

22-28 October 2023, Bangkok/Chiang Mai, Thailand



# Global-SDG-Campus

## Annual Partner Workshop 2023



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# Schedule

**Sunday** 22 October 2023

**Individual arrival in Bangkok**

Accommodation: KU Home / Maruay Garden Hotel

**Day 1**

Monday, 23 October 2023 – Workshop

Venue: FORTROP room, Faculty of Forestry

9:00 Opening remarks Asst. Prof. Dr. Kobsak Wanthongchai & Prof. Dr. Lukas Giessen

9:15 Introduction of participants **Moderation:** Dr. Aor Pranchai

9:30 Workshop agenda/ program Dr. Simon Benedikter  
Dr. Aor Pranchai

**9:45 Progress report Global-SDG-Campus:**  
January – October 2023

- Project overview
- Curricula reviewing report
- Mobility guest researcher
- Erasmus+ mobility scholarships
- Global-SDG-Campus Logo

**Presentation:** Dr. Simon Benedikter

10:30 Coffee/ tea break

**11:00 Global Campus Mobility:** Potentials, opportunities and constraints **Presentation:** Dr. Simon Benedikter  
**Moderation:** Prof. Dr. Iftekhar Shams

- Short presentation (20 minutes)
- Discussion (40 minutes)

12:00 Joint lunch

**13:00 Global Campus Mobility:** Potentials, opportunities and constraints **Moderation:** Prof. Dr. Titus Fondo Ambebe

- Discussion

14:00 Coffee/ tea break

14:30	<b>Joint Teaching Module “SDG contributions from forest landscapes”</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress report</li> <li>• Operationalization plans</li> <li>• Examples for module session</li> </ul>	<b>Presentation:</b> Dr. Simon Benedikter <b>Moderation:</b> Dr. Sarah Burns
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15:30	<b>SDG synergies and trade-offs in forest landscapes – A systematic literature review</b>	<b>Presentation:</b> Dominic Ahrens <b>Moderation:</b> Dr. Michael Jenke
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16:30	Daily wrap-up	Prof. Dr. Lukas Giessen
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17:30	Joint dinner	
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## Day 2 Tuesday, 24 October 2023 – Workshop

Venue: FORTROP room, Faculty of Forestry

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9:00	<b>Joint Teaching Module Session I:</b> Kasetsart University	<b>Presentation:</b> Dr. Michael Jenke <b>Moderation:</b> Prof. Dr. Lukas Giessen
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9:30	<b>Joint Teaching Module Session II:</b> Bamenda University	<b>Presentation:</b> Prof. Dr. Titus Fondo Ambebe <b>Moderation:</b> Dr. Sarah Burns
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10:00	<b>Joint Teaching Module Session III:</b> National University of La Plata	<b>Presentation:</b> Dr. Sarah Burns <b>Moderation:</b> Dr. Aor Pranchai
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10:30	Coffee/ tea break	
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11:00	<b>Joint Teaching Module Session IV:</b> TU Dresden	<b>Presentation:</b> Prof. Dr. Lukas Giessen <b>Moderation:</b> Prof. Dr. Iftekhar Shams
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11:30	<b>Joint Teaching Module Session V:</b> Khulna University	<b>Presentation:</b> Prof. Dr. Iftekhar Shams <b>Moderation:</b> Prof. Dr. Titus Ambebe
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12:00	Joint lunch	
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13:00	<b>Joint Module Session VI:</b> The way forward	<b>Moderation:</b> Dr. Simon Benedikter & Dominic Ahrens
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14:00	Coffee/ tea break	
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15:00	<b>Planning for the year 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobility guest researcher/students</li> <li>• Annual partner meeting 2024 (Stockholm)</li> <li>• Additional funding: ERASMUS+</li> </ul>	Dr. Simon Benedikter
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16:00	Kasetsart Teak Summer School/ Field excursion to Chiang Mai	Dr. Aor Pranchai & Dr. Michael Jenke
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16:45	Joint walk across the Kasetsart Forestry Campus	Dr. Aor Pranchai
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17:30	Joint dinner	
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## Day 3 Wednesday, 25 October 2023

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7:00	Shuttle from Hotel to Don Mueang Airport	
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9:30	Flight from Bangkok to Chiang Mai – FD 3435 AirAsia	
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12:00	Joint lunch	
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13:00	Local timber industry – Thaweephan Wood Products	
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15:00	Sightseeing in Chiang Mai	
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18:00	Joint dinner	
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**Accommodation: Baan Sri Dha (Chiang Mai)**

