

Holland Alumni Association Thailand

Netherlands Alumni Association Thailand (NAAT)

Established: 1971

Membership

Number of members: 683

Most of the association's members:

- received a scholarship (NFP, Thai Royal Government);
- followed a master (+/-45%), bachelor programme 35%, PhD (+/-10%) and short courses (+/-10%);
- popular fields of study: business and economics, law and international relations/development, veterinary sciences, water management and technology, food and environmental sciences, architecture & urban planning and health sciences;
- live in Bangkok +/- 75 % (Central region), Chiangmai +/- 15 % (Northern region) and a smaller number in the North - Eastern 5% and Southern provinces of Thailand 5%.

Objectives

- organising events for alumni to meet and share their experiences of studying in the Netherlands;
- promoting opportunities for alumni to re-establish, maintain and strengthen ties with former host institutions and the Netherlands upon their return to Thailand;
- enhancing acknowledgement and recognition of alumni and encouraging them to pursue contact with fellow alumni and their former host institutions.

Alumni activities

- NAAT Annual General Meeting;
- Tulip Night: an annual event for alumni and potential students to meet;
- 'Welcome back' events for new alumni;
- Alumni cycling trip;
- Golf charity tournament;
- Tree planting event
- Study in Holland movie nights.

Career activities

- Holland Alumni career workshop, including a career development skills workshop;
- Alumni refresher courses.

Study in Holland ambassador programme

The Study in Holland Ambassador Programme selected thirteen alumni to represent Study in Holland in Bangkok (Central), Chiangmai (North), Songkla (South) and Kon Kaen (North-East).

Cooperation with Dutch higher education institutions

Over the past few years we have co-organised alumni activities with UNESCO- IHE, the Erasmus Institute for Housing and Development Studies and the University of Twente's ITC faculty of Geo-information Science and earth observations. Events included a seminar on flood risk management with speakers from the ITC, hosted at the Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency in Thailand.

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