



Press Release from the President

Chiang Rai Rajabhat University

On the special occasion of the globally important Buddhist celebration of *Wisakha Phuja Day* on May 24th and the century birthday celebration of the 19th Supreme Patriarch of Thailand, His Holy Reverence, *Somdet Phra Yannasangwon Somdet Phra Sangkeharat Sakol Maha Sangka Parinayok*, Chiang Rai Rajabhat University will have the great honor in participating in the religious and academic activities commemorating these two important events. This type of event was first organized in 1999 and has been organized ten times. It is the nature of Buddhists all over the world to behave in accordance to “unity in diversity” which is the important theme of the seminar entitled; *A Study of Global Populations: Views and Thoughts on Buddhism*.

Regarding this seminar, the outcome will reveal that important global lessons are learned because of Buddhism especial concerning sustainable national development through the efforts of the cultural societies in the ASEAN community. Important and timely guidelines for entry into a globalized society and community knowledge will be products of this event. All of which will certainly benefit developing countries on behalf of the support and efforts of Chiang Rai Rajabhat University. We would like to praise this event hoping it brings forth blessings and merit for peace and happiness in society.

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