## Day 4 Thursday, 26 October 2023

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8:00	Drive from Chiang Mai to Mae Ho Phra	
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9:00	Visit teak plantation of Forest Industry Organization (FIO)	
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12:00	Joint lunch	
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13:00	Meeting with stakeholders of local community – social impact of plantation	
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17:00	Visit scenic spot	
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18:00	Joint dinner	
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**Accommodation: Rabeang Pasak Treehouse Resort (Pa Sak Ngam)**

## Day 5 Friday, 27 October 2023

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9:00 Discuss potentials for an international summer school

11:00 Wrap up and Closing session

12:00 Joint lunch

13:00 Drive back to Chiang Mai  
Opportunity for sight-seeing in Chiang Mai or surrounding area

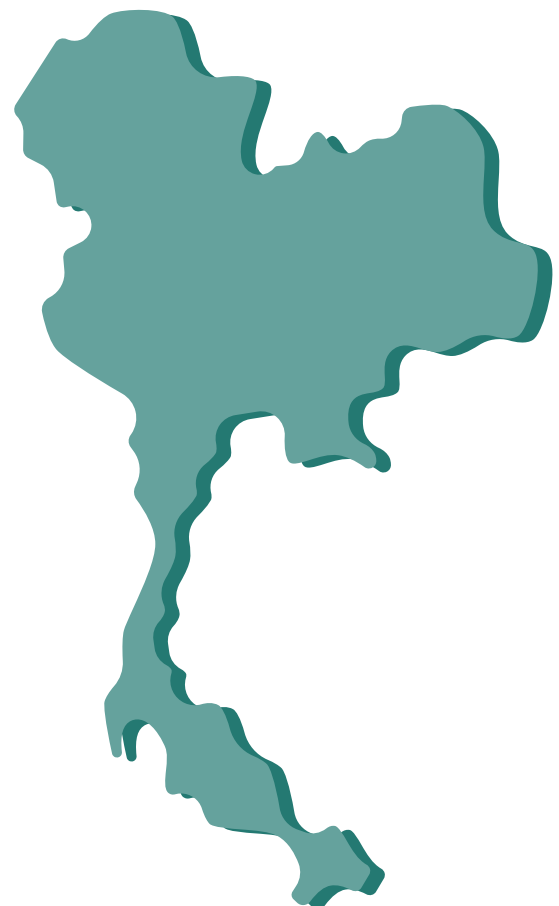
17:00 Drive to airport

19:55 Flight from Chiang Mai to Bangkok – FD 3430 AirAsia

**Accommodation: KU Home / Maruay Garden Hotel**

## Saturday 28 October 2023

Individual departure



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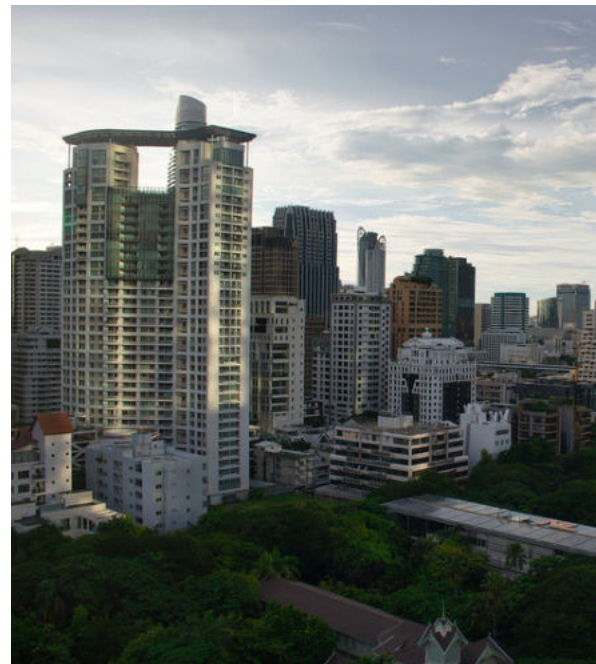
## Day 1



We will start into the workshop with an update and progress report on the achievements since the last partner workshop in Tharandt (Dec. 2022), and then jointly discuss the way forward in the project. Reflecting on the results of the joint curriculum reviewing and discussing on how to go on with the envisioned mobility scheme will be in the focus of the first workshop day. The day will end with a presentation on the research results meta-study on SDG-forest interactions, which provides the way to our second workshop day.

