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#### **AFFILIATED FIRMS**

Architects 49 (Chiangmai) Limited  
Architects 49 (Phuket) Limited  
Architects 49 (Khon Kaen)  
A49 India



#### **CONTACT PERSONS**

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Suwat Vasapinyokul (Mr.)  
Pichai Wongwaisayawan (Mr.)  
Somkiat Lo-Chindapong (Mr.)  
Krisada Teerapongprachaya (Mr.)  
Nitis Sthapitanonda (Mr.)  
Maythin Chantra-ou-rai (Mr.)

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Viyada Charoensook Wongwigkarn (Ms.)  
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Sirimas Prugsachanrana (Ms.)

#### **A49 KHON KAEN**

Dr. Narongwit Areemit (Mr.)

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# BACK- GROUND

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Architects 49 was established in 1983. With the overriding objective to provide truly professional and comprehensive architectural services. These services cover a wide range of related activities, including urban planning, preparing of master plans, architectural design and construction management. The company also provides counseling on the feasibility and viability of a project, and on prospects for its development and management. These services enable Architects 49 to work with clients from the beginning of a project until its successful completion.

Since the founding of the company, teamwork has been a watchword. Architects 49 implemented a “studio approach” in 1991 to enhance the emphasis on the team. This system allows a small, focused studio of designers to take responsibility for each stage of a project from the conceptual through preliminary and detailed design, to working plans and drawings. The studio then supervises the construction and management of the project until it has been completed to the client’s satisfaction. Each studio must answer directly to the firm’s President and Executive Committee who scrutinize the quality of performance. In addition, project directors meet regularly to exchange views and discuss problems of mutual concern. These procedures ensure that each project receives individual attention and benefits from the collective experiences and resources of Architects 49.

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# DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

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The design concept of Architects 49 is to create buildings along clean simple elegant lines While the overall appearance must be attractive and inviting, the internal layout must be functional and practical so that the space is maximized and maintenance requirements are not complicated and economical. At the same time, each design has to be aesthetically pleasing to both the daily users and occasional visitors.

All of the projects—from large commercial buildings to private residences, reflect careful attention to detail in all aspects of design from conception to the selection of materials. Careful deliberation is given to the short and long term effects on the residents, the community, and the environment. These structures must assimilate gracefully with their surroundings, becoming an integral part of the context while maintaining their distinct and artistic appeal.

Motivated by this philosophy, Architects 49 is determined to maintain its high standard of design and production. The company regards its work as a labor of love through which it will continue to forge ties between designers, clients, users and the community.

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# THE 49GROUP

WE ARE A MULTI-DISCIPLINED FIRM  
OF DESIGN PROFESSIONALS AND  
SPECIALIZED CONSULTING COMPANIES  
WORKING UNDER THE SAME ROOF.

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The 49Group is a multi-disciplined firm of design professionals and consultants with a combined staff of more than 400. The group represents an affiliation of specialized consulting companies, each supported by a staff of experts. Many of the companies are housed under the same roof, the others are located nearby. The group is organized to work side by side so that the client may be assured of quick, efficient, and thorough service.

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The following are the affiliated companies that constitute the 49Group:

Architects 49 Limited  
Architects 49 House Design Limited  
Interior Architects 49 Limited  
Consulting & Management 49 Limited  
Landscape Architects 49 Limited  
G49 Limited  
Architectural Engineering 49 Limited  
M&E Engineering 49 Limited  
49 Lighting Design Consultants Limited

Architects 49 (Chiangmai) Limited  
Architects 49 (Phuket) Limited  
Architects 49 Limited (Khon Kaen)  
A49 India

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The 49Group operates on a teamwork basis, with an emphasis on sharing experiences and mutual collaboration.

At the beginning of each project, the affiliated companies establish a working team of experienced personnel. The interdisciplinary team is led by a principal. Project managers of each discipline guide their teams to work in coordination with one another on the project.

This methodology pools the company's resources and ideas to find the best solution whether it involves designing, engineering, construction management, project development, or the utilization of the building and its long-term maintenance. The decisions reached collectively often save time and lead to prompt and effective solutions to difficult and otherwise time-consuming problems.

The 49Group is determined to do all it can to ensure that the results are high quality and the client is satisfied.



