

# REGIONAL GEOHERITAGE CONFERENCE 2018

FIRST CIRCULAR

“GEOHERITAGE FOR PEOPLE”

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

At the Pullman Khon Kaen Raja Orchid Hotel,  
Khon Kaen, Thailand

Organized by



Department of Mineral Resources (DMR), Thailand  
Coordinating Committee for Geoscience Programmes in East and  
Southeast Asia (CCOP)  
The National Geopark of Thailand

In collaboration with



Geological Heritage Group of Malaysia (KWGM)  
Department of Mineral and Geoscience Malaysia (JMG)  
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)  
Universitas Pembangunan Nasional "Veteran", Indonesia (UPN "Veteran")  
Geological Society of Thailand (GST)



## Introduction

Over the past decade, Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia have rapidly and significantly growth of both traditional and emerging geotourism. Both international and local tourists are attracted to a number of sites where unique geological heritages are exhibited. Many of these are well-known and popular among tourist worldwide and some of the sites are world class tourist places.

The conservation of these numerous valuable geoheritages is urgent and key aspect for all government agencies and partnerships, which is responsible for advising all aspects of geosciences as well as providing professional geosciences advice to the public, to conservable develop them as sustainable and highest exploitation especially in academic, tourism and socio-economic purposes. Finally, it leads to achieve the Global Geoparks Network (GGN) membership from UNESCO.

In this regard, Department of Mineral Resources (DMR), Thailand, Coordinating Committee for Geoscience Programmes in East and South East Asia (CCOP), and The National Geopark of Thailand, in collaboration with the Geological Heritage Group of Malaysia (KWGM), Department of Mineral and Geoscience Malaysia (JMG), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), Universitas Pembangunan Nasional “Veteran”, Indonesia (UPN “Veteran”) and Geological Society of Thailand (GST) organized the “Regional Geoheritage Conference 2018” in Khon Kaen Province, Thailand with the theme “Geoheritages for People”. This conference officially represent the first forum of tripartite conference for Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand countries. The main objective of the conference is to diversified the role of geologists and it deemed necessary to improve the most active role of geologists in utilization of geoheritage in the form of geotourism and public education within geopark as a driver for economic and society well-being.

This conference is expected to contribute to practical approaches among various group namely a reference for stakeholders, especially the government in developing policy in protecting and conserving geoheritage, preparing trails and product for geotourism. Platform for discussion among government agencies and academia in preparing the proposal for new geopark are also included.

## Objectives

1. To exchange and sharing information and experiences in sustainable development of geoheritage resources and geotourism
2. To strengthen networking in geoheritage conservation, geotourism and geopark
3. To establish knowledge learning center for capacity building among regional countries
4. To standardize geoheritage and geotourism in term of quantities and qualities aspects among regional countries



## Keynote Speakers

1. Prof Emeritus Dato' Dr. Ibrahim Komoo, FASc, Principle Fellow, LESTARI, UKM
2. Dr. Tawsaporn Nuchanong Director General of DMR
3. Dr. Sawitree Suwansathit Intangible Cultural Heritage Committee, Thailand
4. Dr. Varavudh Suteethone, Dinosaur Expert

# TIME SCHEDULE

	Morning (8.30-12.00)			Afternoon (13.00-19.00)			
2 April 2018	Registration	Opening Ceremony	Keynote Speaker	Conference and Technical Presentation	Conference and Poster session	Phu Wiang Research Center (Night Dinosaur festival)	Welcome dinner
3 April 2018	Exhibition and coffee Break			Conference and Poster session	Conference and Poster session	Group Discussion on Establishment of Tripartite	Closing Ceremon
4 April 2018	Lunch and Break			Excursion at Sirindhorn Museum	Excursion at Phu Kum Khao excavation site	Excursion at Phu Noi excavation site	Dinner
	Exhibition and coffee Break					Excursion at Kalasin Petrified wood	

