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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Ph.D.** (2012): **Gender and Development Studies**, Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand
- Diploma** (2009): **Gender Mainstreaming Policies in Japan** Institute of Gender Studies,
Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, Japan
Funded by the Japanese Government
- Diploma** (2005): **Gender, Globalization & Development/ Gender, Globalization and the Sex Trade**
Centre for Interdisciplinary Gender Studies, University of Leeds, Leeds, UK
Funded by European Union (E.U.)
- Diploma** (2002): **International Business/International Cross-Cultural Management**,
Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration, Vienna, Austria
- M.B.A.** (2002): **General Management**, Asian University of Science and Technology (AUST),
Thailand
- B.Eng.** (2000) **Industrial Engineering**, Sirindhorn International Institute of Technology (SIIT),
Thammasat University, Pathumthani, Thailand

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP/ GRANTS

Post- Doctoral Research Fellow (2018): University of Vienna, Department of Development Studies,
Austria, funded by The Austrian Federal Ministry of Science,
Research and Economy through The Ernst Mach Grant
ASEAN-European Academic University Network (ASEA-
UNINET), Project

Research Project: Correcting Gender Inequity: Improving Women's Health in Prison

Asian Graduate Student Fellow (2010): National University of Singapore (NUS), Asia Research
Institute (ARI), Singapore, funded by Singaporean
Government

Research Project: Gold Rush Abroad: The Experiences of Singapore-based Thai Transsexual (Male to
Female) Sex Workers in the Global Sex Trade

EXPERTISE

Gender and Development, Human Rights Based Approach to Development/
Gender, Globalization and The Sex Trade

EMPLOYMENT

- 1 April, 2013-Present: **Associate Dean/
Program Director MA in Diplomacy and International Studies
Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies
Rangsit University**
Course Taught: Human Rights and Transnational Social Issues
Human Rights and Development
NGOs Seminar: Theory and Practices
- 18 Nov-31 Dec, 2009: **Consultant, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights (OHCHR), Regional Office on South-East Asia, Bangkok, Thailand**
- 1 May- 31Oct, 2009: **Intern, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Regional Office for South-East Asia (OHCHR), Bangkok, Thailand**

INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Refereed International Journals (Peer Reviewed Process):

- Ocha, Witchayanee (2021). Buddhism, Gender and Sexualities: Queer Spiritualities in Thailand. *Journal of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion*. Gender and Sexualities in Asia. [Impact Factor 1.28] (SJR Q1). [Forthcoming]
- Ocha, Witchayanee (2020). Gold Rush Abroad: The Trajectory of Singapore-Based Thai Transsexual (Male to Female) Sex Workers in Global Sex Tourism, *Austrian Journal of South-East Asian Studies*, SEAS-Society for South East Asian Studies (ASEAS), Tourism and the Sustainable Development Goals. Volume 13, no. 1, pp. 123-141. [Impact Factor 0.62] (SJR Q2). Available at <https://aseas.univie.ac.at/index.php/aseas/article/view/3166>
- Ocha, Witchayanee and Barbara Earth (2013). Identity Diversification Among Transgender Sex Workers in Thailand's Sex Tourism Industry, *SEXUALITIES: The Study of Society and Culture*, SAGE Publication, January/February, Volume 16, no. 1-2, pp. 196-216. [Impact Factor: 1.544] (SJR Q1). Available At : <http://sexualities.sagepub.com/content/16/1-2/195.abstract>
- Ocha, Witchayanee (2013). Re-thinking Gender: Negotiating Future Queer Rights in Thailand, *Gender, Technology and Development*, SAGE Publication, March, Volume 17, no. 1, pp. 79-104 [Impact Factor 1.26](SJR Q1). Available At : <http://gtd.sagepub.com/content/17/1/79.abstract>

Ocha, Witchayanee (2012). Transsexual Emergence: Gender Variant Identities in Thailand, *Culture, Health and Sexuality, An International Journal for Research, Intervention and Care*, Taylor & Francis, Routledge Volume 14, Issue 5, pp. 563-575. [Impact Factor: 1.742] (SJR Q1). Available at <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/13691058.2012.672653>

Articles in Thailand Journal Citation Index (TCI)

Lekkla, Panitee., Ocha, W. (2017). Educational Cooperation between Royal Thai Armed Forces and The United States, *National Defense Studies, National Institute Journal*.6 (3). 48-64. (TCI2)

Manowong, Ektewan., Sukontasap D., Ocha, Witchayanee (2017). Investigating the Contributions of Thailand's Defence Diplomacy for AEAN Community Integration, *Rangsit Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences (RJHS)*, Vol.4, No.1, January-June 2017, pp. 17-33. (TCI2)

Manowong, Ektewong., Sukontasap D., Ocha Witchayanee (2017). Investigating the Contributions of Thailand's Defence Diplomacy for AEAN Community Integration, *Rangsit Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences (RJHS)*, Vol.4, No.1, January-June 2017, pp. 17-33. (TCI2)

International Conferences

Marilyn, Sovanna and Ocha, Witchayanee (2019). *The Smuggling of Cambodian Migrant Workers to Thailand: "The Case Studies of Poipet City and Sa Kaeo Province"*, Paper presented at The 4th RSU International Research Conference on Science and Technology, Social Sciences, and Humanities 2019. (RSUSSH 2019), 26 April, 2019, Page 1447-1452 at Student Center Building, Rangsit University, Thailand.
Available At: <https://rsucon.rsu.ac.th/files/proceedings/inter2019/IN19-160.pdf>

