engineering
Construction Co., Ltd., Japan
Ahlstrom Ltd., Thailand
Tipco Asphalt Public Co. Ltd.,
Thailand
Pulp and Paper Plc., Thailand
Advance Agro Plc., Thailand
A.A. Pulp Mill, Thailand
Coffey MPW Pty. Ltd., Australia
Petro Vietnam

### Renewal of Support from European Donor Countries

In anticipation of the completion of the Institute's current MoUs with major European donors, requests for extensions and/or renewals have been put forward, taking into account modifications to reflect the priorities of funding agencies as well as AIT.

The AIT/Danida MOU will end in June 1999. A task force has been constituted to prepare a proposal for the next phase of the cooperation program.

The AIT/Sida Agreement will end in December 1999. Annual consultation was held between Sida and AIT in November 1998 to review the ongoing programs and to discuss the possibility of Sida-AIT cooperation beyond 1999.

A new AIT/NORAD Agreement was signed on 9 December 1998, providing support valued at NOK 27.6 million in the form of Master's scholarships (1998-2001) for nationals from Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Laos, and Vietnam, faculty support and other components.

A proposal for Phase II of the AIT/Austria Academic Cooperation Program (January 1999-December 2001), submitted to the Austrian Embassy in October 1998, covers Austrian support amounting to US\$ 1,234,852 in the form of Master's and Doctoral scholarships. Phase I ended in December 1998.

The AIT/SDC Agreement will end in June 1999. A draft proposal for the next phase (July 1999-June 2002) includes 36 Master's scholarships, faculty support, and the Asian Case Clearing House Project in the School of Management.

A proposal for the renewal of the AIT/French Government Collaboration for FY1999 was submitted to the French Embassy in December 1998.

Phase 2 of the Netherlands
Human Resources and Institutional Development Program
ended in June 1998. Since some of
the Phase 2 activities are on-going,
a budget extension was granted for
the period July 1998 to June 2001.
Negotiations for Phase 3, expected
to start by mid-1999, will be conducted pending the completion of an
evaluation mission to be fielded in
the early part of the year.

### Faculty and Staff Scondments FY 1997-98 (Man-months)

Governments	
Australia	39.50
Belgium	47.00
Canada	29.50
CEC	2.00
Chinese Taipei	11.00
Denmark	60.00
Finland	93.50
France	111.50
Germany	68.00
India	20.00
Italy	0.50
Japan	162.00
Korea	24.00
Norway	12.00
Switzerland	70.50
United Kingdom	69.00
International Organizations	S
ESA	12.00
IUCN	23.50
UNEP-EAP/AP	12.00
WWF	38.00
Business and Industry	
NFPA Int'l.	7.00
Others (Business & Indus	try) 14.00
Total	926.50

### CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION FUNCTIONS

Under the Interim Presidency, the central administration functions of the Institute have been distributed among three Vice Presidents namely, Prof. Karl E. Weber (Management), Prof. Mario T. Tabucanon (Academic), and Prof. Pisidhi Karasudhi (Development and Promotion).

Prof. Charas Suwanwela, an AIT Trustee from 1989 to 1995 and an educator of international stature, assumed office as President for the interim period on 17 August 1998, following the resignation of Dr. Roger G. H. Downer in May.

The new post of Vice
President (Management)
covers coordinating and
overseeing units concerned
with budgeting, human resource management and
development, physical plant
operations, medical and health
care, purchasing and inventory, security and safety, AIT
Center operations, sports
facility management, faculty

and staff housing, and the playschool/child center operations. The goal is to foster mutual recognition of work in administration, support and auxiliary services, and academe, and to instill appreciation of particular achievements by the entire AIT community. Emphasis is laid on consultation within and beyond the responsibility area.





Prof. Charas

Prof. Weber





Prof. Tabucanon

Prof. Pisidhi

### Budget for FY 1997-98\*

REVENUE (In Millions of Ba	aht)	EXPENDITURES (In Millions of Bah	t)
Tuition and Fees	296.00	Schools/ Programs	195.49
Center Contributions			
CEC	4.50	Academic Centers	47.44
ADPC	1.50	Capital Purchases	11.80
RCC	10.60	Capital Fulcilases	11.00
AIT Center Vietnam	.75	Academic Support	7.75
Auxiliary Operations	23.00		
Sub-Total	40.35	Student Activities	1.89
Contract Research Revenue	17.10	Administrative Departments	61.55
Government Grants Other Sources	12.35	Campus Services	59.39
Investment Revenue	17.00	Campus-wide Support	12.94
Other Revenue	40.20		14.01
Sub-Total	47.20	Budget Contingency and Reserves	24.72
Grand Total	423.00	Grand Total	423.00
% increase over the last year	24.04%		

\*The FY 1997-98 budget of Baht 423 million increased by 24.04 per cent over that of FY 1996-97. Tuition and fees accounted for the largest increases in income. Decreases were noted in government grants and investment revenue.

