

Final Program

ETHICS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: 4th Session of the World Commission on the Ethics of Scientific Knowledge and Technology (COMEST)

**The Imperial Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand
23-25 March 2005**

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Thai National Commission for UNESCO, Ministry of Education

Tuesday 22nd March 2005	
14:00 – 20:00 hrs.	<p>Pre-registration Venue: COMEST Secretariat Room (Benjasiri Room, Mezzanine Floor)</p>
Wednesday 23 rd March 2005 – Opening Ceremony (By Invitation Only) and Sessions	
07:30 – 08:30 hrs.	<p>Registration and Coffee Break Venue: Queen's Park 1-2, 2nd Floor</p>
<p>08:30 – 11:30 hrs. (By Invitation Only)</p> <p>09.00 hrs.</p> <p>09:00 – 10:30 hrs.</p>	<p>Opening Ceremony Venue: Queen's Park 1-2, 2nd Floor</p> <p>(The delegates of Opening Ceremony are requested to take their seats at 08:30 hrs.)</p> <p>Arrival of HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn at the Imperial Queen's Park Hotel</p> <p>The conference will be presided over by HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Science and Technology of Thailand • Multi-media presentation on "The Ethics of Science and Technology" • Prime Minister of Thailand • Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO • Jens Erik Fenstad, President of COMEST • HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn
10:30 – 11:30 hrs.	<p>Keynote Addresses Venue: Queen's Park 1-2, 2nd Floor</p> <p>Keynote speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO • Yongyuth Yuthavong, Professor of Biochemistry, Former President of Thai Academy of Science and Technology, Senior Researcher of National Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, NSTDA (Thailand)
11:30 – 14:00 hrs.	<p>Break for Lunch Venue: Rainbow Room, 5th Floor</p>

<p>14:00 – 15:30 hrs.</p> <p>14:00 – 14:20 hrs.</p> <p>14:20 – 14:30 hrs.</p> <p>14:30 – 14:40 hrs.</p> <p>14:40 – 15:30 hrs.</p>	<p>Session on Education of Ethics Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2nd Floor</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Chairs: Jens Erik Fenstad, Professor of Mathematical Logic, University of Oslo, Chairperson of COMEST (Norway) and Pavich Tongroach, Secretary-General, Office of the Higher Education (Thailand)</p> <p>Speaker: Diego Gracia, Psychiatrist and Philosopher, Professor of Ethics and Health Sciences, Complutense University, COMEST Member (Spain)</p> <p>Responders: Ruben Apressyan, Philosopher, Professor of Philosophy, Institute of Philosophy, Moscow Lomonosov State University, COMEST Member (Russian Federation) Soraj Hongladarom, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)</p>
<p>15:30 – 16:00 hrs.</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>	
<p>16:00 – 17:30 hrs.</p> <p>16:00 – 16:20 hrs.</p> <p>16:20 – 16:30 hrs.</p> <p>16:30 – 16:40 hrs.</p> <p>16:40 – 17:30 hrs.</p>	<p>Session on Environmental Ethics Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2nd Floor</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Chairs: James Peter Kimmins, Professor of Forest Ecology, University of British Columbia, COMEST Member (Canada) and Saksit Tridech, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Science and Technology (Thailand)</p> <p>Speaker: Johan Hattingh, Philosopher, Professor and Chair of the Department of Philosophy, University of Stellenbosch, COMEST Member (South Africa)</p> <p>Responders: Nadja Tollemache, Lawyer and Ombudsman, COMEST Member (New Zealand) Chamniern Paul Vorratnchaiphan Director, Grassroots Action Program, Thailand Environment Institute (TEI) (Thailand)</p>
<p>18:00 – 19:00 hrs. *Special event organized by UNESCO Bangkok</p>	<p>Presentation of 2004 UNESCO Prize for Human Rights Education Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2nd Floor</p>	<p>Ceremony includes presentation of the prize by Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO to the recipient, Vitit Muntarbhorn, Professor of Law, Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)</p>

