

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Dr Thitinan Pongsudhirak
Mailing Address: 36/13-14 Soi Pibulsongkram 22
Nonthaburi 11000 THAILAND
(email: pongsudhirak@hotmail.com)

EDUCATION:

2001 PhD in International Political Economy
The London School of Economics and Political Science
Thesis: "Crisis From Within: The Politics of
Macroeconomic Management in Thailand, 1947-97"
(Awarded United Kingdom's Best Dissertation Prize)

1992 MA, *The Johns Hopkins University*
School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)
Concentrations: International Economics and
International Relations

1989 BA (Honours) with Distinction in Political Science
The University of California at Santa Barbara
Concentration: International Relations

EXPERIENCE:

August 2006 – present Director of the Institute of Security and International
Studies (ISIS), Faculty of Political Science,
Chulalongkorn University

September 2006 – present Associate Professor, Department of International
Relations, Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn
University
Courses taught: International political economy; survey
of international relations literature; social science
research skills

June 2004 – September 2006 Assistant Professor, Department of International
Relations, Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn
University

February 2005 – present Columnist, *The Bangkok Post*
Contribute regular op-eds on Thai politics,
Macro-economy and foreign policy

September 2002 – June 2004 Deputy Dean for International Affairs,
Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University

June 1993 – June 2004 Lecturer, Department of International Relations
Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University

November 2005	Consultant, Preuksa Real Estate (PR) Assisted Preuksa on its road show in preparation for listing on the Stock Exchange of Thailand
March – April 2005	Visiting Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore
February – March 2004	Consultant, Airports of Thailand (AOT) Assisted the AOT on its road show in preparation for listing on the Stock Exchange of Thailand
January 1998 - 2007	The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) Thailand Country Analyst
March 1997 – 2007	Consultant, Independent Economic Analysis (IDEA) (Money-markets consultancy) Country Analyst, Thai politics and macroeconomy
April 1997 – 1999	Part-time Producer/Commentator The BBC World Service Thai Section/East Asia Today
August - September 1997	Campaign Organiser of Overseas Thais for the Constitution (OTC), an overseas Thai movement of more than 3,000 members who lobbied for the passage of Thailand's 1997 constitution. Organized the campaign via the Internet, < www.public.iastate.edu/~stu_org/Thai/consti >
March - June 1994	Visiting Faculty Researcher, University of Tuebingen, GERMANY (Wrote a paper on comparative security organizations between ASEAN and the EU)
September 1994 - 2004	Freelance Simultaneous Translator (Thai-English)
September 1994 - 1996	Contributing Editor <i>The Nation</i> , English-language daily newspaper (Columnist on current Thai politics, economy, current affairs, and foreign relations)
August 1993 - March 1994	Research Associate Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI) (Researched water allocation problems in Thailand)
June 1992 - June 1993	Reporter and Staff Writer, <i>The Nation</i> Wrote business news stories, with emphasis on Thai macro-economic policy, international trade and finance,

stock market, and foreign direct investment

June - August 1991

Intern, Burson-Marsteller, public-relations consultancy

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

Spring 2010

Stanford University International Scholar

June 2009

Salzburg Global Seminar Faculty Member

October 2008

Japan Foundation's Thailand Cultural Leader

November 2006

Asia Society Young Leaders Summit

March – April 2005

Visiting Research Fellowship, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore

2002

National Research Council of Thailand's Ph.D. Dissertation Prize in Political Science and Public Administration

2001

United Kingdom's Best Ph.D. Dissertation in Comparative and International Politics

1996 – 1999

Harvard-Yenching Ph.D. Scholarship

1991 – 1992

SAIS M.A. Scholarship

1990 – 1991

Leonard Dalsemer M.A. Scholarship

1989 – 1990

Henry Luce Graduate Fellowship

1989

B.A. Graduation with Distinction in Political Science, University of California at Santa Barbara

1988 – 1989

University of California Undergraduate Fellowship

BOOKS:

Thailand's Trade Policy Strategy and Capacity (in Thai), co-authored with Dr Razeen Sally, Bangkok: Department of International Relations, Chulalongkorn University, 2008.