### RESOURCES AND ADMINISTRATION

### SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS (CASH AND KIND)

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1.65	Supply and Sanitation	0.01	Malaysia	
3.47	Integrated Food Assistance Devt. Proj.	0.06	Dept. of Civil Defense	0.02
4.21	Int'l, Fertilizer Development Center	0.04	Institute of Nuclear Research Technology	0.02
1.74	Local Govt. Engineering Dept.	0.01	Institut Amiriuddin Baki	0.04
3.65	Royal Development Project	0.01	Jabatan Pertoniam Sarawak	0.01
2.74	Rajuk	0.01	Jahor Bahru City Council	0.02
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Metropolitan Waterworks Authority	0.04	Chaimeng Co., Ltd.	0.02	Co.,Ltd.	
Ministry of Industry	0.04	Charoen Pokphand Feedmill Co., Ltd.	0.02	Siam Cement Co., Ltd.	0.18
Ministry of Interior	0.12	Chikami Meltec - Japan	0.02	Siam Commercial Bank	0.03
Ministry of University Affairs	0.82	Chuo Mapping Co., Ltd.	0.02	Siam DHV Ltd.	0.04
Ministry of Science, Technology		CIRAD - France	0.03	Siam Gypsum Industry Co., Ltd.	0.01
and Environment	0.02	Coffey MPW Pty. Ltd.	0.01	Siam Nawaloha Foundry Co., Ltd.	0.01
Naresuan University	0.05	Computer Assisted Devt. Inc.	0.12	Siam Yamato Steel Co., Ltd.	0.03
NEC	0.02	Corporate Finance Group	0.01	Sri Lanka Energy Managers Association	0.01
NEPO	0.04	CP Aquaculture Business Group	0.01	SL Devt. Consultant Co., Ltd.	0.03
NSTDA	0.07	Dascoh - Bangladesh	0.01	Siemens AG - Germany	0.53
NECTEC	0.02		0.02	Siemens Ltd.	0.02
NIDA	0.03	Druk Air Corporation Ltd.		Steel Authority of India Ltd.	0.02
OCMRT	0.01	Ecumenical Scholarship Program	0.08	Stichting - Hivos	0.07
Office of Atomic Energy for Peace	0.01	Electric Power Development Co., Ltd.	0.07	Stikom - Surabaya	0.01
PTT	0.09	Environment - Canada	0.04	Stonehenge Design and Consultants Co., Ltd.	
Public Works Dept.	1.36	Environment Software Service GMBH	0.05	Strongpack Plc. Co., Ltd.	0.01
Rajamangala Institute of Technology	0.34	Eraba Corporation, Japan	0.08	S.V. Acer Co., Ltd.	0.01
Revenue Department	0.09	Ericsson (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	0.01	Tanakom Products Co., Ltd.	0.01
Royal Thai Air Force	0.06	Fujitsu (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	0.01	Telecomasia Corporation Plc.	0.04
Securities and Exchange Commission	0.06	Geoasia Co., Ltd.	0.01	Thai Konoike Contruction Co., Ltd.	0.04
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Thammasat University	0.01	Ghamot Co., Ltd Ghana	0.05	Pfc. Co., Ltd.	0.01
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Tuvalu Cooperation Society	0.01	Golden Food International Co., Ltd.	0.01	Thyssen Industrie AG - Germany	0.09
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Dept. of International Development	0.10	Hitachi Ltd.	0.03	Uniscience Ltd Finland	0.92
UCLES	0.41	GSS Array Technology Plc. Co., Ltd.	0.01	United Communication Ind. Co., Ltd.	0.03
University of Stirling	0.23	Hitachi Plant Engineering and	1233	Unocal Thailand Ltd.	0.01
University of Wales	0.07	Construction Co., Ltd.	0.06	WSP International - Bangladesh	0.03
United States		Honda Motors Co., Ltd Japan	0.03	AIT Foundation, Inc.	0.09
Academy for Educational Development	0.02	Innovation Nakomluang Footware Co., Ltd.	0.01	A. Soriano Foundation, Philippines	0.02
NOAA	0.26	International Blaster Co., Ltd.	0.02	C & C Education Foundation	0.03
University of Michigan	0.27	International Data Corp. Thailand	0.02	John F. Kennedy Foundation of Thailand	0.42
Vietnam		마이의 (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) (10)	0.03	Keidanren	0.45
Department of Forestry	0.04	International Engineering Plc. Co., Ltd.		Lee Foundation	0.11
Hue University	0.03	IT Supplier and Consulting Co., Ltd.	0.01	American Red Cross	0.01
National Center for Science and Techno	ology	Jasmine Telecom Systems Co., Ltd.	0.17	Assumption University	0.07
Information and Documentation	0.02	Kuka Roboter GMBH	0.02	Bangkok University	0.03
Petrovietnam Ltd.	0.04	Loxley Information Service Co., Ltd.	0.01	Care - Bangladesh	0.44
Steering Committee for IT of Central Bodie	es 0.03	Lucent Technologies Thailand, Inc.	0.03	Care - India	0.02
University of Technology	0.01	L.V.D. Company	0.02	Catholic Relief Services - Cambodia	0.01
Vietnam Oil and Gas Corp.	0.25	McCallum Agencies Pty. Ltd.	0.02	Church Auxiliary for Social Action	0.01
S 5 W	2/2/57	Miller Freeman (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	0.01	Commonwealth Fund for	0.00
Sub-total	15.49	Multimedia and Service Co., Ltd.	0.01	Technical Cooperation	0.02
		National Aluminium Co., Ltd.	0.01	German Red Cross	
BUSINESS, FOUNDATIONS, PRIV	ATE	Narai Technology Co., Ltd.	0.02	Helvetas, Bhutan	0.03
INDIVIDUALS AND OTHERS		NFPA International	0.04	India-Canada Environmental Facility	0.11
A.A. Pulp Mill Co., Ltd.	0.02	Nippon Koei Co., Ltd.	0.06	International Federation of Red Cross and	
Able Sanoh Industries (1996) Co., Ltd.	0.01	NMC Dialysis Center (Thailand) Ltd.	0.01	Red Cresent Society	0.04
Adidas Co., Ltd.	0.02	Nokia Telecommunications (Thailand)	0.19	International Federation of Library Associations and Institutes .	0.10
Advanced Agro Pic. Co., Ltd.	3.50	NTU (Thailand) Ltd.	0.03		0.10
Advanced Info. Service Plc. Co., Ltd.	0.06	Nylex (Malaysia) Bhd.	0.02	ISO Swedforest Consulting -Vietnam	0.01
AEDC Vietnam Ltd.	0.03	Okuminisches Studienwerk	0.01	Mahanakorn University of Technology	0.01
AFNOR-Paris	0.01	Overseas Construction Association	4.41	Open Society Institute Prasac-3 EC - Cambodia	0.06
Ahlstrom Ltd Finland	0.09	of Japan, Inc.	0.09	Save the Children Fund (UK)	0.01
Alcatel (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	0.04	Oxfam - Hong Kong	0.03		0.03
Arcadis Euroconsult - Netherlands	0.04	Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry	0.24	Sripathum University Thai Tapioca Development Institute	0.05
Asia Pacific Telecommunity	0.29	Pearson Professional (Singapore) Pte Ltd.		World Vision - Laos, PDR	0.03
Aspac Consultants Co., Ltd.	0.03	Petroleum Fonnomics Ltd London	0.02	Others	0.03

