

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## Polladach Theerapappisit, PhD, MPIA



### 1. Education and Qualifications

- Ph.D. in Planning, Faculty of Arch. Bldg. & Planning, University of Melbourne, Australia (2008)
- M.Sc. in Urban Development Planning and Environmental Management (1995, with 'Excellent' thesis grade), School of Environment, Resources and Development, Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand
- B.Arch. (honours) (1988) Faculty of Architecture, Silapakorn University, Thailand
- Professional Program Development and Funding Certification by North American Program Planning and Policy Academy (2011)
- Certificate of Training: Boosting Your Writing Skills (November 2011)
- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAA40104: Competency Training Institute of Australia, 2009)
- Corporate Member of the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA): active member since 2009
- Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) Master Coach (Christopher Howard Training, 2009)
- Diploma of Life Coaching (Australian Institute of Coaching, 2013 – present)

### 2. Employment

- Lecturer in Architectural Heritage Management and Tourism (International Program), Silpakorn University (2014 – present)
- Sessional/Part-time Academic, School of Management, School of Natural and Built Environments, UniSA (2013 – present)
- Adjunct, School of Social Sciences and Psychology, Western Sydney University (March 2013–present)
- Lecturer and Course Advisor, School of Social Sciences and Psychology, Western Sydney University, Australia (2001-2013, tenured position)
- Tutor, Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning, The University of Melbourne, Australia (2000)
- Lecturer in Urban Planning at King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi and lecturer at School of Architecture, Sripatham University, Thailand (1998, contract position)
- Assistant to the Project Team Leader (Urban Planner) at Pacific Consultants International Asia (Japan) for the Asian Development Bank Regional Technical Assistance Project (1998, contract position)
- Senior Architect and Planner at Woodhead International Co. Ltd., a multidisciplinary design consultancy with offices throughout Australia, Asia and Pacific Rim (1997, tenured position)
- Project Manager at Natural Park (Public) Co. Ltd., Department of Design, Construction Planning and Control (1996, tenured position)
- Project/Landscape Architect at Nichada Thani Property Development (1992-1993, tenured position)
- Architect and Urban Designer at *Architect 49* Group of Company (1987-1992)

### 3. Honours and Awards

- Granted \$61,500 for the Short-Term Study Program 2013 and AsiaBound Project 2014 (Australian Government/DIISTRE's Funding) in 'Development Issues in Southeast Asia' project in Thailand, two weeks in July 2013 and July 2014, respectively.
- Being invited to be a convener at the Asia-Pacific Week and Summer School – Conference/Workshop Program, Feb. 1-4, 2005 at the Faculty of Asian Studies, Australian National University (ANU)
- Being on the workshop and Readers Reference Group for the development of *Steps to Sustainable Tourism*, a planning tool towards sustainable future for tourism, heritage and the environment, developed by Heritage and Tourism Section, Department of the Environment and Heritage, Australian Government, published in June 2004
- Awarded 'Excellence in Teaching' for the annual Vice Chancellor's Excellence Awards (2002)
- Awarded 'Melbourne Research Scholarships' and 'Melbourne International Fee Remission Scholarships' from the University of Melbourne for Ph.D. Study (1999–2005)
- Awarded 'Overseas Research Students Awards Scheme' from the UK Government and "International Postgraduate Research Scholarship' from the University of Liverpool for M.Phil. (Town Planning) leading to Ph.D. Study (1998)
- Awarded as one in three of the AIT team to participate in the 6th Asian Built Environment Workshop at Fukuoka, Japan, proposing a new university design concept approachable to the community (1995)
- Awarded 'King's Scholarship' for postgraduate study (International Masters Program) at AIT (1994)
- Awarded 'Excellent Thesis' from AIT and Architectural Siam Association (ASA) in Thailand (1995, 1987)
- Awarded a short-course certification in 'Modern Real Estate Management' and rewarded the *Excellent Team* [top-score], by Faculty of Architecture, Chulalongkorn University (1996)

#### 4. Key Areas of Interest

- Thai/Asian Studies, Cultural Studies
- Urban and Regional Planning, Case Studies
- Project Governance/Stakeholder Analysis
- Sustainable Communities/Housing and Environments
- Research Methodology (qualitative), Bottom-Up Approach
- Tourism Studies, Local Participation/Empowerment

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### List of Publications

#### Book

Theerapappisit, P. 2008, *Planning Mekong Tourism: A Study of Ethnic Communities in Thailand*, ISBN=978-363909488, VDM Publishing, Germany (See: [www.amazon.com/Planning-Mekong-Tourism-Communities-Thailand/dp/3639094883](http://www.amazon.com/Planning-Mekong-Tourism-Communities-Thailand/dp/3639094883)).

