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Thaicom brings space into reach for Thailand's young minds: Thaicom PLC, Thailand's satellite operator and source of expertise on space activities, recently opened its Thaicom Space & Satellite Pavilion to offer the Thai public, and youth in particular, a chance to learn about space interactively. Visitors will be able to explore mankind's missions into space and take pride in the technology that makes such missions possible, including satellites designed by Thai engineers. Designed to create a self-paced learning experience, the pavilion allows visitors to navigate through the history of satellite one chapter at a time through zones entitled Revolving Universe, Understanding Orbits, All About Satellite, How To Get There, Thaicom Satellites, Expanding Frontiers, and Thaicom Space Mission. The grand opening of the pavilion, held on 23 March 2016 at Thaicom Satellite Station, Kae Rai, was led by **Professor Hiran Radeesri, independent director and Chairman of the Audit Committee** (left), and **Mr. Paiboon Panuwattanawong, Chief Executive Officer** (right), and attended by senior management as well as Somdej Phra Puttajarn (Sanit Chuanpunyo), the abbot of Wat Traimitr Withayaram Worawiharn, a Buddhist temple.

In its 25th year, Thaicom PLC has continued initiatives to support education and research, especially in the areas of space and satellite technology. The company believes that inspiring and educating Thailand's next generation on space and satellites is essential to national

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development in an increasingly globalized world where both the economy and society rely heavily on advances in science and electrical engineering. Through knowledge sharing initiatives, Thaicom aims to convey the story of space and satellites in a way that is easy to understand, relatable, and interactive. Beyond the Thaicom Space & Satellite Pavilion located at Thaicom Satellite Station, Thaicom also offers tours of its satellite operations room as well as guided tours of the pavilion led by satellite experts who can explain each zone and offer insights into the details of how Thaicom operates its satellites. Those interested in arranging a group visit may contact Corporate Communications, Thaicom PLC at 02-596-5060. For more details, visit www.thaicom.net or Facebook/ThaicomPLC.

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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, providing 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 September 2014, THAICOM-7 was 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-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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