

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

The 12th United Nations Day of Vesak Celebration 2015

Theme: Buddhism & World crisis

Venue: Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU), Wang Noi, Ayutthaya
and United Nations Convention Center Bangkok, Thailand

Program: 28 - 30 May 2015 (BE 2558)



Wednesday, 27 May 2015		
All Day	:	Arrival of participants at Airport Reception, Registration at the Hotel Lobby
19:00 hours	:	Dinner at the Hotel
Thursday, 28 May 2015 – Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU), Conference Hall, Ayutthaya		
08:00 hours	:	Arrival of participants at MCU Conference Hall
08:30 hours	;	Buddhist leaders enter the Conference Hall
09:00 – 09:30 hours	;	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arrival of His Holiness Somdet Phra Maharatchamangkalacharn, the Acting Supreme Patriarch of Thailand• His Holiness is attended and escorted by the Organizing Committee• His Holiness leads the congregation in Paying Homage to the Triple Gem• Report by The Most Ven. Prof. Dr. Phra Brahmapundit, Rector of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University and President of the International Council for Day of Vesak (ICDV)• Speech by His Holiness Somdet Phra Maharatchamangkalacharn
09:30 – 10:00 hours	;	Welcome Address by The Most Ven. Prof. Dr. Phra Brahmapundit, Rector of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University and President of the International Council for Day of Vesak (ICDV)
10:00 – 10:45 hours	;	Keynote Speech on Buddhism & World crisis: Prof. Dr. Damien Keown
10:45 – 11:00 hours	:	Messages from Supreme Patriarch and Buddhist leaders from different traditional
11:30 – 13:00 hours	:	Luncheon
13:00 hours	:	Delegates enters the Auditorium
14:00 hours	:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arrival of HH Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn, Crown Prince of Thailand• HH Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn, Crown Prince of Thailand is attended and escorted by Deputy Prime Minister and organizing Committee• HH Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn, Crown Prince of Thailand Sirindhorn pays Homage to the Triple Gem• Report by HE Deputy Prime Minister

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inauguration speech by HH Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn • HH Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn departs
14:30 – 15:00 hours	;	Welcome Address by H.E. Deputy Prime Minister Wisanu Krue-ngam
15:00 – 17:00 hours	;	Messages from Supreme Patriarch and Buddhist leaders from different traditional
17:00 hours	;	Group Photograph
18.00 hours	;	Dinner
19:00 – 20:30 hours	;	Cultural Show
21:00 hour		Back to Hotel
Friday, 29 May 2015 - Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU) Conference Hall, Ayutthaya		
08:00 hours	;	Arrival of participants at MCU Conference Hall
08:30 – 11:30 hours	;	Penal 1: Buddhist Response to Social Conflicts Resolution Panel 2: Buddhist response to Environmental Degradation Panel 3: Buddhist response to Educational Crisis Panel 4: Buddhism and ASEAN Community Panel 5: CBT closed door meeting
11:30 hours	;	Luncheon
13:00 – 17:00 hours	;	Panel / Workshop (Continued)
18:00 hours	;	Dinner
Saturday, 30 May 2015 – United Nations Convention Center / Buddhamonthon		
08:00 hours	:	Arrival of Participants at UNCC, Bangkok
08:30 hours	:	Speech by H.E. Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-o-cha
09:00 – 10:00 hours	:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech by The Most Ven. Prof. Dr. Phra Brahmapundit, Rector of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University and President of the International Council for Day of Vesak (ICDV) • Speech by the Secretary-General of the UN ESCAP • Message from H.E. Ban Ki-Moon, UN Secretary-General • Message from H.E. Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO
10:00 – 10:20 hours	;	Guest Speaker on the “Royal Duties of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn in the occasion of 60 th Birthday of Her Royal Highness Princess” by Mr. Suphachai Chearavanont, President and CEO of True Corporation Plc., Thailand
10:20 – 11:00 hours	;	Messages from Political Leaders
11:00 hours	;	Luncheon
12:30 hours	;	Group Photo
13:00 – 14:00 hours	;	Final Plenary Session – Recommendations from the Panel and Workshop
14:00 – 15:00 hours	;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announcing of the 2015 Bangkok Declaration followed by chanting for world peace • Closing ceremony presided over by His Holiness Somdet Phra Maharatchamangkalacharn, the Acting Supreme Patriarch of

		Thailand
16:00 hours	;	Proceed to Buddhamonthon for Candle-lit Procession in Srisakyadasapalanyana Buddha Statute's compound, Buddhamonthon, Nakhornpathom
17:00- hours	;	Candle-lit procession
	;	Return to Hotel and Dinner
Sunday, 31 May 2015		
All Day	;	All participants check-out from hotel and depart