Petroleum Economics Ltd.- London

Read-Rite (Thailand) Co., Ltd.

Sanwa-Bank Ltd. - Bangladesh

Phoenix Pulp and Paper Plc. Co., Ltd.

Private Sector Infrastructure Devt. Co., Ltd. 0.01

SBC Warburg Premier Securities Co., Ltd. 0.01

0.01

0.03

0.02

0.01

Others

Sub-total

TOTAL

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0.17

11.30

100.00

### RESOURCES AND ADMINISTRATION

### CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

### Geoinformatics Center

The Geoinformatics Center is located next to the Advance Agro Pulp and Paper Technology Building. Its construction cost of Baht 14 million was supported by the Chair Prof. Shunji Murai Personal Fund (Baht 6 million), ACRORS and GAC (Baht 5 million), and AIT (Baht 3 million).

### New student dormitory complex

The new dormitory complex, valued at Baht 90.9 million, provides accommodation for some 200 students. The Royal Thai Government contributed Baht 19.9 million to the construction cost, while AIT's Regional Computer Center provided Baht 6 million.

### School of Management Building

Construction of the School of Management Building was completed in January 1999. The building is in the vicinity of the ST3 dorm and the Chalerm Prakiat Building.

### Sports facilities

Additional sports facilities constructed in 1998 include two tennis courts, one basketball court and one volleyball court. Verdant sceneries surround these new facilities.

### EXPANSION OF COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND UTILITIES

Improvements in communication services include the expansion of the PABX capacity from 1,300 to 3,300 lines, providing telephone connections to all student dormitories, the ST6 and ST7 staff housing units, and the new dormitories T, U, V and W.

Electrical power supply systems were installed for new buildings, including the Advance Agro Pulp and Paper Technology Building, the SOM and Geoinformatics Buildings, and the Student Union office complex.

To further ensure safety, a new protective switch gear for electrical substation no.1 near the gate house was installed and electrical substation no. 6 was restructured by installing a larger transformer and circuit breaker. A new main distribution board was installed in the Administration Building,



To cope with the increasing demand for water, particularly during the dry season, a new water tower tank was constructed and a pipe laid to ensure water supply from the Provincial Waterworks Authority to AIT.

For energy conservation purposes, a 500-ton chiller, including pumps and a cooling tower, was installed to support a more efficient air conditioning system. The air conditioning system of the Medical Clinic was retrofitted. The water soft-



ener and two cooling towers of the chiller plant were repaired.

