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### **Thaicom supports "iEMAT Summer EM School" Enhancing Thailand's engineering technology, Electromagnetics and Telecommunication**

Thaicom PLC, led by **Mr. Ekachai Phakdurong, Senior Vice President-Corporate Affairs** (Third from left) delivered an opening address at "2014 iEMAT Summer EM School", which is a seminar host by Thaicom and the Electrical Engineering/Electronics, Computer, Telecommunications and Information Technology Association of Thailand (ECTI Thailand). Thaicom, as the main sponsor, aims to support and create the new opportunity in Engineering Technology, Electromagnetics, Telecommunication and Information Technology (IT), together with creating a high performance knowledge sharing network among the professional engineers and the academics in Thailand and from international. This seminar will enhance Thailand's engineering and empower its competitiveness in the international level. The seminar was held from 4 to 6 June 2014 at King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang. Prof.Dr.Monai Krairiksh, acting KMITL President, (Third from right) also joined the opening ceremony.

With a vision of a leading satellite operator, Thaicom's commitment to the society has been focused on Educational Support which aims for a sustainable development among the Thai society, the global industry as well as the business.

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**About Thaicom**

Thaicom Public Company Limited, a leading Asian satellite operator, was established in 1991 with unique proposition in providing integrated solutions for satellite broadcast and broadband. The Company houses high profiled engineering teams to provide leading-edge innovative solutions on telecommunication and satellite that answer every need with a full spectrum of services. Until now, Thaicom has launched six satellites into the orbit; three satellites are in operations. Thaicom 5 and Thaicom 6 are a "Hot Bird" broadcasting satellite for Thailand and SE Asia, boarding more than 600 TV channels, coverage over Thailand, SE Asia and Africa (by the name "Africom-1"). Thaicom 4 (IPSTAR) is the world's first broadband satellite and is providing broadband services to 14 countries across Asia-Pacific region. With the unique performance and technology of Thaicom 4, the Company has provided its solutions to many countries in the region to enable the broadband connectivity everywhere, also to recover communication networks at the time of disasters.

In 2014, THAICOM 7 will be launched in addition to existing satellite while THAICOM 8 has been under the production process which will finally also be launched to the "Hot Bird", 78.5 degrees EAST around the first half of 2016. The new bird will increase more transponders that serve the countries in Asia and Africa.

Thaicom PLC is listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) under the trade symbol "THCOM".

**About THAICOM 7**

THAICOM 7 is now under construction by Orbital Sciences Corporation of U.S.A. There are 14 C-Band transponders in total, covering South Asia, Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand. THAICOM 7 will be launched into the 120 degrees East around mid-2014 conveyed by Space Exploration Technologies Corporation (SPACE X)'s Falcon 9 of USA. This will create the economic opportunity of Thailand and expand the competency of the company to provide telecommunication services as well as respond to the customer demand within the servicing area.

**About THAICOM 8**

THAICOM 8 will have a total of 24 Ku-Band transponders, covering Thailand, South Asia and Africa. THAICOM 8 will serve customers' needs for increased Ku-band capacity and also strengthen THAICOM's Hot Bird platform at 78.5 Degrees East. Orbital Sciences Corporation will be the manufacturer of the satellite and Space Exploration Technologies Corporation (SPACE X) will be the launcher of the satellite.

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