



## Invitation to Mekong Energy Journalism Workshop 2011, Bangkok

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Today, journalists working in the field of energy can no longer afford to work alone and only in their respective countries. The Mekong region is becoming ever more interlinked through power development plans and issues in the energy sector are becoming ever more complex. Unfortunately, energy journalists in the Mekong region have not had opportunities to increase their capacity in the subject or network in this area. The power sector is often perceived as a technical issue, and government/utility experts tend to use technical language that masks important decisions in complex financial/engineering terms that reduce the ability of most journalists to analyze and provide insightful reports. In order to be able to report comprehensively on energy sector news – one of the fastest growing sectors – journalism professionals need to power up on the subject as well.

Therefore, Thai Public Broadcasting Service (Thai PBS) and Mekong Energy and Ecology Network (MEE Net) are jointly organizing a Mekong Energy Journalism Workshop on 27 – 30 November 2011 to address these challenges. This comprehensive, high-energy instruction workshop will provide participants with the latest knowledge and stronger networking skills, which will assist journalists in producing timely, insightful and accurate regional energy stories.

Thai PBS and MEE Net are pleased to extend an invitation to your organization to submit an application to attend the workshop. Please refer to the attached documents for details of the workshop and the application process.

If you have any inquiry, please do not hesitate to contact us at [international@thaipbs.or.th](mailto:international@thaipbs.or.th).

Yours faithfully,

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