#### Book Chapters

Theerapappisit, P. 2012, 'The Bottom-up Approach of Ethnic Tourism: A Case Study in Chiang Rai', in Kasimoglu, M. (ed.), *Tourism - Industry and Insights*, ISBN 979-953-307-532-6, InTech Open Access Publisher, Vienna.

Theerapappisit, P. 2011, 'The Mekong Tourism Dilemma: Converging Forces, Contesting Values', in D. Dredge & J. Jenkins (eds), *Stories of Practice: Tourism Policy and Planning*, pp. 199–225, Ashgate Publishing, Surrey, UK.

Theerapappisit, P. 2003, 'River Life Transition: From Agro-cities to Agritourism', in R. King, O. Panin & C. Parin (eds), *Modernity, Tradition, Culture, Water: Bangkok-Melbourne-Bordeaux Symposium*, KU Press, Bangkok.

#### Journal Articles / Published Refereed Papers

Theerapappisit, P. 2009, 'Pro-poor Ethnic Tourism in the Mekong: A Study of Three Approaches in Northern Thailand', *Asia Pacific Journal of Tourism Research*, Vol.14, No.2, pp. 201–221.

Theerapappisit, P. 2006, *Ethnic Tourism in the Mekong: Towards Pro-poor Tourism*, New Zealand Tourism and Hospitality Research Conference Proceedings, CD-ROM, University of Otago, Dunedin.

Theerapappisit, P. & Staiff, R. 2006, *Tourism and Modernity: Perceptions of Tourism and Development in Three Northern Thai Villages*, Conference Proceedings of the Council for Australian University Tourism and Hospitality Education (CAUTHE), CD-ROM, Victoria University, Melbourne.

<sup>1</sup>Theerapappisit, P. 2004, *Degradation or Enhancement through Tourism: A Role for Ethical/Religious Approaches*, Conference Proceedings of the Council for Australian University Tourism and Hospitality Education (CAUTHE), CD-ROM, Queensland University, Brisbane.

<sup>2</sup>Theerapappisit, P. 2003, 'Mekong Tourism Development: Capital or Social Mobilisation?', *Tourism Recreation Research*, vol. 28, no. 1, pp. 47–56.

Theerapappisit, P. 2003, *Tourism Development: Cultural Crisis of the Mekong*, Conference Proceedings of the Council for Australian University Tourism and Hospitality Education (CAUTHE), CD-ROM, Southern Cross University, Coffs Harbour, NSW.

Theerapappisit, P. 2003, 'Buddhist Ethics: Planning towards Sustainable Community-Based Tourism', in *Journal of the Faculty of Architecture*, Silpakorn University, Bangkok, Vol.19, pp. 159-169.

#### Selected conference presentations:

Theerapappisit, P. 2012, *Tourism Ethics: Converging Compromises and Tensions*, Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Conference, 24-28 February, New York.

Theerapappisit, P. 2011, *Tourism and Multimedia: Representations of Cultural Heritage and Identity*, *International Tourism and Media Conference (ITAM)*, La Trobe University, 28-30 November, Melbourne.

Theerapappisit, P. 2011, *The Arts of Tourism and Living Museum: Re-Interpreting Mekong's Representations of Cultural Heritage and Community Identity*, a working paper presented at the Council for Australian University Tourism and Hospitality Education (CAUTHE) conference, University of South Australia, Adelaide.