Ten Years After the Economic Crisis: Thai Democracy at a Three-Way Crossroads (in Thai), Bangkok: Double AA Publishers, 2007.

Great Issues in Thailand's Public and Foreign Policies in the Next Decade (in Thai), co-edited with Abhinya Rattanamongkolmas, Bangkok: The Institute of Security and International Studies, 1994.

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS:

- “Between Change and Continuity: Thailand’s Topsy-Turvy Foreign Policy Directions” in *Global Asia*, October-December 2009.
- “The Search for A New Consensus” in *Journal of International Security Affairs*, Fall 2009.
- “The Tragedy of the 1997 Constitution” in John Funston (ed.), *Thailand’s Continuing Crises: The Coup and Violence in the South*, Singapore: ISEAS, 2009
- “After the Red Uprising”, *Far Eastern Economic Review*, May 2009.
- “Thailand Since the Coup”, *Journal of Democracy*, October-December 2008.
- “Thaksin: Competitive Authoritarian and Flawed Dissident” in John Kane, Haig Patapan and Benjamin Wong (eds), *Dissident Democrats: The Challenge of Democratic Leadership in Asia*, New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008.
- “Mainland Southeast Asia, ASEAN and the Major Powers in East Asian Regional Order” in Jun Tsunekawa (ed.), *Regional Order in East Asia: ASEAN and Japan Perspectives*, Tokyo: National Institute for Defense Studies, 2007.
- “World War II and Thailand After 60 Years: Legacies and Latent Side-Effects” in David Koh (ed.), *World War II: Transient and Enduring Legacies for East and Southeast Asia 60 Years On*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2007.
- “The Malay-Muslim Insurgency in Southern Thailand” in Andrew T.H. Tan (ed.), *A Handbook of Terrorism and Insurgency in Southeast Asia*, Singapore: Edward Elgar, 2007.
- “Thaksin’s Political Zenith and Nadir” in *Southeast Asian Affairs 2006*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2006.
- “Thailand” in Russell H.K. Heng and Rahul Sen (eds), *Regional Outlook: Southeast Asia, 2006-2007*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2006.
- “Thai Politics After the 6 February 2005 General Election”, *Trends Series*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), March 2005.
- “Thailand’s Foreign Policy Under the Thaksin Government”, *EurAsia Bulletin*, Brussels: European Institute of Asian Studies, December 2004.
- “The Rise of Bilateral Free Trade Areas in Asia” in Hank Lim and Chungly Lee (eds), *The North-South Divide: An Appraisal of Asian Regionalism*, Singapore: Marshall Cavendish Publishers, 2004.
- “Globalisation and Its Thai Critics” in Yoichiro Sato (ed.) *Growth and Governance in Asia*, Honolulu: Asia Pacific Centre for Security Studies, 2004.

“Thailand: Democratic Authoritarianism”, *Southeast Asian Affairs 2003*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2003.

“Small Arms Trafficking in Southeast Asia: A Perspective from Thailand” in Philips J. Vermonte (ed.), *Small Is (Not) Beautiful: The Problem of Small Arms in Southeast Asia*, Jakarta: Centre for Strategic and International Studies, 2004.

“Autonomy, Institutions, and the Baht Crisis”, in Dieter Mahneke, Kullada Kesboonchoo-Mead, Prathoomporn Vajrasthira, and Rudolf Hrbek (eds), *ASEAN and the EU in the International Environment*, Asia-Europe Studies Series Volume 4. Baden-Baden, Germany: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, 1999.

“Thailand’s media: Whose watchdog?” in Kevin Hewison (ed.), *Political Change in Thailand*. London: Routledge, 1997.

“ASEAN Security Imperatives: Lessons From European Security Cooperation”, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok: *Journal of European Studies*, Vol. 3, 1995.

“The Central Plains”, a chapter in *Water Conflicts*, Bangkok: Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI), 1995.