Towards the end of 1998, the laying of sewage and water supply pipes, and telephone lines to the SOM and Geoinformatics Buildings, and landscaping of the surrounding areas were completed.

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### INSTITUTE ADMINISTRATION

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

President Vice President (Management)

Vice President (Development and Promotion)

Vice President (Academic)

Institute Secretary

Treasurer

**DEANS OF SCHOOLS** 

Advanced Technologies

Civil Engineering

Environment, Resources and Development

Management

**CENTER DIRECTORS** 

Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

Center for Language and Educational Technology

Center for Library and Information Resources

Continuing Education Center Regional Computer Center

AIT Center Vietnam

Swiss-AIT-Vietnam Management

Development Program

STUDENTAFFAIRS

Dean of Student and Community Affairs

Student Union President

Prof. Charas Suwanwela

Prof. Karl E. Weber

Prof. Pisidhi Karasudhi

Prof. Mario T. Tabucanon

Dr. Roger Hawkey

Mr. Avinash Patel

Prof. H. N. Phien (Acting) Prof. Worsak Kanok-Nukulchai

Prof. Chongrak Polprasert

Prof. Jyoti P. Gupta

Mr. David Hollister and Mr. Aloysius Rego (Joint)

Dr. Nicholas Dimmit (Chair) Dr. Francis Devadason

Dr. Nicanor C. Austriaco

Dr. Charoon Chirapaisarnkul

Dr. Jari Leo Henrik Backman

Dr. Hans Stoessel

Dr. Anila Sadananda

Mr. Sorasak Intarapanich (August 97-April 98)

Mr. Ramesh Kumar Hamal (May 98-January 99)

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

SCHOOLS

SAT School of Advanced Technologies SCE School of Civil Engineering

SERD School of Environment, Resources

and Development

SOM School of Management

CENTERS

ADPC Asisn Disater Preparedness Center

AITCV AIT Center Vietnam

CEC Continuing Education Center

CLAIR Center for Library and Information

Resources

CLET Center for Language and Educational

Technology

RCC Regional Computer Center

SAV Swiss-AIT-Vietnam Management

Development Program

PROGRAMS

AFE Agricultural and Food Engineering

ACRD Agriculture, Conservation and Rural Development

AARM Aquaculture and Aquatic Resources Management

BPT Bioprocess Technology

CSIM Computer Science and Information Management

Energy Energy Program

EE Environmental Engineering

EMBA Executive Master of Business Administration

Gendev Gender and Development Studies

GTE Geotechnical and Transportation Engineering

HSD Human Settlements Development

IB International Business

ISE Industrial Systems Engineering
MT Management of Technology
PPT Pulp and Paper Technology

PPT Pulp and Paper Technology SEC Structural Engineering and Construction

STAR Space Technology Applications and Research

UEM Urban Environmental Management

WEM Water Engineering and Management Program

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITORS' REPORT

### To The Board of Trustees of the Asian Institute of Technology

We have examined the balance sheets of the Asian Institute of Technology as at June 30, 1998 and 1997, the statements of revenues and expenditures of unrestricted current fund and restricted general fund and the related statements of changes in fund balance for the years then ended. Our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements. The operations of the Asian Institute of Technology as from the year ended June 30, 1998 have been affected and will continue to be affected for the foreseeable future by the economic conditions in Thailand and the Asia-Pacific Region in general. The ultimate effect that these uncertainties will have on stated values or classifications of assets and liabilities in the balance sheet statement cannot presently be determined and accordingly no provisions have been made.

In addition, we draw attention to Note 15 to the financial statements. The effect of the Year 2000 Issue arises because many computerized systems use two digits rather than four to identify a year. The effects of the Year 2000 Issue may be experienced before, on, or after January 1, 2000, and, if not addressed, the impact on operations and financial reporting may range from minor errors to significant systems failure which could affect an entity's ability to conduct normal business operations. It is not possible to be certain that all aspects of the Year 2000 Issue affecting the entity, including those related to the efforts of suppliers, or other third parties, will be fully resolved.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Asian Institute of Technology as at June 30, 1998 and 1997, the revenues and expenditures of unrestricted current fund and restricted general fund and the changes in fund balance for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles appropriate for non-profit organization as set out in Note 2 to the financial statements, applied on a consistent basis.

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Somboon Supasiripinyo Certified Public Accountant Peat Marwick Suthee Limited Bangkok, October 20, 1998

### ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1997

## NOTE 1 - ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

In 1997, certain Asia-Pacific countries, including Thailand, experienced economic difficulties relating to currency devaluation and slow down in growth. Accordingly, the Thai Government sought assistance from the International Monetary Fund to alleviate the economic crisis and to improve the economy over time. The financial statements for the year ended June 30, 1998 have been presented on a going concern basis and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year and reflecting the management's current assessment of the possible impact of this economic situation on the financial position of the Asian Institute of Technology. Actual results could differ from the management's current assessments and such differences could be material. In addition, the effect on the entity's financial position of future developments and access to further financial information concerning the Institute's customers, suppliers, financiers and others and their ability to continue to transact with the Institute cannot presently be determined. The financial statements for the year ended June 30, 1998 therefore may not include all adjustments that might ultimately result from these economic conditions.