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<sup>1</sup> This paper is reprinted as Chapter 3 of the *International Institute for Peace through Tourism (IIPT)*'s Occasional Papers Series edited by Ian Kelly, IIPT Educators Network Coordinator. See: [www.iipt.org/educators/OccasionalPapers.htm](http://www.iipt.org/educators/OccasionalPapers.htm)

<sup>2</sup> This paper is reprinted as one of the *Ethics Articles Published in the Hospitality Journals for 2003*, collected by Prof. Christine Jaszay, Director of Isbell Hospitality Ethics at Northern Arizona University. See: [www2.nau.edu/~clj5/Ethics/bibliography2003.htm](http://www2.nau.edu/~clj5/Ethics/bibliography2003.htm)

- Theerapappisit, P. 2010, *Alternative Ethics to Tourism Development towards Peace and Sustainability: A Case Study of Thailand-Cambodian Border Town*, The 21<sup>st</sup> Conference of the International Association of Historians of Asia (IAHA), 22-25 June, Singapore.
- Theerapappisit, P. & Staiff, R. 2009, *Revisiting Heritage, Tourism and Modernity: Conflicting Perceptions in Development*, Conference Proceedings: Heritage in Asia: Converging Forces and Conflicting Values, Asian Research Institute, Singapore.
- Theerapappisit, P. 2002, *Village-Based Tourism in the Mekong*, the 8<sup>th</sup> International Thai Studies Conference Proceedings, Ramkhamhaeng University, Nakhon Pranom.
- Theerapappisit, P. 2001, *Local Participation in Tourism Planning Policies*, Australian-Thai Studies Conference Proceedings, RMIT University, Melbourne.
- Theerapappisit, P. 2001, *Balancing Diversity: Research Experiences in Thailand*, Australian Educators in Landscape Architecture Conference: Cross-Cultural Perspectives in Landscape Architectural Education & Research, Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning, University of Melbourne.
- Theerapappisit, P. 2000, *Planning towards Sustainable Tourism in the Greater Mekong Subregion*, Conference Proceedings: Shaping the Sustainable Millenium: Collaborative Approaches, Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Brisbane.

### **Australian Government/DIISTRE's Funding [Total of \$61,500]**

- Granted \$40,000 for the Asian Bound Program 2014 in 'Development Issues in Southeast Asia' project in Thailand, 14 Western Sydney University students for two weeks in July 2014.
- Granted \$21,500 for the Short-Term Study Program 2013 in 'Development Issues in Southeast Asia' project in Thailand, 10 Western Sydney University students for two weeks in July 2013.

### **Summary of Research Grants [Total of \$46,936.84]**

Theerapappisit, P. 2011, *Australian Perceptions on the Images of Thailand as a Tourist Destination*, funded by the Tourism Authority of Thailand's Sydney Office. [*\$18,384.88*]

Theerapappisit, P. 2009, *Alternative Ethics to Tourism Development towards Peace and Sustainability: A Case Study of Thailand-Cambodian Border Town*, funded by the School of Social Sciences, Western Sydney University. [*\$5,000*]

Bushell, R., Staiff, R. & Theerapappisit, P. 2007, *Parramatta Stories: Value Based Community Development*, in collaboration with the Parramatta City Council and the Centre for Cultural Research. [*\$17,409.00*]

This Western Sydney University funded research project aims to identify local values and issues that will inform and assist in the planning process for tourism product development that is appropriate to the context of a culturally diverse community. The project is undertaken in several stages including the development of an application for funding to the Australian Research Council.

### **International Research Income (Funded Research Paper–International Partnerships): Total of \$ 6,143**

Theerapappisit, P. 2005, *Top-Down Tourism: Impacts on the Grassroots*, A research paper presented at the Workshop 'Mekong Tourism: Learning across Borders', funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, hold at the Social Research Institute, Chiang Mai University, 24-25 Feb. 2005, Chiang Mai. [*\$ 2,608.00*]

Theerapappisit, P. 2004, *A Review of Community-Based Tourism*, A research paper presented in the Seminar 'Integrated Development of Sustainable Tourism in the Mekong Region', funded by the National Research Council of Thailand, hold at Anantara Resort and Spa Golden Triangle, 15-16 Oct. 2004, Chiang Rai. [*\$ 1,796.00*]

<sup>3</sup>Theerapappisit, P. 2004, *Policy and Planning of Tourism Product Development in Asian Countries*, A synthesis paper published in the 'Asian Cohesion through Development Research' Conference Proceedings, the 6<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of Asian Development Research Forum (ADRF), funded by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) in Canada, hold at Siam City Hotel, 7-8 Jun. 2004, Bangkok. [*\$ 1,739*]

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<sup>3</sup> See: [http://adrf.trf.or.th/Policy\\_brief.asp](http://adrf.trf.or.th/Policy_brief.asp)