19:00 – 21:00 hrs.	Cocktail hosted by the Director-General of UNESCO Venue: Poolside, 9 th Floor	
Thursday 24th March 2005		
<p>09:00 – 10:30 hrs.</p> <p>9:00 – 9:20 hrs.</p> <p>9:20 – 9:30 hrs.</p> <p>9:30 – 9:40 hrs.</p> <p>9:40 – 10:30 hrs.</p>	<p>Session on Good Governance of Science and Technology Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2nd Floor</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Chairs: Leila Seth, Jurist, Judge of the Delhi High Court, Chairperson of the Multiple Action Research Group and of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Human Right Initiative India, COMEST Member (India) and Yodhathai Thebtaranonth, Professor of Chemistry, President of Thai Academy of Science and Technology (Thailand)</p> <p>Speaker: Minister of Science and Technology (Thailand)</p> <p>Responder: Jens Erik Fenstad, Professor of Mathematical Logic, University of Oslo, Chairperson of COMEST (Norway) Orapin Sopchokchai, Commissioner, Public Sector Development Commission, Office of the Prime Minister (Thailand)</p>
10:30 – 11:00 hrs.	Coffee Break	
<p>11:00 – 12:30 hrs.</p> <p>11:00 – 11:20 hrs.</p> <p>11:20 – 11:30 hrs.</p> <p>11:30 – 11:40 hrs.</p> <p>11:40 – 12:30 hrs.</p>	<p>Session on Benefit Sharing and International Cooperation in Research Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2nd Floor</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Chairs: Alain Pompidou, Medical Doctor and Biologist, Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, Cochinchina, President of the European Patent Office, COMEST Member (France) and Krissanapong Kirtikara, President, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (Thailand)</p> <p>Speaker: Lu Yongxiang, Professor of Engineering Sciences, President of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, COMEST Member (China)</p> <p>Responders: Luiz H.Pereira da Silva, Medical Doctor and Biologist, Professor of Parasitology, University of Sao Paulo, Scientific Director of the Tropical Medicine Research Center, Porto Velho, Rondonia, COMEST Member (Brazil) Pinit Ratanakul, Director, The College of Religious Studies, Mahidol University (Thailand)</p>

12:30 – 14:00 hrs.	Break for Lunch	Venue: Rainbow Room, 5 th Floor
14:00 – 15:30 hrs.	Session on Animals and Ethics Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2 nd Floor	Chairs: Diego Gracia , Psychiatrist and Philosopher, Professor of Ethics and Health Sciences, the Complutense University, COMEST Member (Spain) and Somsak Chunharad , Secretary-General, National Public Health Foundation (Thailand)
14:00 – 14:20 hrs.		Speaker: Sukhit Phaosavasdi , Manager and Editor of Journal of The Medical Association of Thailand (Thailand)
14:20 – 14:30 hrs.		Responders: Ruben Apressyan , Philosopher, Professor of Philosophy, Institute of Philosophy, Moscow Lomonosov State University, COMEST Member (Russia Federation)
14:30 – 14:40 hrs.		Puckprink Sangdee , Senior Principal Medical Scientist, Department of Medical Sciences (Thailand)
14:40 – 15:30 hrs.	Discussion	
15:30 – 16:00 hrs.	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30 hrs.	Session on Human Rights and Ethics Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2 nd Floor	Chairs: Pierre Sane , Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences (UNESCO) and Saneh Chamarik , Professor of Political Science, Chair Person of National Human Rights Commission of Thailand (Thailand)
16:00 – 16:20 hrs.		Speaker: Sang-yong Song , Professor of Philosophy, Hanyang University, Seoul, President of Korean Bioethics Association and Vice-President of the Asian Bioethics Association, COMEST Member (South Korea)
16:20 – 16:30 hrs.		Responders: David Jan McQuoid-Mason , Professor of Law, University of Natal, Durban (South Africa)
16:30 – 16:40 hrs.		Saratoon Santivasa , Associate Professor of Law, Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)
16:40 – 17:30 hrs.	Discussion	
19:00 – 21:00 hrs.	Cultural Event / Dinner hosted by the Government of Thailand Venue: Rainbow Room, 5 th Floor	

