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INVITATION TO INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

Linking Indigenous, local and scientific knowledges and practices in Thailand to global policymaking through the IPBES¹ Assessment on Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production²

Date: Friday 25th January 2019

Time: 9 am – 5 pm

Venue: UNISERV, Chiang Mai University, Thailand

We welcome invitees to this seminar which will introduce the Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), and in particular the outcomes of the IPBES Assessment Pollinators, Pollination and Food Production. IPBES recognizes the value of diverse knowledge systems in its assessments, and this seminar will specifically focus on how experiences in working across knowledge systems contributed to the outcome of the Pollinator Assessment. In particular, we look forward to reflecting on how Indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems can best collaborate based on equity, reciprocity, and usefulness for all involved.

The seminar will create opportunities to analyse and discuss the outcomes and key messages from the [Summary for Policy Makers](#) of the IPBES pollination assessment, together with academics, government representatives, Indigenous peoples and their organizations, farmers organizations, business representatives and media in Thailand, and also international scientist and holders of indigenous and local knowledges regarding pollination and pollinators.

Further, outcomes will be presented from a dialogue seminar that takes place over four days prior to the seminar in the Karen community of Hin Lad Nai, Chiang Rai. In this dialogue, international experts from indigenous, local and scientific knowledge systems have engaged with indigenous experts from the Karen community regarding pollinators and food systems.

The [IPBES Assessment on Pollination, Pollinators and Food Production](#) was the first IPBES thematic assessment, and viewed as a pilot of the procedures for working with Indigenous and local knowledge in assessments. It made important steps in advancing collaboration across knowledge systems, and contributed to IPBES' role in progressing the frontiers of sustainability science.

Lunch will be served in the seminar venue.

Please confirm your participation via email to Dr. Malee Sittikriangkrai (maleetow2@hotmail.com), Centre for Ethnic Study and Development (CESD), Social Science, Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai, Thailand. In the email indicate your full name, position and organization. Please confirm your participation at the latest 18 January 2019

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¹ The Intergovernmental Panel on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) is the intergovernmental body which assesses the state of biodiversity and of the ecosystem services it provides to society, in response to requests from decision makers. IPBES was founded in 2012 and has December 2018 131 states as members, among them Thailand. See: <https://www.ipbes.net>

² See: <https://www.ipbes.net/assessment-reports/pollinators>

