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MEINHARDT IN FOCUS

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I am pleased to advise that the **Bangkok office is back to full workload**, after the impact the Covid pandemic has had on our industry. We have many exciting new projects actively underway in a large variety of sectors, including those being the result of FDI. This is good news for Thailand and our industry partners.

It has been an absolute pleasure recently catching up with staff and presenting them with their long-service awards. A particularly nice touch has been Khun Arn and me being the first staff to make it to 30 years' service in the Bangkok office. I recall vividly watching Arn help my wife make and hang curtains in our first small office, while I was busy trying to break into the consulting market here, all those years ago. A great strength of our company is the large number of long-term staff, especially our senior management team who have all supported me for over 20 years.

Also, back on our agenda this year is **the annual Christmas Cocktail party**, which will be held in Bangkok on **Tuesday 29th November**, celebrating over 30 Years of operating in Thailand. Be sure to pencil this event into your diaries so we can celebrate together in the true style that Meinhardt hospitality always excels in.





John Pollard Managing Director - Meinhardt Thailand Group Regional CEO - South Asia

PROJECT IN FOCUS

The Lofts Silom, developed by Raimon Land is located in the "Heart of Silom." This high-rise luxury residence comprises 37 floors with 268 units and includes 4-unit types. It has a constructed GFA of 30,000 sq.m. and was completed in 2020.

Meinhardt provided **Civil & Structural, MEP engineering design** services to the project.

STAFF IN FOCUS

K. Noolan Padlad (or Auntie Arn), our Maid has been with Meinhardt Thailand for 30 years and was amongst the very first members of staff since the company was established in 1991. She has continued in her duties to keep our facilities and common areas clean and tidy throughout this period. She interacts with visitors welcoming our guests with her fine Barista skills. Our clients certainly enjoy her cappuccinos!

Translated from Thai "Time flies!" It has been long path on my journey with Meinhardt (Thailand). Since its inauguration in Thailand I have seen the company grow to become one of the strongest engineering consultant firms in the region, including expansion into Myanmar. During the past 30 years, I have enjoyed my role serving the company and maintained good relationships with my fellow staff. I would like to especially thank Mr. John Pollard, the Managing Director, and the Directors of Meinhardt (Thailand) Ltd. for recognizing and awarding me the 30 Year Staff Service Award, which I am truly honored to receive."



Noolan Padlad Maid

FACT IN FOCUS

LiDAR, or light detection and ranging, is a popular remote sensing method used for measurement and surveying.

It works by projecting laser light at an object and calculating the time it takes to return to the LiDAR source. Given the speed at which light travels, the process of measuring the exact distance through LiDAR is incredibly fast. This technology was utilized to reveal Angkor's Hidden City leading to the rediscovery of the existence of the Khmer Empire lost for hundreds of years. It is also used in the airline industry. Laser scanners are mounted on the plane and provide extremely accurate, detailed 3-D measurements of the ground, vegetation and buildings. The technology is useful for Oceanography, Digital Elevation or Terrain Model, Agriculture & Archaeology, and high precision security systems.

Source: Bhupendra, S 2021, What is LiDAR technology and how does it work?, Geospatial World, accessed 6 April 2022, < https://www.geospatialworld.net/blogs/what-is-lidar-technology-and-how-does-it-work/>