

Day 1: 16 October

09.00-09.10	Introduction by MC Mr Phouvong Phimmakong
09.10-09.20	Welcome remark by Assoc. Prof Saykhong Saynasine, Vice President of the National University of Laos
09.20-09.40	Higher Education Roadshow as Initiative to improve Higher Education Collaboration (Keynote speech) Dr Phonephet Boupha, Director General of Higher Education Department, Ministry of Education and Sports
09:40-9.55	Remark by EU Chargé d'Affaires Mr Michel Goffin
09.55-10.10	Opening Remark by H.E. Mme Sengdeuane Lachanthaboun, Vice Minister of Education and Sports
10.10-10.30	Photo Session and Break
10.30-12.00	Plenary session 1: Regional and transnational cooperation in higher education – strategic level developments Co-chaired by <ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Assoc. Prof Saykhong Saynasine, Vice President of the National University of Laos→ Dr. Stephen Webber, Team Leader, EHEF in Central Asia and Asia Project Presentation on the importance of higher-education cooperation in relations between the EU and Lao PDR Lord David Puttnam, UK Trade Envoy to Lao PDR Balanced mobility as a catalyst for quality and integration of Higher Education within the EU and ASEAN Mr Darren McDermott, International Education Development Consultant, Ireland Presentation of the new EU-SHARE programme Ms Destriani Nugroho, EU Delegation Indonesia Higher education cooperation - NUOL to emphasize on the international cooperation and partnership as the key for its development strategy Assoc. Prof. Dr Phouth Simmalavong, Vice President of National University of Laos Higher Education Cooperation for Academic Mobility and Research Cooperation Assoc. Prof Dr. Khamphay Sisavanh, President of Souphanouvong University
12.00-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.00	Plenary Session 2: Academic programme delivery in national and transnational contexts Co-chaired by <ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Assoc. Prof Dr. Khamphay Sisavanh, President of Souphanouvong University→ Dr. Stephen Webber, Team Leader, EHEF in Central Asia and Asia Project Academic programme delivery in a transnational context Mr Alan JP Murphy, Director of Transnational Education, University of Bedfordshire, UK Reflections on the implementation of Erasmus Mundus activities with partner institutions in Asia Professor Claudio Migliaresi, Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Trento, Italy Credit Transfer and Quality Assurance Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sitha Kemmarath, Vice President of Savannakhet University Teaching and Learning Organisation Assoc. Prof. Dr Khamphong Nammavongmixay, Director of Academic Affairs, National University of Laos

15.00-
15.30 Break

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17.00

Plenary Session 3:

Cooperation projects in higher education

Co-chaired by

- Assoc. Prof Saykhong Saynasine, Vice President of the National University of Laos
- Dr. Stephen Webber, Team Leader, EHEF in Central Asia and Asia Project

Presentation on projects developed in Laos by French research institutes (IRD, CIRAD, EFEO)

Mr Jérôme Dubois-Mercent, Head of cooperation, Embassy of France, Vientiane

Higher Education Capacity-building: The 2011-2015 Strengthening Higher Education Project (SHEP)

Dr David Marsh, EduCluster, University of Jyväskylä Group, Finland

Partnering with the National University of Laos, Faculty of Forestry to enhance forest governance curricula and teaching in South East Asia

Mr Marc Pavey, Centre for International Development and Training, University of Wolverhampton, UK

Research Cooperation Projects

Dr Phonesavanh Thepphasoulithone, Vice President of Champasack Univeristy

17.00- Closing remarks to plenary components of conference

17.30 Dr Phonephet Boupha, Director General of Higher Education Department, Ministry of Education and Sports

17.30- Reception for participants (venue: National University of Laos)
19.00

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09.30-
10.45

Employers' perspectives on higher education

Study opportunities in British universities / UK Chevening Scholarships programme

Mr James Kennedy, Director of the International Office, University of Warwick, UK

On employability and the value of higher education

Mr Guy Apovy, President of the European Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Laos / Chief Executive Officer of Allianz General Laos

Training needs from private sector

Dr Sanan Chounlamany, Vice President of Lao National Chamber of Commerce and Industry

10.45-
11.00 Break

11.00-
12.00

Opportunities for study and cooperation

Presentation of Erasmus Plus programme

Ms Destriani Nugroho, EU Delegation Indonesia:

NUOL Experiences on Implementation of EM Partnership Projects

Mr Phouvong Phimmakong, Interational Relations Office (NUOL)

Presentation of scholarship programme and activities of Campus France in Lao PDR

Ms Myriam Abdennebi, Campus France, Laos:

Presentation of Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme

Mr Miklos Gábor, Corvinno Technology Transfer Center, Hungary

DAAD scholarship offers

Ms Ferguson, Head of Cultural Affairs, German Embassy Vientiane

12.00-
13.00 Lunch

14.00-
15.00

Visit to high school: Question and Answer session with Vientiane high-school students