### NOTE 2 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### ■ Fund Accounting

In order to ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Institute, the books of account of the Institute are maintained in accordance with the principles of "fund accounting". This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds which are in accordance with activities or objects specified. Within each fund group, fund balances which are restricted by outside sources are so indicated and are distinguished from unrestricted fund allocated to specific purposes by action of the governing board. As for unrestricted fund, the governing board retains full control of use to achieve any of its institutional purposes.

Investment incomes are recognized as incomes in the unrestricted current fund except for endowments, general reserve and capital funds which are accounted for in the fund to which they are restricted.

Other unrestricted revenues are recognized as income in the unrestricted current fund.

Restricted contributions, grants, appropriations and other restricted resources are accounted for in the appropriate restricted funds.

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### NOTE 3 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Accrual Basis

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis except for depreciation of fixed assets and contributions.

Depreciation of fixed assets is not recorded in accordance with the fund accounting concept.

Contributions are recognized on a cash basis due to the uncertainty in receiving contributions which are at the discretion of the donors.

The statement of revenues and expenditures of unrestricted current fund and restricted general fund is a statement of financial activities of current fund related to the current reporting period. It does not purport to present the results of operations for the period as would an earnings statement.

### ■ Contributions in kind

Contributions in kind are reflected in the financial statements on a fair value basis at the time of receipt.

### Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (first-in, firstout basis) and net realizable value.

### ■ Investments

Investment in debentures and warrants are stated at total lower of cost or market value.

### Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost at the time of acquisition or fair value at the time of donation in the case of contributions in kind.

### ■ Foreign Currencies

Exchange rates adopted:

Foreign currency transactions during the year

 at the commercial bank rates ruling on transaction dates.

Foreign currency transactions during the year recorded from AITCV's statements

 at the commercial bank average rate ruling on AIT's recorded month.

Assets and liabilities in foreign currency outstanding on the balance sheet date

 at the commercial bank rates ruling on the balance sheet date.

Exchange gains and losses are included in determining income.

### NOTE 4 - RECLASSIFICATION

In the period June 30, 1998 the Institute had reclassified the group of expenditure of unrestricted current fund as part of the devolution of responsibilities for appropriate presentation. The comparative amounts for June 30, 1997 were not adjusted and therefore cannot be compared with the amounts of June 30, 1998.

### NOTE 5 - INVESTMENTS

Investments as at June 30, consisted of :-

	1998 Baht	1997 Baht
Time deposits with banks Deposits with finance	504,840,795	237,580,039
companies	1,769,684	233,518,293
Debenture	8,117,136	12,500,000
Warrant	29,250	331,500
Total	514,756,865	483,929,832
The investments of each fund	d as at June 30, a	re as follows:-
	1998	1997
	Baht	Baht
Unrestricted current fund	23,755,575	16,068,694
Restricted fund		
General	184,448,559	113,816,275
Endowment	94,787,458	82,059,396
General reserve	110,214,302	155,770,682
	389,450,319	351,646,353
Sponsored program fund		49, 156, 364
Capital fund		
Liquid assets	42,276,055	3,068,500
Repairs and	The state of the s	
Repairs and Maintenance reserve	2,119,523	2,119,523
Maintenance reserve	44,395,578	5,188,023
		2,119,523 5,188,023 61,870,398

Time deposits with banks amounting to Baht 16.72 million (1997: Baht 34.45 million) of the restricted fund has been pledged with a bank as a collateral against outstanding letter of guarantee issued by the bank (see Note 14).

### NOTE 6 - ADVANCE DUTIES AND TAXES

These represent advance duties and tax payments to the Government of Thailand which will be subsequently refunded to the Institute in accordance with the letter of the Office of the Secretary-General to the Cabinet dated July 16, 1985. The refund of the advance is for non-Thai faculty and staff and is subject to the annual government budget of the Government of Thailand.

The details of advance duties and taxes as at June 30, are as follows:

	1998 <u>Baht</u>	1997 Baht
Employees personal income tax Import and tax duty	10,412,858	3,246,846
Automobile     Wine and spirits		368,734 101,837
	10,412,858	3,717,417

### APPENDIX

### NOTE 7 - FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets as at June 30, are as follows :-

	1998 Baht	1997 Baht
Campus development Buildings Furniture and equipment Library acquisitions Construction in progress	34,920,340 846,204,437 748,626,285 132,139,222 54,170,467	34,115,706 753,173,368 707,122,791 116,040,194 51,796,472
	1,816,060,751	1,662,248,531

The Institute made the agreement to lease land with the Ministry of Finance for 30 years from January 19, 1971 to January 18, 2001 and when this lease agreement is over, the Institute can continue leasing.

