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About the Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Srisakdi Charmonman

Professor Dr. Srisakdi Charmonman has extensive and well-rounded experience in education, business, government, and learned societies.

In education, he is the first Thai national to earn a Ph.D. in computer-related area and that was from Georgia Institute of Technology in the US in 1964. Then he became Director of Graduate Studies in Computer Science at the University of Missouri-Columbia in the US, Full Professor of Computer Science at the State University of New York at Brockport in the US, a full Professor at NIDA, a C-11 Professor at King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang in Thailand, and Founder and Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (*CEO*) of the *College of Internet Distance Education* (www.eLearning.au.edu).

In business, Prof. Srisakdi Charmonman was Chairman of Computer Professional Services Co., Ltd. providing consulting services to many organizations such as BAHINT and Siam Commercial Bank. He was Founder and Chairman of KSC which was the first and largest ISP (Internet Service Provider) in Thailand, once valued at one billion US\$, and Chairman of eASEAN Business Council.

In government, Prof. Srisakdi Charmonman was one of the few highest-ranking civil servants, i.e. C11 (the same rank as the highest-ranking Permanent Secretary in any Ministry, the same rank as Field Marshal in the armed forces, one rank higher than the Provincial Governors) and stayed in that rank for 10 years (longer than most other civil servants). He was Chairman of the Computer Working Group at the Office of the Prime Minister, Chairman of the Committee to Use the Internet to Display Traffic Conditions at the Office of the Prime Minister, Member of the University Civil Service Commission chaired by the Prime Minister, IT Expert in the Committee to Integrate and Revolutionize the National Records chaired by the Prime Minister, Deputy Chairman of the Extraordinary Committee on Copyrights of the House of Representatives, Chairman of five Subcommittees on National Professional Standards at the Ministry of Labor, Director of eCommerce Pilot Project and Chairman of the Committee on Specifications of eRegistration Project at the Ministry of Commerce, Expert Member of the National Copyright Committee, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Software Copyright in the National Copyright Committee, President of the Club of the Associate Judges of the Central Intellectual Properties and International Trade Court, etc.

In learned societies, Prof. Dr. Srisakdi Charmonman was Founder and President of Thailand Chapter of the ACM, Founder and President of Thailand Joint Chapter of the Computer Society and the Engineering Management Society of the IEEE, Founder and President of Thailand Chapter of ISOC, President of the Computer Association of Thailand under the Royal Patronage of HM the King 2000-2002, 2002-2004, 2006-2008 and 2008-2010. He was also elected one of the 5 Directors of APNIC, one of the 15 members of the Board of Trustees of ISOC, and one of the 10 members of the Board of Trustees of IFIP (International Federation for Information Processing).

Prof. Dr. Srisakdi Charmonman was named *Asian Computer Man of the Year 1981* and appeared on the front cover of Computer-Asia magazine published in Hong Kong. He was named *Father of the Internet in Thailand* by Bangkok Post and several other publications. He was named *Man of the Year* in 1996 and 1997 by GM Magazine, Person of the Year 2004 by EconNews (Vol. 15, No. 449, September 2004), and *Man of the Year 2004* by the American Biographical Institute. In 2006, the International Biographical Centre of Cambridge in England called him the *Father of Thai E-Learning*. He was named *Fellow of the Royal Institution of Great Britain*, with certificate signed by HRH the Duke of Kent, cousin of the Queen of UK.

Assumption University of Thailand honored him by constructing a 15 US\$ million building named "*Srisakdi Charmonman IT Center* (www.scBuilding.info)" and declared "Center of Excellence in IT Education" by the Ministry of Information and Communications Technology of Thailand.

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