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS





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## NITHI STHAPITANONDA

Founder

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In 1971, Nithi received his Bachelor of Architecture from Chulalongkorn University. He continued his education with a Master of Architecture from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1973. During graduate school he received the top award in the International Symposium on Housing in the "Housing for Older Adults, Utica, New York" Competition. In that year, he also began his professional practice in Washington DC with Metcalf and Associates. Later, together with a team of professors and students from the Universities of Illinois and Wisconsin, Nithi was granted a fellowship for research in India.

In 1974, Nithi returned to Thailand where he worked with Design 103 for nine years before leaving to establish his own practice. He founded Architects 49 in 1983, leading the firm to win several gold medals for best architectural design from the Association of Siamese Architects (ASA) under Royal Patronage. Nithi excels in serving his profession through his capacity for leadership, and was President of A49 until the end of 2012, when he semi-retired from his profession. Since then, he has become the Chairman of the Board of Directors for Architects 49.

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He has pioneered a contemporary style of Thai architecture that enhances international modernism with appropriate adaptations from local tradition. In works ranging from houses to high-rises and museums, his efforts show great sensitivity to nature, climate and culture. Nithi has consistently advanced his creativity with Thai inspiration in mind.

Beyond his leadership as a practitioner, he has also played an important role as a President of the ASA during 1992-1994 and as Secretary General and a Board Member of the Council of Thai Architects from 2000 to 2003. His contribution to these organisations has helped new standards and regulations being set up that enhance the architectural profession and design of the built environment in Thailand. For these reasons, the Ministry of Culture named him a National Artist in Contemporary Architecture in 2002.

Nithi was appointed as an Honorary Member of the Japan Institute of Architects (Hon. FJIA) in 1995 and an Honorary Fellow of the American Institute of Architects (Hon. FAIA) in the USA in 2008.

During 2008-2012, Nithi became a Member of the Council of Silapakorn University. From 2008 until the present time, he has been active as a Committee Member of Bangkok University and was also Member of the Board of Directors of Vajiravudh College during the period 2009-2014. In 2013, Nithi received an Honorary Doctorate degree in Science, in the field of Architecture, from Sripratum University.

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## PRABHAKORN VADANYAKUL

President /  
Managing Director



In 1980, Prabhakorn received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Chulalongkorn University. He continued his education at the Catholic University of America in Washington DC, where he graduated with a Master of Architecture degree in 1984. Whilst in Washington DC, Prabhakorn worked at Robert Schwinn & Associates in Maryland before returning to Thailand and joining A49 in 1985. At A49, he has been responsible for a wide range of projects ranging from mega complexes and high-rise buildings to houses. Most of these are located in Thailand, whilst others are located in other countries in the region, including: China, Malaysia, Singapore and Vietnam. His work has also extended outside that region, for example, to the United Arab Emirates and India. All add breadth to the A49 portfolio of work. His main role has been to establish major policies, design concepts and strategic planning initiatives. He was appointed as President of Architects49 Phuket in 2005 and President of Architects49 International in 2006.

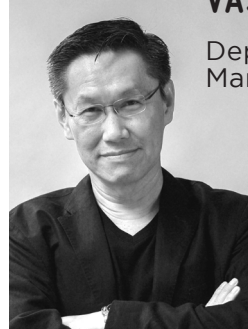
Prabhakorn actively served the Association of Siamese Architects (ASA) as its Head of Public Relations from 1992 to 1994, as its Vice President of Foreign Affairs from 1995 to 1997, and as the President of ASA during 2002-2004. He has also participated in many subcommittees for both the ASA and the Architect Council of Thailand (ACT). He is an active Council Member of the ACT, with his present duties for them extending into 2018. He has been an Honorary member of the Japan Institute of Architects (JIA) since 2003.

Prabhakorn has been a key member of A49 since its foundation, and has the honour of being trusted by Nithi Sthapitanonda (the Founder of A49) to be President and Managing Director of 49Group.

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## SUWAT VASAPINYOKUL

Deputy  
Managing Director



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Suwat Vasapinyokul graduated from Chulalongkorn University, with Bachelor in Architecture degree in 1983. After his graduation, he joined A49 as a founding member of staff and is responsible for a large portfolio of architectural works which includes a variety of building types from private residences and apartment buildings to large office buildings and shopping complexes. Suwat also studied after office hours at A49 to further his postgraduate study in Business Administration at Chulalongkorn University and graduated with a Master of Business Administration in 1992. He was later promoted to be a Director of A49 in 1990 and finally became Vice President in 1992.