## Day 2

On the second workshop day we will devote attention to our joint teaching course on “SDG-contributions from Forest Landscape”. Each partner university has 30 minutes time to present potential teaching inputs. This should include specific topics for lectures (modules of 60–90 minutes), module outlines/structures and the corresponding lectures who will contribute to the online course. Further we will discuss organizational and technical issues related to the online course. This refers to questions around production, user rights and a workplan with deadlines to fully operationalize the course until the end of 2024. Further, we will plan our activities for next year, including our next annual partner meeting in 2024 and budget planning.

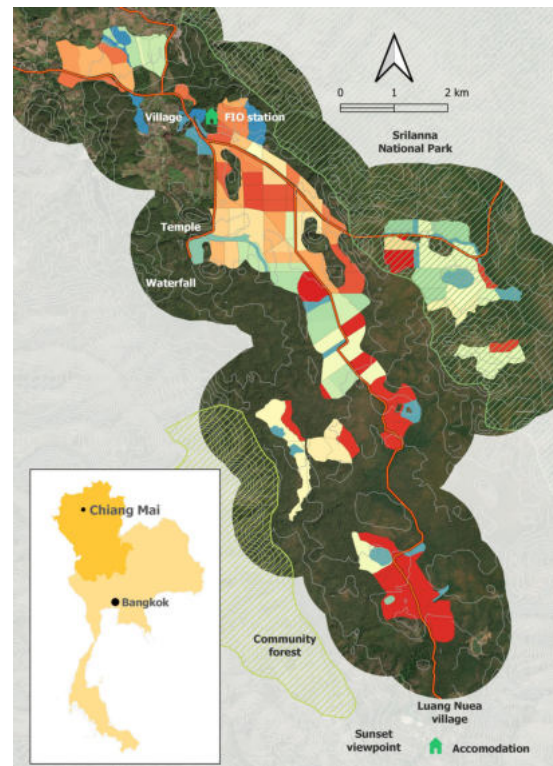


# Field Excursion to Chiang Mai –

## Developing a concept for an International Forestry Summer School

The overall goal of our field trip to Chiang Mai province in Northern Thailand is the development of an international summer school for forestry students. The village of Mae Ho Phra provides a fitting venue for a summer school, with its state-owned teak plantation (1,400 ha) managed by the Forest Industry Organization (FIO), a dedicated state enterprise under the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment. It offers a real-world example of challenges and practices in forest management, including multiple objectives, stakeholder engagement, and ecological conservation. Nestled in the scenic backdrop of Northern Thailand, it is still conveniently situated just an hour's drive from the Chiang Mai International Airport.

The International Summer School on Sustainable Forest Management should offer an immersive and engaging course. Participants will delve into the principles and practices of Sustainable Forest Management, ensuring that forests meet present needs without compromising future generations. The course will explore the multifaceted goals of forest management, balancing timber production with conservation and multifunctional management objectives.





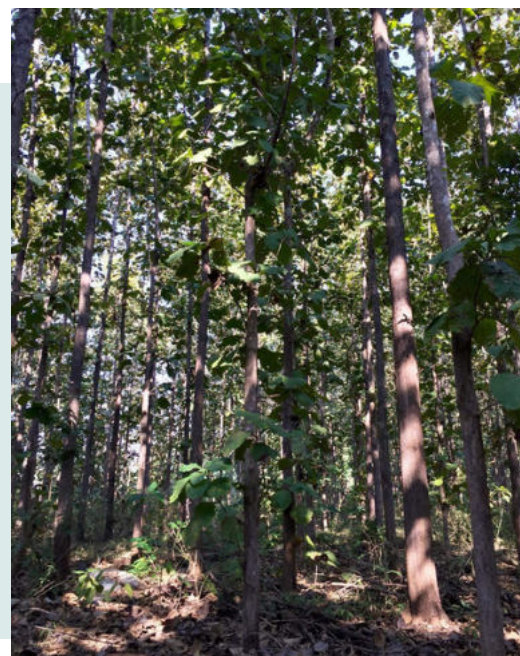


## Day 3

Upon arrival in Chiang Mai, we will meet with local stakeholders in the timber industry. These should provide valuable insights into the local timber trade and its broader implications. The afternoon will be spent visiting the cultural centers in Chiang Mai's old town. Here, we'll explore the rich history of the region, focusing on the integral role that forests and timber products have played throughout Thailand's history. This experience will set the context for the rest of our trip, providing an economic, cultural, and historical context of forestry in Thailand.

