Report to the Chairman of the Opening Ceremony

In my capacity as the Chairman of the Organizing Committee, I and all members of the Committee would like to express our highest gratitude to H.E. Air Chief Marshal Kamthon Sindhvananda, Privy Councilor, for his kindness in accepting our invitation to chair the opening ceremony of the Fifth International Conference on eLearning for Knowledge-Based Society.

The objectives of the Conference are to share knowledge and advances in eLearning; to build networks of professionals, researchers, educators and policy-makers practicing eLearning; to expand the opportunity for knowledge interchange; to facilitate knowledge-sharing for ongoing initiatives; and to build repositories of current practices and lessons learned. The main theme of the Conference is “New Generation and New Values of eLearning”. The topics of interest are Best Practices in eLearning, eLearning Technology, Courseware Design and Production, Learning Management Systems, eLearning Principles and Practices, and any other related topics.

This Conference is the fifth one in the series started in the year 2004. The Conferences have been organized by the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology, the College of Internet Distance Education of Assumption University, the Computer Association of Thailand under the Royal Patronage of HM the King, the Interdisciplinary Network of the Royal Institute of Thailand under the Royal Patronage of HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn, Thailand Chapter of the Computer Society of the IEEE, Thailand Chapter of the ACM, Thailand Chapter of the Internet Society, and other learned societies. There were 42 papers from 10 countries in the First International Conference on eLearning for Knowledge-Based Society in the year 2004, 36 papers from 8 countries in the Second Conference in the year 2005, 49 papers from 15 countries in Third Conference in the year 2006, 37 papers from 15 countries in the Fourth Conference in the year 2007, and 46 papers from 15 countries in the Fifth Conference in the year 2008.

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