## Official Language

The official language of the conference is English

## Theme: "Geoheritages for People"

1. Appreciation of nature and landscape
2. Geoconservation, geoheritage, geodiversity, education and tourism
3. Aspiring Geopark
4. Geoheritage policy
5. The economic benefit of geoheritage conservation and geopark
6. Geoheritage conservation, geotourism and geopark networking

## Abstract & Full Paper

Abstract should be written in English using Microsoft Word Document on A4 paper size, should not exceed 500 words with font type Times New Roman, size 10pt and single line spacing. Full paper is limited to 10 pages of A4 paper size, font type Times New Roman, size 11pt, double column and all figures are put after the text body. Abstract and full paper must be emailed to: [suvapaki@hotmail.com](mailto:suvapaki@hotmail.com) and CC to: [janram113@hotmail.com](mailto:janram113@hotmail.com)



## Important Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline	15 March 2018
Full Paper Deadline	15 March 2018
Notification of Acceptance	20 March 2018
Poster Submission (80x110cm)	
Deadline	20 March 2018

## Registration Fees

Participants	International	Local
Oral Presenter	3,000 THB	Free
Non-Presenter	3,000 THB	Free
Student	1,500 THB	Free

Registration includes Proceeding, Conference Programme, Meeting Package (lunch and coffee break) and local transportation. Detail kindly visit [www.dmr.go.th](http://www.dmr.go.th), banner on "Regional Geoheritage 2018"

Please note: Payment will be accepted on site by cash only in Thai Baht.

## Venue: Pullman Khon Kaen Raja Orchid Hotel

The hotel is ideally situated in the heart of the central business district. It is close to shopping centres - Tuk Com Khon Kaen (IT Mall & Department Store), Central Plaza Khon Kaen as well as several banks and hospitals. This hotel is not far from Lake Park, and also a 10-minute drive to government offices and Khon Kaen University. The hotel is also easily accessible from the Khon Kaen Railway Station as well as the bus stations. There are several flights from and to Bangkok daily.

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## Room & Rates:

- Single Standard Room, THB 1,700
- Twin Standard Room, THB 1,800
- Single Superior Room, THB 2,300
- Twin Superior Room, THB 2,450

## General information

Khon Kaen is one of the large major provinces in Northeastern Thailand that is Located in the heart of Isan, Thailand's northeast region and divided into 20 districts and 5 minor districts. Historically, Khon Kaen is quite a new town, established a little over two centuries ago but prehistorically, this town on the plateau has been home to various cultures as well as other fascinating creatures, heretofore unknown to the modern world. Artifacts have proven that millions of years ago the area was occupied by gigantic dinosaurs, several of which were endemic to the region. The ancient cultures, traditions, and historical sites in this area have all contributed to shaping the people and culture of Khon Kaen.

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**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**



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2<sup>nd</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> April 2018, Khon Kaen, Thailand

**Participant Information (Please type or print )**

Title:  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Prof.  Dr.  Other (Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

Name:  Surname:

Organization:  Position:

Address:

Mobile:  Email:

Function at Conference:  Participant  Student  Speaker  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant Registration**

Participants	International	Local
Oral/Poster Presenter	<input type="checkbox"/> 3,000 THB	<input type="checkbox"/> Free
Attendee	<input type="checkbox"/> 3,000 THB	<input type="checkbox"/> Free
Student	<input type="checkbox"/> 1,500 THB	<input type="checkbox"/> Free

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**Tentative Schedule (If available)**

	Estimated Time of Arrival	Estimated Time of Departure
Date/time/Flight Detail (Khon Kaen, Thailand)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**Accommodation Reservation Request (Pullman Khon Kaen Raja Orchid Hotel)**

- Room & Rates:**  Single Standard Room, THB 1,700 net/room/night  
 Twin Standard Room, THB 1,800 net/room/night  
 Single Superior Room, THB 2,300 net/room/night  
 Twin Superior Room, THB 2,450 net/room/night

Check-in Date:  Check-out Date:

**Specials Requirements**

Please enter any special requirements you may have below: (e.g. non smoking room)

Please note: Only complete the accommodation section on one form to avoid booking two rooms. The above rates are subject to change without notice.

**Signature**

**Date**

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