Depreciation for the year amounting to Baht 89,087,116 (1997: Baht 82,542,713) has not been recorded in accordance with the fund accounting concept.

As at June 30, 1998, the Institute received a building in the approximate amount Baht 35 million as a donation. The value of building was estimated by construction work referred to the memorandum No. PPTP98:117M, dated July 16, 1998.

### NOTE 8 - CONTRIBUTIONS IN KIND

This represents services donated to the Institute in the form of seconded faculty or staff of which the value is estimated on a basis in accordance with the approved Institute professional salary scale. The amounts are recognized as revenues and expenditures in the restricted general fund.

### NOTE 9 - FUND BALANCES

Fund balances as at June 30, are as follows :-

	1998	1997
Restricted fund	<u>Baht</u>	Baht
General	147,694,118	116,483,040
Endowment	95,258,513	82,102,946
General reserve	244,205,586	245,596,162
	487,158,217	444, 182, 148
Capital fund		-
Fixed assets	1,816,060,751	1,662,248,531
Liquid assets -		
Unallocated Liquid assets -	8,952,770	4,891,213
Allocated	38,584,081	(41,559,206)
Repairs and main-		
tenance reserve	2,119,523	2,119,523
	1,865,717,125	1,627,700,061

### NOTE 10 - INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Incomes and expenditure of restricted fund operated at the Asian Institute of Technology Center in Vietnam were recorded based on detailed statement received, whereas those corresponding documents were normally retained in the Asian Institute of Technology Center in Vietnam, in the amount of Baht 15.72 million and Baht 28.59 million, respectively (1997: Baht 10.75 million and Baht 20.48 million).

### NOTE 11 - TUITION AND FEE EXCHANGE BATE DIFFERENTIAL

This presented the excess of tuition fee and academic service fee income over the budget based on a fixed rate of Baht 26.5 per USD.

### NOTE 12 - SALARIES AND ASSOCIATED COSTS

In the period June 30,1998 salaries and associated costs of restricted current fund - general included supplementary salaries in the amount of Baht 34.20 million which was from the tuition and fees exchange rate differential account (CFA) by the Executive Committee's approval.

### NOTE 13 - AIT INSURED SAVINGS FUND

The Institute and its staff have jointly set up an insured savings fund scheme. The fund is contributed by staff and the Institute at the rate of 5% and 10% of basic salary, respectively. This fund is managed by Aon Consulting (Thailand) Ltd. Withdrawal and refund of the contributions and the related earnings by staff have to comply with the rules of the Insured Savings Fund.

### NOTE 14 - COMMITMENTS

The commitments as at June 30, 1998 are as follows: Capital commitments in respect of building construction amounting to approximately Baht 66.22 million (1997; Baht 1.44 million).

- Bank guarantees of approximately Baht 16.72 million (1997: Baht 34.45 million) issued by a bank on behalf of the Institute in respect of certain performance bonds as required in the normal course of activities of the Institute.
- Letter of credit in respect of equipment purchased amounting to approximately Baht 8.48 million.

### NOTE 15 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Institute has demolished the south wing of the Administration building as at July 3, 1998 and the value of the demolished building cannot be estimated.

### NOTE 16 - UNCERTAINTY DUE TO THE YEAR 2000 ISSUE

The Year 2000 Issue arises because many computerized systems use two digits rather than four to identify a year. Date-sensitive systems may recognize the year 2000 as 1900 or some other date, resulting in errors when information using year 2000 dates is processed. In addition, similar problems may arise in some systems which use certain dates in 1999 to represent something other than a date. The effects of the Year 2000 Issue may be experienced before, on, or after January 1, 2000, and, if not addressed, the impact on operations and financial reporting may range from minor errors to significant systems failure which could affect an entity's ability to conduct normal business operations. It is not possible to be certain of all aspects of the Year 2000 Issue affecting the entity.

ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BALANCE SHEETS AS AT JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1997