Because of Suwat's expertise in business development and management, in 1998 he became responsible as Managing Director for IA49, the interior design firm and an affiliated company to A49. After A49 restructured in 2001, Suwat became Chair of the Board of Directors, and has been responsible for A49 business development and management policy since then.

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## PICHAI WONGWAISAYAWAN



Deputy  
Managing Director

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In 1985, Pichai received his Bachelor of Architecture from Chulalongkorn University and started working for Architects 49. He continued his education with a master's degree from the University of Michigan, graduating with distinction in 1989. Upon graduation, Pichai worked with the office of Hobbs & Black Associates in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He later moved to New York and worked for over two years as a designer with Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum.

In 1992, he rejoined Architects 49 where he took responsibility for large corporate and hospitality projects. Pichai was appointed as an Executive Director of it in 1995 and later promoted to Deputy Managing Director in 2001. He has been a major contributor to most international project opportunities that Architects 49 has been involved in. In 2006, Architects 49 International was established to meet the increasing demand for overseas projects, with Pichai being appointed as its Managing Director.

In his service to the profession, he has served as an active member of the Association of Siamese Architects under Royal Patronage (ASA) and was appointed as Vice President of ASA from 1999 to 2001, with responsibility for the Professional Practice Committee. He has also participated in many subcommittees for both the Architects' Council of Thailand and ASA, and was elected to serve as the President of ASA from 2014 to 2016. He was awarded with Honorary Membership of the Korean Institute of Registered Architects in 2014 and the Japan Institute of Architects in 2015.

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## SOMKIAT LO-CHINDAPONG



Deputy  
Managing Director

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Somkiat has extensive experience in office and residential buildings. At A49, he has worked on such major projects as the Cementhai Building Product Center, the Tsunami Memorial and high-end residential buildings. At Architects 49 International, Somkiat is responsible for all overseas projects, with a portfolio ranging from Abu Dhabi-Dubai to Kuala Lumpur. Somkiat taught at Silpakorn University from 1996 to 2003, and served as a member of the board of the Silpakorn University Alumni Association during 1999 and 2000.

He received a bachelor's degree from Silpakorn University in 1986 and, in 1989, a master's degree from University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Somkiat practiced in Los Angeles at Charles Moore with Urban Innovations Group and at K.Y. Cheung Design Associates. Returning to Thailand, he worked as a senior architect at Design+Develop from 1992 to 1995 and at Palmer & Turner from 1995 to 1996. After practicing independently for seven years, Somkiat joined Architects 49 as Senior Architect. He was later promoted to Director at Architects 49 International.

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**KRISADA  
TEERAPONGPRACHAYA**

Executive Director



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In 1989 Krisada both received his Bachelor of Architecture from Silpakorn University and began his career with A49. He was promoted to be an Associate in 1995 and Executive Director in 2001. He has served as project manager for a number of major projects including: the office of the Insurance Commission, the Pipattanasin Building, all King Power Complexes, the Prince Mahidol Hall, Vantage by Eastern Star Condominium, etc. Krisada continues to serve in this role, and as an Executive Director leads a studio focused on large scale commercial projects.

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**NITIS  
STHAPITANONDA**

Executive Director



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Nitis received his Bachelor of Design degree from the University of Florida in 1999. He then earned a Master of Architecture degree at Columbia University in 2002, and was awarded the William Kinne Fellows Memorial Traveling Prize to study and travel abroad. Nitis worked at the San Francisco office of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP before joining Architects 49 in 2003. Since that time, Nitis has worked on a variety of projects, ranging from private houses and a high-rise condominium to several resorts and a university auditorium.

Nitis was promoted to be Deputy Managing Director of Architects 49 (Phuket) in 2006 and Executive Director of Architects 49 in 2012. Nitis has also served on the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Association of Siamese Architects since 2004.

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## MAYTHIN CHANTRA-OU-RAI

Executive Director



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Maythin Chantra-ou-rai joined Architects 49 in 2005, becoming Director of Architects 49 International in 2008 and Executive Director of Architects 49 in 2012. He plays a key role as a board member responsible for international and local projects in the residential, commercial and hospitality sectors. He brings to the business a full understanding of design, contract procurement and commercial factors. His efforts have helped the practice to expand while also attaining both strong financial results and design excellence.

Maythin has recently been working on commercial high-rise, mixed-use projects in Abu Dhabi, China, Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam and Thailand. Prior to his career in Thailand, Maythin pursued studies in the United Kingdom from 1992. He graduated from the University of Huddersfield, School of Architecture (RIBA Dip Arch) in 2001, when Building Design Magazine chose him as one of the 100 top architectural students. He joined HLM Architects the same year. He became an Associate in 2004, leading the firm's London office in work on residential, commercial, office and public buildings.

