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BIOGRAPHY

Kriengkrai Techakanont is Associate Professor of Economics at Thammasat University. He studied economics at Thammasat University and earned a Ph.D. at Hiroshima University. As a teacher, he has taught courses in microeconomics, industrial organization, public policy and industrialization, and principles of economics.

His research has long focused on various aspects of the Thai automobile industry, including technology transfer, supplier development programs, intra-industry trade, production integration, and global production networks. His current research examines public policy on end-of-life vehicles (ELVs) in Thailand. This project explores the development of a proper ELV management system, drawing on circular economy principles and the extended producer responsibility (EPR) framework.

With regard to his research on the automobile industry, he has been invited to share insights and research findings as a speaker, panelist, keynote speaker, or resource person at various international and domestic forums. These include the Productive Integration Conference in Brasília, Brazil (2009); the Durban Automotive Cluster, South Africa (2012); the Fukuoka Forum, Japan (2013); the 23rd APEC Automotive Dialogue in the Philippines (2015); and the African Association of Automotive Manufacturers Forum (2020).

In addition to his work on the automobile industry, Kriengkrai has provided consulting services to several international and domestic organizations, including ECLAC, the ILO, the Ministry of Industry, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Thailand Automotive Institute, the Bank of Thailand, the Office of SME Promotion, and the Government Pension Fund.

WORK EXPERIENCES

Thammasat University

1997 - present

- Associate Professor, Faculty of Economics (2008 - present)
- Faculty of Senate, Thammasat University (2016 - Oct 2022)
- Head of ASEAN Studies, Pridi Banomyong International College, Thammasat University (2016)
- Deputy Director for Academic and Research, Institute of East Asian Studies, Thammasat University (2013-2014)
- Vice Dean for Administration, Faculty of Economics, Thammasat University (2009 - 2011)



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SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Techakanont, K. and Homklin, T. (2024) "The prospect of moving towards a circular economy in creating ELV recycling systems in Thailand", *International Journal of Automotive Technology and Management*, 24(3), pp. 358-376.

Ikuo Kuroiwa, Kriengkrai Techakanont & Souknilanh Keola (2024) Evolution of production networks and the localisation of firms: evidence from the Thai automotive industry, *Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy*, 29:1, 260-281, DOI: [10.1080/13547860.2021.2024361](https://doi.org/10.1080/13547860.2021.2024361)

Barnes, J., Black, A. & Techakanont, K. (2017) "Industrial Policy, Multinational Strategy and Domestic Capability: A Comparative Analysis of the Development of South Africa's and Thailand's Automotive Industries" *European Journal of Development Research*, pp. 29-37.

AWARDS RECEIVED

 Outstanding Young Researcher Awards of Thailand Research Fund (2006)

 Outstanding Researcher in Social Science, Thammasat University (2007)

 Research Fellowship - Japan Foundation 2008