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History Teaching in 21st-Century Education

Bangkok, Thailand: From 17-18 January 2023, the SEAMEO Regional Centre in Archaeology and Fine Arts (SPAFA) in partnership with the Office of Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education Thailand; Office of the Basic Education Commission, Ministry of Education Thailand; and Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre will organize a 2-day seminar for history teachers titled ‘History Teaching in 21st-Century Education’ at the Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre. The seminar aims to equip history teachers with the knowledge and tools on how to foster critical thinking and better engage students in learning about history by using integrated content. 100 history teachers and educators in Thailand will attend the seminar on-site at Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre with another 500 schools across Thailand attending via Zoom. The seminar will be conducted in the Thai language with a concurrent live broadcast on Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre’s Facebook (www.facebook.com/sac.anthropology) as well as a live broadcast with English translation for English audiences through SEAMEO SPAFA’s Facebook (www.facebook.com/seameo.spafa).

The seminar will begin on 17 January 2023, with renowned Thai historian Prof. Dr. Sunait Chutintaranond giving a keynote speech, “Interesting Ways to Teach History”, on the first day. The official opening ceremony will take place on the second day of the seminar, 18 January 2023, presided by H.E. Ms. Treenuch Thienthong, Minister of Education, Thailand, followed by a keynote speech on the ‘Background of Thai History Teaching and Guidelines on Knowledge Transfer’ by renowned Thai historian Emeritus Prof. Srisak Wanlipodom.

SEAMEO SPAFA welcomes the media to attend the 2-day seminar with the official opening ceremony on 18 January 2023 from 9:00 to 12:00. Please RSVP your attendance by contacting SEAMEO SPAFA at spafa@seameo-spafa.org. Further information can be found on SEAMEO SPAFA’s website at: https://www.seameo-spafa.org/seminar-on-history-teaching-in-21st-century-education-17-18-january-2023

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