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## KHEMWIROON LAKSANAKORN

Executive Director /  
Office Manager



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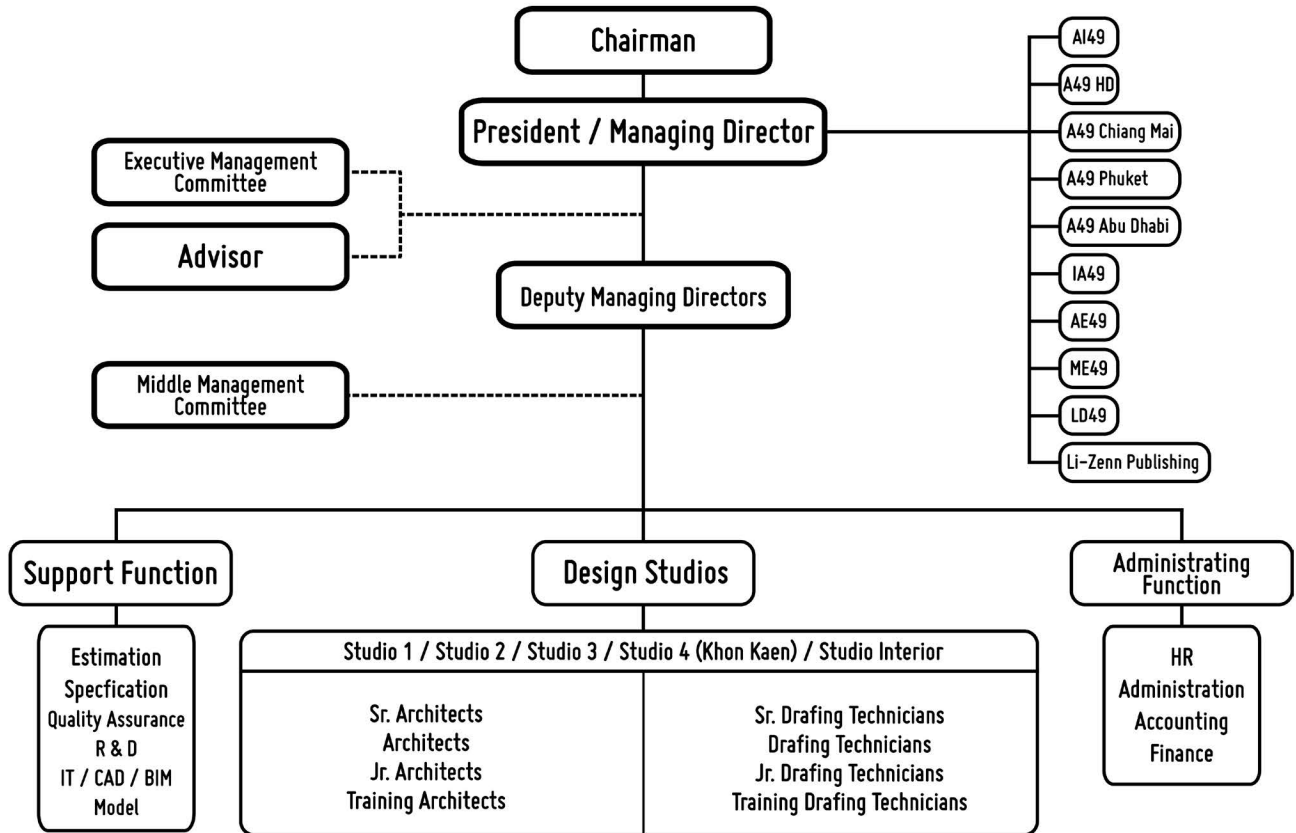
Khemwiroon graduated in 1998 from King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang with honours in the Bachelor's degree of Architecture. She continued her study in with a master's degree, graduating in 2000 from University of Colorado at Denver. After a year of experience with Greenberg and Greenberg Architects in USA, she returned to Thailand and started working with Interior Architects 49.

In 2002, she transferred to Architects 49 where she worked until 2007 before joining Architects 49 International. She had been working on various types of project: private housing, high-rise residence, educational, commercial and mixed-use building in Thailand and Abu Dhabi. In her service to the profession, she has also participated in subcommittees during 2003-2005 for the Association of Siamese Architects (ASA).

