

Historical Review:

The Centre was established on September 24th, 2004 by Dr. Sunanta Fabre. The centre was inaugurated on June 27th, 2005 by the president of the university, Dr. Vanchai Sirichana and Mr. Jacques Morcos from the French Embassy of Thailand. In the beginning the centre was engaged in the study of tourism, agro-industry and ICT due to the pressure of public demand and the strive to expand and strengthen economy of the Upper Mekong Sub-region. In 2005 the centre geared towards the research of a more sustainable development and thus a more prosperous economy. When the university opened new branches in social science, such as the fields of health science, cosmetic science and doctoral programs; the centre's attention was drawn to the social dynamics of contemporary Thailand. With the creation of a new laboratory in the school of cosmetic science, the centre was finally able to acquire modern tools for which to analyze spatial and temporal interrelations between these societies.

Objectives

- To develop sustainable academic cooperation between France and Thailand in science, social science, technology, language and culture
- To exchange academic knowledge and experience between France and Thailand

Vision

French-Upper Mekong Sub-region Academic Cooperation Centre at Mae Fah Luang University will be the centre of knowledge transference between France and GMS countries.

Missions and Vocation:

The centre has 4 primary missions:

1. Develop research activities
2. Develop academic activities: under graduate and graduate programs, expertise and training
3. Encourage cultural exchange between France and Thailand
4. To be a centre of documentation

The vocation of the centre is to involve itself in Lanna and in GMS.

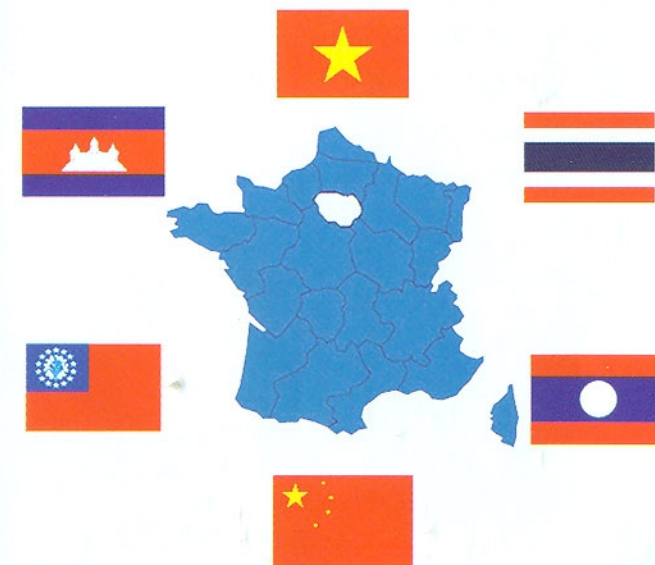


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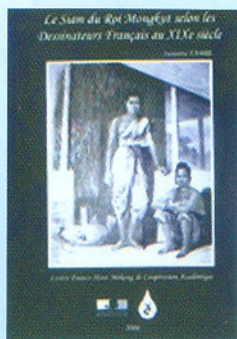


Discover the World with French-GMS Centre



DOCUMENTATION & PUBLICATION

- Le Siam dans l'Opinion Française
- Egyptian civilization (comparative to Thai civilization.)
- Le siam du Roi Mongkut selon les Dessinateurs Français au XIXe siècle
- Proceedings of seminars
- Newsletters
- Others (Annual reports, photos, etc)



LANGUAGE & CULTURE

- Fundamental French lesson for beginners
- French conversation class and cultural workshops with French trainee teacher
- Cooperate with the University of Montpellier III to establish and implement French language curriculum for foreigners (FLE), etc.
- Collaborates with Alliance Française in organizing art and cultural activities



RESEARCH

- Joint research program with French universities
- Exchange and share experts in research field

ACADEMIC

- Exchange professors / students with French universities
- Joint degree / joint certificate / cotutelle with French universities
- Holding international seminars