		University of Life and Fund	Restrict	Restricted Fund	Sponsored	Sponsored Program Fund	Capit	Capital Fund	Age	Agency Fund		Total
	1998 BAHT	1997 BAHT	1998 BAHT	RAHT	1998 BAHT	BAHT	1998 BAHT	1997 BAHT	1998 BAHT	1997 BAHT	HVHT BAHT	1997 BAHT
ASSETS												
Cash at banks	7,289,960	7,289,960 20,960,283	96,416,002	96,416,002 96,846,386	72,358,849	27,291,105	18,877,749	(38,223,954)	50,352,732	110,739,686	245,295,292	217,613,506
Investments (Note 5)	23,755,575	23,755,575 16,068,694	389,450,319 351,646,353	351,646,353	ć	49,156,364	44,395,578	5,188,023	57,155,393	61,870,398	514,756,865	483,929,832
Advance duties and taxes (Note 6)	10,412,858	3,717,417	,	0	,		1	14		i	10,412,858	3,717,417
Accounts receivable and												
accrued income	1,688,131	3,122,229	590'688'6	6,141,134	13,889,059	10,062,535	1,644,733	83,953	895,158	226,949	27,706,146	19,636,800
Deposits	1,060,122	1,060,122 1,042,472	63,861	63.861	ij	i	1			·	1,123,983	1,106,333
Inventories		ľ	349,778	528,995	X	1		1	١		349,778	\$28,995
Due from other funds	9		131,326,307	000'000'86		1	ı	7	ı	,	131,326,307	98,000,000
Fixed assets (Note 7)	· ·		,	1	,	The state of	1,816,060,751 1,662,248,531	1.662.248,531	i.		1,816,060,751	1,662,248,531
Total Assets	44,206,646 44,911	44,911,095	627,495,332	553,226,729	86,247,908	86,510,004	86,510,004 1,880,978,811	1.629,296,553	108,103,283	172,837,033	2,747,031,980	2,486,781,414
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES												
LIABILITIES												
Accounts payable and												
accused expenses	3,505,881 5,101	5,101,080	6,443,445	8,755,860	-779,228-	572,752	15,261,686	1,596,492	1,053,885	1,026,215	27,044,125	17,052,399
Deposits	2,186,050	2,186,050 1,295,300	2,567,363	2,288,721	.9	U	in	ř,		- ()	4,753,413	3,584,021
Due to other funds	,		131,326,307	98,000,000	1	×	à	9			131,326,307	98,000,000
Total Liabilities	5,691,931	5,691,931 6,396,380	140,337,115 109,044,581	109,044,581	779,228	572,752	15,261,686	1,596,492	1,053,885	1,026,215	163,123,845	118,636,420
FUND BALANCES (Note 9)	38,514,715 38,514,	38,514,715	487,158,217 444,182,148	444,182,148	85,468,680	85,937,252	185,937,722 1,865,717,125 1,627,700,061	1,627,700,061	80£940,701	171,810,818	171,810,818 2,583,908,135	2,368,144,994
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	44,206,646	44,206,646 44,911,095	627,495,332 553,226,729	553,226,729	86,247,908	86,510,004	86,510,004 1,880,978,811 1,629,296,553	1,629,296,553	108,103,283	172,837,033	2,747,031,980	2,486,781,414

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

PRESIDENT

ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - UNRESTRICTED CURRENT FUND AND RESTRICTED FUND - GENERAL FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1997

REVENUES: Tuiton and fees: Academie unit Computer center Tuition & fee exchange rate differential (Note 11) Gifs and contributions: Cash In – Kind (Note 8)	1998 BAHT	1997	1008			
REVENUES:  Tuition and fees:  Academic unit Computer center  Tuition & fee exchange rate differential (Note 11) Gifs and contributions:  Cash In - kind (Note 8)		BAHI	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	1997 BAHT
Tutton and fees : Academic unit Computer center Computer center Tuition & fee exchange rate differential (Note 11) Gifts and coentributions : Cash In - kind (Note 8)						
Tuition & fee exchange rate differential (Note 11) Gifts and contributions: Cash In - kipd (Note 8)	3,243,600	251,429,770	13,670.883	4 1	302,485,514	7,834,356
Tuition & fee exchange rate differential (Note 11) Gifs and contributions : Cash In - Kind (Note 8)	292,058,231	259,264,126	13,670,883		305,729,114	259,264,126
One and constitutions of the Kind (Note 8)			152,960,020	i.	152,960,020	
In - Kind (Note 8)	11,032,121	33,748,582	121,822,278	124,944,439	132,854,399	158,693,021
			145,193,053	112,880,679	145,193,053	112,880,679
	11,032,121	33,748,582	267,015,331	237,825,118	278,047,452	271,573,700
Grants and contracts Sales and services:	31,213,005	21,675,326	22,293,292	13,924,167	53,506,297	35,599,493
Educational activities Others	46.007	36,394	1,504,703	59,691,682	89,871,094	59,691,682
	46,007	36,394	197,375,197	61,530,341	91,421,804	61,586,735
Income from investments	28,370,427	24,773,372			28,370,427	24,773,372
Auxiliary services	4		135,714,030	131,098,905	135,714,030	131,098,905
Recovery of indirect costs	31,371,247	30,303,614	311 150 01	11 670 771	31,371,247	30,303,614
All sponsored programs Physical plant support		( )	18,269,786	25,321,070	18,269,786	25,321,070
Exchange stabilization	+		143,629,441	3,207,790	143,629,441	3,207,790
Miscellaneous			81,176,422	34,486,399	81,176,422	34,486,399
Total Revenues	394,091,038	369,801,414	936,972,718	\$20,993,013	1,331,063,756	890,794,427
EXPENDITURES: Salantes and associated costs;						
Cash (Note 12) In Find (Note 12)	18,684,847	255,919,498	37,862,943	7,781,993	56,547,790	263,701,491
to annual reservation	18,684,847	255,919,498	183,055,996	120,662,672	201,740,843	376,582,170
Academic units operating costs	208,883,117	32,695,171	178,667,298	119,188,438	387,550,415	151,883,609
Student related costs	0.69,789,1	1,865,621	11,472,126	965'105'9	13,459,756	8,367,217
Administrative support costs	62,787,340	6,043,816	180.081	060'9	13,827,451	14.340.047
Campus wide services	87,358,276	57.924,476	100,700	(A)(A)(A)	87.358.276	57,924,476
Physical plant support costs			34,785,941	37,421,840	34,785,941	37,421,840
AIT sponsored programs	1		17,407,336	16,937,506	17,407,336	16,937,506
Auxiliary services costs	4		91,082,282	38,183,118	91,082,282	35,183,118
Exchange stabulization Other costs	) 1	(3.0)	78,232,912	69,121,510	78,232,912	69,121,510
Total Expenditures	392,918,546	369,021,068	692,732,387	461,006,352	1,085,650,933	830,027,420
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	1,172,492	780,346	244,240,331	199'986'65	245,412,823	60,767,007