Thiamchai, Chomporn and Ocha, Witchayanee (2019). *The Future of Thailand to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery in Malacca Straits*, Paper presented at The 4th RSU International Research Conference on Science and Technology, Social Sciences, and Humanities 2019. (RSUSSH 2019), 26 April, 2019, Page 1425-1430 at Student Center Building, Rangsit University, Thailand.
Available At <https://rsucon.rsu.ac.th/files/proceedings/inter2019/IN19-029.pdf>

Techaraweesulpetch, Kanokdarin and Ocha, Witchayanee (2019). *The Role of International Community in Tackling the Issue of Child Soldiers in Myanmar*, Paper presented at The 4th RSU International Research Conference on Science and Technology, Social Sciences, and Humanities 2019. (RSUSSH 2019), 26 April, 2019, Page 1453-1459 at Student Center Building, Rangsit University, Thailand..
Available At <https://rsucon.rsu.ac.th/files/proceedings/inter2019/IN19-225.pdf>

Sukarat, Piyawan and Ocha, Witchayanee (2018). *Expanding Thailand "Sufficiency Economy" For International Cooperation: The case study of Hera, Dili, Democratic of Timor-Leste (2011-Present)*, Paper presented at The 3rd RSU International Research Conference on Science and Technology, Social Science and Humanities, 4 May, 2018, Page 518-522 at Student Center Building, Rangsit University, Thailand.
Available At <https://rsucon.rsu.ac.th/files/proceedings/inter2018/G4-IN18-099.pdf>

Minxin, Li and Ocha, Witchayanee (2018). *“Diplomatic Methods at Boundary Dispute: A Case Study of the South China Sea between China and Philippines”*, Paper presented at The 3rd RSU International Research Conference on Science and Technology, Social Science and Humanities , 4 May, 2018, Page 556-562 at Student Center Building, Rangsit University, Thailand.
Available At <https://rsucon.rsu.ac.th/files/proceedings/inter2018/G4-IN18-108.pdf>

Book Chapters:

Ocha, Witchayanee (2015). Queering Thailand: On the Emergence of New Gender and Sexual Identities. In *The Global Trajectories of Queerness: Re-thinking Same-Sex Politics in the Global South*, Chapter 15 pp, pp.145-160, edited by Tellis Ashley and Sruti Bala. In the series of Thamyris/Intersecting: Place, Sex and Race with Rodopi, Amsterdam Centre for Globalisation Studies and Netherlands Institute for Cultural Analysis, Amsterdam.

Ocha, Witchayanee (2014). Not Yet Queer Enough: Revising ‘Gender’ in Development. In *Contemporary socio-cultural and political perspectives in Thailand* , Chapter 25. pp. 393-408. edited by Liamputtong, Pranee. Springer Dordrecht, The Netherlands.

Ocha, Witchayanee (2011). Thai Transsexual’s Experiences with Discrimination in Employment: Migration and Commercial Sex in Thailand and The Netherlands. In *‘Human Rights in Southeast Asia’ Academic Book: Series 1 ‘Braking the Silence’*, pp. 227-240, Southeast Asian Human Rights Studies Network (SEAHRN).

Book Review:

Ocha, Witchayanee (2012). Indigenous Roots of FEMINISM: Culture, Subjectivity and Agency' by Jasbir Jain (Book Review), *Gender, Technology and Development*, SAGE Publication. Vol. 16 No. 3, pp. 369-382. Available At: <http://gtd.sagepub.com/content/16/3/369.extract>

SEMINARS

2019: **Space Diplomacy: Gender Equality and Sustainable Development**. Paper presented for **SPACE, The Power of the Past, The Promise of the Future**, Panel: **“Space For Inclusiveness: Leaving no one behind”**: at Washington DC, U.S.A. 18-25 October, 2019
Funded by: United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)

2019: **Space Generation [ASEAN] The Speed Mentoring Event and the Workshop**, organized by Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC) In Support of the United Nations Programme on Space Applications, 23-25 August, 2019, NSM Science Square (5th Floor), Chamchuri Square, Bangkok, Thailand Working Group: **Capacity-Building for the ASEAN Space Sector with a special focus on Thailand (capacity)**, Hosted by Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency (GISTDA)

2018: **Space For Women, Women For Space**, Working Group for **The 1st United Nations Global Space Summit of the 21st Century**, at United Nations Office in Vienna (UNOV), Austria, 18-29 June 2018
Funded by: United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)

2018: **Space Generation Forum 2.0**, In support of UNISPACE+50: Working Group **"Space For Women"**, organized by Space Generation Advisory Council, 16-17 June 2018, Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Vienna, Austria.

2018: **UN Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice** Organized by United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC), 14 May, 2018 at United Nations Office in Vienna (UNOV), Austria.

2018: **Mental Health in Prison**, Organized by United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes (UNODC), 17 May, 2018 at United Nations Office in Vienna (UNOV), Austria.

2017: Selected participant to attend the “**UN Expert Meeting: Space for Women**” Organized by The United Nations Office of Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and UN Women at United Nations, New York, U.S.A. 4-6 October, 2017.
Funded by: The United Nations

2010: Selected participant to attend the 5th Asian Graduate Forum on “**South East Asian Studies**”. Organized by Asia Research Institute (ARI) at National University of Singapore (NUS), 5-9 July, 2010.
Funded by: The Singaporean Government

2009: Selected participant to attend the 4th Asian Graduate Forum on “**South East Asian Studies**”. Organized by Asia Research Institute (ARI) at National University of Singapore (NUS), 13-17 July, 2009.
Funded by: The Singaporean Government

2009: Selected participant to attend the seminar on “**Re-visiting/ Re-thinking Gender in Development**” Organized by Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) at Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway, 25-26 June, 2009.
Funded by: The Norwegian Agency for Development (NORAD)