## Day 4

The second day will begin with a drive to Mae Ho Phra, where we'll visit the teak plantations that define the region. A meeting with the local Forest Industry Organization (FIO) officer will offer a first-hand perspective on forestry management. We'll then engage with a community leader and the head of the community forest organization, both local stakeholders who can provide insights into forest conservation and community engagement. In the afternoon, we'll visit a scenic forest spot to discuss the role of forest landscapes in tourism and recreation, considering how these natural spaces contribute to the local economy and well-being.



## Day 5

On the final day, we'll translate our impressions into an actionable plan for an international forestry summer school. We'll discuss how the summer school could be organized in Mae Ho Phra, considering the course content, learning outcomes, and logistical issues. These discussions will help in shaping a program that's responsive to the local context and aligned with international best practices. Following this closing session, we'll have time for some more sightseeing of the area before we head back to the airport in Chiang Mai.





# List of participants

Organization	Names
National University of La Plata	Dr. Sarah Burns
Bamenda University	Prof. Titus Fondo Ambebe
Khulna University	Prof. Dr. Md. Iftekhar Shams
Kasetsart University	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ponthep Meunpong Asst. Prof. Dr. Roongreang Poolsiri Asst. Prof. Sapit Diloksumpun Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aor Pranchai Dr. Michael Jenke
TU Dresden	Mr. Dominic Ahrens Dr. Simon Benedikter Prof. Dr. Lukas Giessen

## Workshop organization



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# Hotel Address in Bangkok

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## Thai

### KU Home

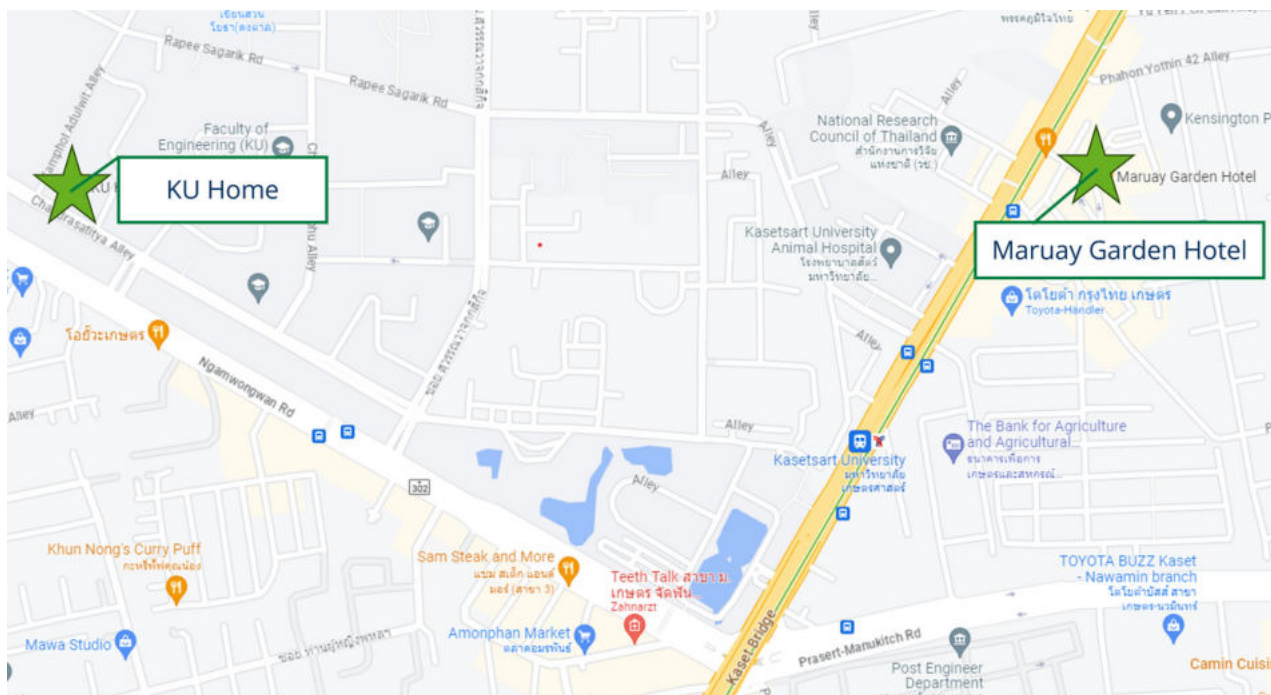
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### Way description:

From Suvarnabhumi International Airport take the airport train to Phaya Thai MRT station. From there go on with the BTS Sukhumvit (line) direction to Khu Khot and get off at Kasetsart University. From there you can either walk (approx. 500–700 meters) or take a taxi.