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Mr. Paiboon Kittisrikangwan, Assistant Governor, Bank of Thailand (BOT), announces that BOT will be holding its annual research symposium under the topic "**Coping with and Looking beyond the Global Crisis**" from September 15 to 16, 2009 at the Bangkok Convention Centre, Centara Grand at Central World, Bangkok. The symposium aims to disseminate key findings from research by the BOT on the conduct of monetary policy, and to gather inputs from participants. These inputs will serve as guidelines in the formulation of macroeconomic policies to prepare for the changing global economic environment in the near future.

The recent global economic crisis has changed the financial landscape and the conduct of macroeconomic and financial supervision policies of the major economies. Therefore, the public and the private sectors must arrive at a mutual understanding on key lessons and upcoming changes in order to facilitate the structural adjustment of the financial system as well as macroeconomic policies and corporate strategies. The awareness will help build the capacity to weather the global economic crisis and the changing economic environment in the near future as well as foster Thailand's sustainable economic development.

For these reasons, the BOT has conducted research and planned a symposium on these relevant issues. The symposium will be held in two sessions.

The first session will feature the presentation of 5 academic papers, which cover the analysis on the link between the financial and the real sectors as pertaining to the impacts of financial factors on Thailand's business cycles fluctuations; the analysis on the relative importance of exports and other factors as drivers of the Thai economy; the summary of important characteristics of the new global macroeconomic and financial environment in the post-crisis period; developing the efficient and resilient financial system for Thailand; lessons from the crisis and challenge ahead; and finally, the assessment of the appropriate conduct of future macroeconomic policies.

The second session will feature a panel discussion joined by distinguished experts from both the public and private sectors including:

Dr. Kanit Sangsubhan	Director, Fiscal Policy Research Institute Foundation, Ministry of Finance
Dr. Somchai Jitsuchon	Research Director, Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI)
Dr. Veerathai Santiprabhob	Chief Strategy Officer, Stock Exchange of Thailand
Dr. Titanun Mallikamas	Director, Economic Research Department, Bank of Thailand

And the session will be chaired by Mr. Paiboon Kittisrikangwan

The symposium will be conducted in Thai. Tickets for the Symposium are now available at 3,000 Baht. For reservations and further information, please contact the Monetary Policy Group, Bank of Thailand, tel. 0-2356-7389, 0-2283-6980-1, Fax 0-2282-5082, or e-mail to WebTeam@bot.or.th.