In 2012, Khemwiroon became Executive Director and Office Manager of Architects 49, being responsible for the Finances and Accounting, Human Resources and Administration departments.

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# ORGANIZATION CHART



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# HONOURS & AWARDS



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**THE ASSOCIATION OF SIAMESE  
ARCHITECTS**

GOLD MEDAL AWARDS

**2014**

Prince Mahidol Hall, Salaya,  
Nakhon Pathom

**2010**

Archives of the Office of His Majesty's  
Principal Private Secretary, Salaya,  
Nakhon Pathom

**2008**

Southeast Asian Ceramic Museum,  
Pathum Thani

**2004**

Baan Suan Sa-Nghob, Bang Kapi,  
Bangkok

**2002**

Baan Rim Tai (Private Residence),  
Rim Tai Saitarn, Chiang Mai

**1994**

Baan Chang Nag (Private Residence),  
Rim Tai Saitarn, Chiang Mai

**1989**

Muang Thai Life Assurance & Phatra  
Insurance Auditorium, Bangkok

**1989**

Baan Soi Klang (Private Residence),  
Sukhumvit 49, Bangkok

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**THE ASSOCIATION OF SIAMESE  
ARCHITECTS**

CITATIONS

**2016**

Hotel Indigo Bangkok Wireless Road,  
Wireless Road, Bangkok

**2016**

The Tubkaak Krabi Boutique Resort  
(Pool Villa), Tubkaak, Krabi

**2014**

Renaissance Phuket Resort & Spa,  
Mai Khao Beach, Phuket

**2014**

King Power Srivaree Complex,  
Bang Phli, Samut Prakan

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**2012**

Baan Krungthep Kreetha,  
Krungthep-Kreetha Road, Bangkok

**2010**

BU Diamond, Pathum Thani

**2010**

SCG Experience, CDC, Ekamai-  
Ramindra, Bangkok

**2008**

Baan Patong, Phuket

**2008**

The Fraser Suites, Sathon, Bangkok

**2004**

Surat Osathanugrah Library,  
Pathum Thani

**2004**

Wat Pa Sunantawanaram,  
Kanchanaburi

**2004**

The Tubkaak Krabi Boutique Resort,  
Krabi

**2002**

Bangkok Hospital Udon, Udon Thani

**2002**

Baan Osathaphan (Private residence),  
Chiang Mai

**2002**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangkok

**2002**

Genco Hazardous Waste Disposal  
Facility, Rayong

**1996**

Krung Thai Training Center,  
Nakorn Ratchasima

**1994**

Sala Klang Nam (Clubhouse Pavilion),  
Rim Tai Saitarn, Chiang Mai

**1989**

Petroleum Authority of Thailand,  
Head Office, Chatuchak, Bangkok

**1989**

Analayo Meditation Pavilion, Phayao

**1987**

Baan Rim Nam (Private Residence),  
Rama III Road, Bangkok

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**ASEAN ENERGY AWARDS****2015**

Ming Mongkol Green Park, Kaeng Khoi,  
Saraburi

**2014**

King Power Pattaya Complex,  
Bang Lamung, Chon Buri

**2011**

Energy Complex, Chatuchak, Bangkok

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**LEED CERTIFICATE PROJECTS****2017**

Gaysorn Tower, Bangkok:

Gold

**2015**

Vidyasirimedhi Institute of Science and  
Technology (VISTEC), Rayong:

Gold

**2011**

King Power Pattaya Complex, Bang  
Lamung, Chon Buri:

Gold

**2010**

Energy Complex, Chatuchak, Bangkok:  
Platinum

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**ASA GREEN AWARDS**

(Awarded by ASA Green Committee)

**2009**

Southeast Asian Ceramics Museum,  
Pathum Thani

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**ASEAN ENERGY AWARDS****2015**

Ming Mongkol Green Park, Kaeng  
Khoi, Saraburi

**2014**

King Power Pattaya Complex,  
Bang Lamung, Chon Buri

**2012**

Central Plaza Khonkaen, Mueang,  
Khon Kaen

**2011**

Energy Complex, Chatuchak, Bangkok

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**ICSC ASIA SHOPPING CENTER AWARDS**

GOLD AWARD, RENOVATION  
& EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING  
PROJECT

(Awarded by International Council  
of Shopping Centers, Inc.)

