

# **The Roles of International Affairs Division Kasetsart University**

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## **ABSTRACT**

International Affairs Division of Kasetsart University was firstly established as a unit under Office of the University Secretariat in 1965 before transferred to be a unit attached to General Affairs Division in 1975. Nevertheless, the hierarchy was under the Vice President and the President until 2000 when the internationalization had played a very significant role in higher education in Thailand and Kasetsart University has emphasized on becoming an international university. Kasetsart University therefore initiated the Office of the Establishing International Affairs Division. Lastly, the division was renamed International Affairs Division under Office of the President, according to the announcement in the Royal Gazette on February 28, 1994. Since then, International Affairs Division has been responsible for all international issues of Kasetsart University, non academically. At present, International Affairs Division has been working closely with more than 200 partners worldwide in several activities including Exchange of faculty members, staff, and students, Joint research, Joint academic activities, Exchange of publications and scientific materials and other activities based on mutual interest.

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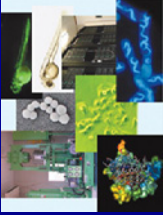
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# KASETSART UNIVERSITY



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## Kasetsart University

### Vision

Kasetsart University is a university known internationally for academic excellence and work of world standard. It is a prime mover in mustering intellectual resources to help the nation achieve sustainable development and negotiating power in the world community





## Tasks

Kasetsart University gathers wisdom and knowledge, creates and develops varied bodies of knowledge, and forms people who are intelligent' who think rationally, who behave morally, who are conscious of the common good, and who produce high standard work capable of competing in the world market.

The university manages its resources efficiently, joins in the development of the community, and is responsible to society so as to serve as an important instrument in ensuring the well being and security of the country.








## Philosophy

Kasetsart University devotes itself to the task of accumulating and developing intellectual knowledge, It thrives for the growth in academic wisdom including ethical and moral excellence.

In addition, it has a responsibility to play a leading role in keeping our Thai heritage alive and to ensure that it continues to grow and to enrich the civilization of the nation.

**Since 1942**

**Higher Education**

**Research**

**Academic**

**Art & Culture**

**Agricultural Sciences**  
**Agro-Industry**  
**Science & Technology**  
**Engineering**  
**Veterinary Science**  
**Social Science**  
**Business & Administration**  
**Economics, Education,**  
**Humanities**

**Location : Campuses and Stations**

**KU : 4 Campuses**

**Suphanburi**

**Lopburi**

**4. Chamloemprakiat Sakon Nakorn Province**

**2. Kamphaeng Saen (Nakhon Pathom)**

**3. Sri Racha (Chonburi)**

**1. Bangkhen (Bangkok)**

**Krabi**

**53,335 Students : 79% Bachelor 18% Master 3% PhD**

**9,587 Staffs : 3,620 Lecturers-Researchers**

**26 Facilities**  
**20 Institutes & Centers**  
**15 Research Stations**  
**6 Training Stations**  
**4 Radio Broadcasting Stations**

**Center of Excellence for Food Innovation Research and Services in Thailand (KU-FIRST)**

**National Center for Agricultural Biotechnology**

**Center of Excellence for Rubber Science**

**Center of Excellence for Rice Science**

**Center of Excellence for Oil Palm**

**Center of Excellence for Sugarcane**

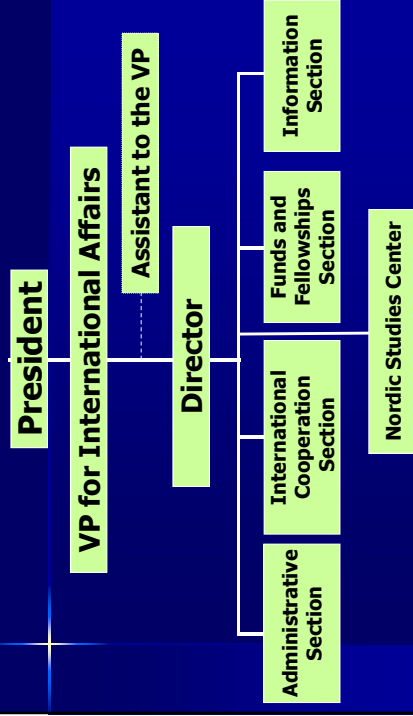
**International Cooperation**

**More than 200 MOU had already established**

## International Affairs Division

- 1965 a unit under Office of the University Secretariat
- 1975 a unit under the General Affairs Division
- 1991 the Office of the Establishing International Affairs Division.
- 1994 International Affairs Division

## Organizational Structure



## Activities in MOUs

- Exchange of faculty members and staff,
- Exchange of students,
- Joint research,
- Joint seminar, workshop and conference,
- Exchange of information and publication, and Other activities

## MOU and Faculty Members

- Advanced Studies
- Long Term Exchange
  - Post Doctoral Training
- Short Term Exchange
  - Training
- Visiting professors and Researchers

## MOU and Students

- Senior Project
- Language Trainings
- International Experience
  - Study Visit
  - Partial Research
- Short Term Exchange
  - Credit Transfer

## MOU and Other Activities

- Joint Researches
- Joint Seminars / Workshops
- Joint Training
- Training Course on Request

## International Fundings

- Database on
  - International Agencies / Donors
  - EU
  - APEC
- Document Preparation
- Submission

## Possible Cooperation Framework

- Academic Cooperation :
  - *Agricultural Science, Agro-Industry, Food, ...*
  - *Science & Technology Research and Development*
  - *Social Science, Humanities, Education, ...*
- Human Resource Development :
  - *Degree & Non-Degree Programs*
  - *Training : short term & specialization*
- Exchange of Personnel & Information
  - *Networking*
  - *Joint Seminar, Workshop, Conference,...*
- Regional Partnership :
  - *Bilateral*
  - *Countries in BIMSTEC*

