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MEINHARDT IN FOCUS

The Eastern Economic Corridor Development (EEC) initiative has stimulated considerable large-scale investment in new industrial projects in the provinces of Chachoengsao, Chonburi, and Rayong. This has generated many opportunities for Engineering Design & Project Management / Construction Management Services with Multinational Corporations.

"We are excited to see investors of various industries from every continent, all over the world, expanding or finally committing to build their new facilities in Thailand. Meinhardt values the opportunity to support both the industrial and mega infrastructure such as high-speed train and aeration hub projects; and also embraces the challenges to respond to the new standards and technologies required."



Chen Yao Hui Director, Meinhardt Thailand



PROJECT IN FOCUS

The construction of the new ThaiNamthip Warehouse and Distribution Centre at a greenfield site in Na Jomtien, Chon Buri is now completed and ready to serve as a distribution centre in Pattaya. The 4,000 sq.m. project includes warehouse with office building and is part of ThaiNamthip Co., Ltd.'s 15-year growth plan. ThaiNamthip is a bottler of Coca-Cola, Fanta, Sprite, Namthip, and Schweppes in Thailand.

Meinhardt has provided Architectural, C&S, Geotechnical, MEP Engineering Design & Project Management and Construction Management services.

STAFF IN FOCUS

This month we feature Associate Director, **Dr. Praween Chusilp.** With 15 years of experience in structural engineering and project management, his experience encompasses a board spectrum of project types including high-rise buildings, precast buildings, factories & warehouses, and petrochemical plants.

With a D.Eng. in Structural Engineering from Nagoya University, Japan, Dr. Praween specialized in earthquake engineering. Some of his key projects include one of Thailand's tallest forthcoming buildings; seismic evaluation of the United Nations, Bangkok; and also this month's featured project, the new ThaiNamthip Warehouse and Distribution Centre.



Dr. Praween Chusilp Associate Director

FACT IN FOCUS

According to the Thailand Board of Investment (BOI) statistics, there was 1,125 projects with a total value of THB 377,054 billion seeking approval to invest in Thailand during 2018 with 1,118 projects approved. Investments are categorized as 53% new investments and 47% of expansion; foreign investments of 39%, local investments of 28% and joint venture investments of 33%.

Source: Boi.go.th. (2018). BOI: The Board of Investment of Thailand.. [online] Available at: https://www.boi.go.th/upload/content/20180930condition_5bf3b2e5a899a.pdf [Accessed 8 Feb. 2019].

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