

Welcome Address by
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Thailand Focus 2024 – “Adapting to a Changing World”
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Professor Kitipong Urapeepatanapong (กิติพงษ์ อุรพีพัฒนพงศ์), Chairman of The Stock Exchange of Thailand

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Excellencies,

Distinguished guests,

- Good morning. It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to “Thailand Focus 2024”, the flagship annual event of The Stock Exchange of Thailand. This year’s theme, “Adapting to a Changing World,” is particularly relevant as we navigate a period of rapid disruption, both here in Thailand and across the globe.
- Today, our conference will feature insightful discussions led by the Deputy Minister, our Chairman, the Governor, and notable speakers. They will discuss the direction of Thailand’s economy and capital market, highlighting significant business and investment opportunities in this transformative era—opportunities that I believe will redefine your view of Thailand’s investment landscape.
- In these unprecedented times, Thailand, as an integral part of the global economy, faces both challenges and opportunities driven by technological advancements, emerging

industries, and climate change. We are witnessing the rise of new industries, investment relocations, digital transformation, and innovative climate strategies—all crucial aspects of the country’s adaptation to the evolving economic ecosystem. At The Stock Exchange of Thailand, we recognize the necessity of embracing these changes to sustain the growth and resilience of our market.

- Today’s sessions are designed to reflect the nature of change and adaptation. We will examine the progress of the Thai capital market amidst disruption, discuss the impacts of industry evolution and investment shifts, and consider Thailand’s potential as a medical hub. Additionally, we will explore the role of digital innovation in transforming supply chains and identify business opportunities arising from new climate policies.
- The Stock Exchange of Thailand is committed to fostering a platform where top policymakers and market participants can exchange expertise. Our aim is to create an environment where businesses thrive, investors discover opportunities, and society benefits from our collective progress.
- I extend my deepest gratitude to our esteemed speakers and moderators for their valuable information. I also thank our distinguished guests for participating in “Thailand Focus 2024.” I hope that you will gain clear, actionable insights into Thailand’s investment ecosystem, and I look forward to the collaborations that will emerge from today’s discussions.
- In conclusion, I leave you with this thought: “With every change comes a new chance—let us adapt to advance and innovate to enhance.”

Now, please join me in warmly welcoming Mr. Paopoom Rojanasakul (เผ่าภูมิ โรจนสกุล), Deputy Minister of Finance, for the opening address.