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 (WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR 1997)

		REST	RESTRICTED FUND	3			CAPITY/	CAPITAL FUND				
	Thomashan			Control	Cronsortal		I louist Accorts	Linnid Assets Tinnid Assets	Repairs and			Total
	Current fund General	d General	Endowment	Reserve	Program Fund	Fixed Assets	Unallocated	Allocated	Reserve	Agency Fund	1998	0
	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	BAHT	
Balances July L, 1997 (Note 9)	38,514,715	38,514,715 116,483,040	82,102,946	245,596,162	85,937,252	1,662,248,531	4,891,213	(41.559,206)	2,119,523	171,810,818	2,368,144,994	2,276,796,997
Adjustments:												
Disposal of assets					,	(10,077,218)	ī	i			(10,077,218)	(100,893,289)
Devaluation of Debenture & Warrant			-	(8,393,614)							(8,393,614)	(3,708,500)
Additions :												
Excess of revenues over expenditures												
(expenditures over revenues)	1,172,492	1,172,492 244,240,331		3,237,567	(468572)			1		(70,690,347)	177,491,471	128,027,276
Investment income.	,	,	1,681,800	16,640,596	4	b'	6,921,320	i		1	25,243,716	18,976,918
Government grants and appropriations			218,725		-		17.	43,076,483		•	43,295,208	36,156,964
Gain on rate of exchange			1	101	1	4				i		4
Miscellaneous income and contributions		,	8,255,042		1	. 1		21,072,690	1	N.	29,327,732	24,345,496
Contributions - in kind	,	1	7		ų,	1		37,401,431	i	7	37,401,431	12,043,087
Due from other fund				33,326,037			4		1		33,326,037	
Total	39,687,207	39,687,207 360,723,371	92,258,513	92.258,513 290,406,748	85,468,680	85,468,680 1,652,171,313	11.812.533	59,991,398	2,119,523	101,120,471	101,120,471 2,695,759,757	2,391,744,949
Deductions :												
Inter-fund transfer from (10)												
- Unrestricted Current Fund				1,172,492	i	i		E.			1,1725492	780,346
- Restricted Current Fund												
- General	1	(60,058,290)	3,000,000	9	ij.	ï.	9	149,920,963		50,000	92,912,673	
- Endowment		(3,000,000)		b	i	i		-			(3,000,000)	
- General Reserve	(1,172,492)		i	1	1	i		8,168,690	1	5,878,927	12,875,125	(390,173)
- Liquid Assets Capital Fund												
- Allocated		(149,920,963)		(8,168,690)	1	1	4	-		i i	(158,089,653)	
- Repairs and Maintenance Reserve	,	1	ï	,	Q.	i i		1				(390,173)
- Agency Fund		(50,000)		(5,878,927)	1	Ÿ	4	1	1	7	(5.928,927)	
Expenditures for plant facilities												
- Cash				x.	000	126,488,007	1	(32,695,684)		,	93,792,323	60,329,645
- Kind			,	9.	· ·	37,401,431		(37,401,431)		à	,	(12,043,087)
Other cost												
- General		,		1	42	ï	(2,859,763)	(2,859,763) (109,399,855)		1	(112,259,618)	(71,886,513)
- Due to other fund				(33,326,037)		ï				1	(33,326,037)	×
Total	(1,172,492)	(1,172,492) (213,029,253)	3,000,000	3,000,000 (46,201,162)		163,889,438	(2,859,763)	(21,407,317)	31	5,928,927	(111,851,622)	(23,599,955)
Balances June 30, 1998 (Note 9)	38,514,715	38,514,715 147,694,118	95,258,513	95,258,513 244,205,586	85,468,680	85,468,680 1,816,060,751	8,952,770	38,584,081	2,119,523	107,049,398	107,049,398 2,583,908,135	2,368,144,994

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