**2009**

CentralWorld, Ratchaprasong Road,  
Bangkok

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**CONTRACT WINNING DESIGN BY  
GOVERNMENT SECTOR****2016**

Thai Creative & Design Center, Muang,  
Khon Kaen

**2016**

College of Arts Media And Technology,  
Chiangmai University, Chiangmai

**2010**

Waterfront Development at Khlong  
Toei, Khlong Toei, Bangkok

**2009**

Office of General Inspector & Internal  
Audit, Royal Thai Police,  
Ramindra Road, Bangkok

**2009**

Royal Thai Police Resort, Banglamung,  
Chon Buri

**2007**

Faculty of Arts, Mahidol University,  
Buddha Monthon, Nakhon Pathom

**2006**

Thailand Cultural Center,  
Ratchadaphisek Road, Bangkok,

**2006**

Prince Mahidol Hall, Salaya, Nakhon  
Pathom

**2005**

Energy Complex, Chatuchak, Bangkok

**2002**

Tourism Authority of Thailand  
Headquarters, Bangkok

**2001**

International Conference, Thimpu,  
Bhutan

**1997**

Mae Fah Luang University, Chiang Rai

**1997**

Tourism Authority of Thailand  
Convention Center, Chon Buri

**1996**

Thammasat University Academic  
Resource Center & International  
Conference, Rangsit, Pathum Thani

**1994**

Thailand Export Mart, Rachadaphisek  
Road, Bangkok

**1994**

Mass Communication Organization of  
Thailand Operational Building, Rama IX  
Road, Bangkok

**1993**

Krung Thai Training Center, Nakorn  
Ratchasima

**1992**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sri Ayudhya  
Road, Bangkok



**CONTRACT WINNING DESIGN BY  
PRIVATE SECTOR**

**2017**

IPC Center, Cherngnern, Rayong

**2017**

Muang Thai Academy Center, Ban Pong,  
Ratchaburi

**2016**

Administration Area : Nong Fab LNG  
Receiving Terminal, Rayong

**2016**

Maharakham University : Faculty  
of Medicine and Hospital Masterplan,  
Maharakham

**2016**

Frontier Condominium, Din Deang,  
Bangkok

**2016**

Tiffany Entertainment Complex Phuket,  
Phuket

**2014**

Langsuan Village Walking Street,  
Langsuan Road, Bangkok

**2013**

Oil Business Academy, Wang Noi,  
Phra Nakhon Si Ayuttaya

**2013**

PTT Innovation Park Landmark,  
Wang Noi, Phra Nakhon Si Ayuttaya

**2011**

Vidyasirimedhi Institute of Science  
and Technology and Kamnoetvidya  
Science Academy (VISTEC & KVIS),  
Wang Chan, Rayong

**2011**

Integrated Refinery Petrochemical  
Complex (IRPC)

**2010**

Seacon Bangkae (Façade  
Renovation Design), Bangkae,  
Bangkok

**2009**

RBSC Clubhouse, Henry Dunant  
Road, Bangkok

**2009**

Siam Cement Group Foundation  
Museum, Bang Sue, Bangkok

**2007**

SET Multi-purpose Building, North  
Park, Bangkok

**2006**

Cementthai Building Products  
Gallery, Bangkok

**2004**

Energy Complex, Chatuchak,  
Bangkok

**2002**

Chiva-Som Health Resort & Spa,  
Petchaboon

**1999**

Landed Housing at Upper Aljunied  
Road, Singapore

**1998**

The Bang Chak Petroleum Head  
Office, Sri-Nakarin Road, Bangkok

**1998**

The Royal Bangkok Sports Club  
New Sports Complex, #1Henri  
Dunant Road, Bangkok

**1995**

Bangkok Bank of Commerce Tower,  
Sathon Road, Bangkok

**1995**

Osothsapha Corporate  
Headquarters, Ramkhamhang Road,  
Bangkok

**1995**

Shell Company of Thailand, Retail and  
Training Center, Chon Buri

**1994**

Holiday Inn Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh  
City, Vietnam

**1985**

Muang Thai Life Assurance &  
Phatra Insurance Auditorium,  
Ratchadaphisek Road, Bangkok

**1984**

Petroleum Authority of Thailand,  
Head Office, Chatuchak, Bangkok



**ARCASIA FOR ARCHITECTURAL  
EXCELLENCE**

GOLD MEDAL AWARDS

**2011-2012**

BU Diamond, Pathum Thani

**2005-2006**

Baan Suan Sa-Nghob, Bang Kapi,  
Bangkok

