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Thaicom continually supports 2015 iEMAT Winter EM School Enhancing Thailand's engineering and telecommunication technology

Thaicom PLC. led by **Mr. Ekachai Phakdurong, Senior Vice President-Corporate Affairs** (Third from left) delivered an opening address and disclosed Thaicom's policy in the 2015 iEMAT Winter EM School opening ceremony which was held for the 2nd year in associate between Thaicom and iEMAT to support and create the new opportunity in Engineering Technology, together with creating a high performance knowledge sharing network among the students, professional engineers and the academics in Thailand and from international, enhance Thailand's engineering and empower its competitiveness in the international level. The event was held on January 23, 2015 at King Mongkut's University of Technology North Bangkok.

As a main sponsor, Thaicom has been continually supporting this project to sustain the company's commitment in Creating Shared Value and enhance the sustainable development of all related stakeholders and improve the educational opportunities in Thailand in the belief that a strong education system leads to a strong nation. This project is one of Thaicom social responsibility's series to enhance the development in engineering and science profession, together with the integrated cooperation in knowledge sharing and research in the country. This cooperation is divided in 3 areas;

1. To provide training course to target group, focusing on the knowledge and experience sharing among the professional engineers.

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2. To support the research and Knowledge Exchange from Thai professional engineers and researchers.
3. To publicize the knowledge and practicable procedure for the generally benefit to the society.

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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 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 built 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 in September 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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