Friday 25 th March 2005- Youth Forum, Round Tables and Closing Ceremony		
09:00 – 10:30 hrs.	Youth Forum on Ethics of Science and Technology Venue: Queen's Park 2, 2 nd Floor Chairs:	Ministerial Meeting (Closed Session) Venue: Queen's Park 3, 2 nd Floor
09:00 – 09:15 hrs.	Pilar Armanent Armanet , Director of Higher Education, Ministry of Education. Former President of the National Council for Television.	
09:15 – 09:30 hrs.	Professor of International Relations at the University of Chile (Chile) and Khunying Sumonta Promboon , Professor of Genetics, President of the Science Society of Thailand (Thailand)	
09:30 – 09:50 hrs.	Speaker : Prapon Wilairat , Professor of Biochemistry, Department of Biochemistry Faculty of Science, Mahidol University, Thailand Outstanding Scientist 1997, Outstanding Teacher in Science and Technology 2004 (Thailand)	
09:50 – 10:10 hrs.		
10:10 – 10:30 hrs.	Responders: Palangpon Kongsaree , Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, Mahidol University, the award-winning of Young Scientist from Foundation for Promotion of Science and Technology 2003 (Thailand) S. Ravi Silva , Professor of Solid State Electronics, the award-winning of 2003 the Albert Einstein Silver Medal and Javed Husain Prize for Young Scientist by UNESCO (Sri Lanka)	
	Representative Students from UNESCO	

	Representative Young Scientists and Students from Thailand		
10:30 – 11:00 hrs.	Coffee Break		
11:00 – 12:00 hrs.	Youth Forum on Ethics of Science and Technology (Student Discussion)	Ministerial Meeting (Closed Session) (continuation)	
11:00 – 11:30 hrs. 11:30 – 12:00 hrs.	Discussion		
12:00 – 14:30 hrs.	Break for Lunch Venue: Rainbow Room, 5 th Floor		
14:30 – 16:30 hrs.	Round Table on the Ethical Use of GMOs Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2 nd Floor Chair: Nadja Tollemache , Lawyer and Ombudsman, COMEST Member (New Zealand) and Banpot Napompeth , Adviser of National Biological Control Research Centre, Kasetsart University (Thailand)	Round Table on Ethics and Technological Innovation/ Emerging Technologies Venue: Queen's Park 3, 2 nd Floor Chair: Jen Erik Fenstad Professor of Mathematical logic, University of Oslo, Chairperson of COMEST (Norway) and Suvit Vibulsresth , Former Director, Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency (Public Organization) (Thailand)	Youth Forum of Ethics of Science and Technology (continuation) Venue: Queen's Park 2, 2 nd Floor Discussion
14:30 – 15:00 hrs.	Speaker: Sakarindr Bhumiratana , President of the National Science and Technology Development Agency (Thailand)	Speaker: Alain Pampidou , Medical Doctor and Biologist, Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, Cochin-Royal, COMEST Member (France)	
15:00 – 15:15 hrs.	Responders: Pakdee Pothisiri , Secretary-General of Food and Drug Administration (Thailand)	Responder: Weerapong Pairsuwan , Director of National Synchrotron Research Centre (Thailand)	

15:15 – 15:30 hrs.	Mathias Kaiser , Director of the National Committee for Research Ethics in Science and Technology (NENT), Norway		
15:30 – 16:30 hrs.	Discussion	Discussion	
16:30 – 17:30 hrs.	Closing Addresses Venue: Queen's Park 1, 2 nd Floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Science and technology, Thailand announces Bangkok Declaration from Ministerial Meeting; • Pierre Sane, Assistant Director-general for Social and Human Sciences of UNESCO presents conclusion of COMEST Meeting; • Youth Representatives present Youth Forum Summary Report to Minister of Science and Technology, Thailand and Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences of UNESCO; • Johan Hatting, Rapporteur of COMEST, presents the report of the COMEST session, • Jens Erik Fenstad, President of COMEST; New President of COMEST (elected at the 4th ordinary session) • Minister of Science and Technology closes the 4th Session of COMEST. 	

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