“Thailand’s Foreign Economic Policies in An Uncertain Era: Arranging Priorities for the 21st Century” (in Thai), a chapter in Abhinya Rattanamongkolmas and Thitinan Pongsudhirak (eds), *Great Issues in Thailand’s Public and Foreign Policies in the Next Decade* (in Thai), 1994.

SELECTED OP-EDS:

The Bangkok Post, “Political realignments - backing and baramee”, 9 October 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Abhisit’s fantastic speech about a fanciful Thailand”, 30 September 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Right-wing PAD must not resort to irredentism”, 23 September 2009

The Bangkok Post, “The coup-making coalition’s mistaken basic premise”, 18 September 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Lessons from the tragedy of 1997 charter”, 16 September 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Public played for fools in police power plays”, 11 September 2009

The Bangkok Post, “A ticking time-bomb no one’s defusing”, 9 September 2009

The Bangkok Post “Asean’s credibility and relevance in the spotlight”, 17 July 2009

The Bangkok Post, “By-election results will see a realignment”, 30 June 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Asean-Korea summit to highlight Seoul’s soft power”, 1 June 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Asean Charter faces its first major crisis”, 28 May 2009

The Bangkok Post, “The politics of charter amendment and amnesty”, 1 May 2009

Far Eastern Economic Review, “After the Uprising”, 19 April 2009

The New York Times, “Why Thais Are Angry”, 18 April 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Normalcy requires a semblance of equal justice”, 16 April 2009

OpinionAsia.org, “Thailand’s anti-establishment forces in retreat (for now)”, 15 April 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Red shirts need restraint and the way forward”, 8 April 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Don’t underestimate the red shirts’ wrath”, 3 April 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Censure may serve to strengthen govt”, 20 March 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Transport Ministry’s one-airport policy smells fishy”, 13 March 2009

The Bangkok Post, “Asean’s problematic search for relevance”, 6 March 2009

The Bangkok Post, “So far not so good for Abhisit’s govt”, 6 February 2009
The Bangkok Post, “PM’s baggage confronts his political inheritance”, 30 January 2009
The Bangkok Post, “A crucial year, when foul is fair and fair is foul”, 9 January 2009
The Bangkok Post, “Expect prime minister’s political instincts to be put to the test at any time”, 19 December 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Triple whammy besets Thai economy”, 12 December 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Grinding crisis needs an accommodation”, 5 December 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The spectre of the UDD’s inexorable backlash”, 2 December 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Where is the PAD going with this?”, 27 November 2008.
The Bangkok Post, “House dissolution best way out of impasse”, 12 September 2008
The Bangkok Post, “It’s the tyranny of a PAD-led minority”, 1 September 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Autonomy is imperative for Bank of Thailand”, 21 August 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The stakes in post-Thaksin Thailand”, 13 August 2008
OpinionAsia.com, “The US and Asia After President Bush”, 11 August 2008
The Bangkok Post, “President Bush’s mixed legacy in Asia”, 8 August 2008
The Bangkok Post, “PM Samak’s futile cabinet reshuffle”, 5 August 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The politics of Preah Vihear and Phra Viharn”, 25 July 2008
The Bangkok Post, “PM Samak retakes the offensive”, 17 July 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The censure debate and its implications”, 27 June 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The hijacking of Thai democracy”, 23 June 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The People’s Alliance, then and now”, 10 June 2008
The Bangkok Post, “To avoid another coup”, 30 May 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Asean must be effective gatekeeper for victims”, 22 May 2008
The Bangkok Post, “A tale of two charters”, 15 May 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Battle lines drawn over charter changes”, 25 April 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Crisis of charter amendments looms”, 4 April 2008
The Bangkok Post, “PPP govt picks up where Thaksin left off”, 14 March 2008
The Bangkok Post, “The politics of Thaksin’s homecoming”, 29 February 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Resurgent populism under ‘B Team’”, 8 February 2008
The Bangkok Post, “Samak’s prospects and longevity”, 1 February 2008
The Bangkok Post, “A grand tug-of-war still prevails”, 22 January 2008
The Bangkok Post, “When Hong Kong comes to Bangkok”, 11 January 2008
The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Let the Party Begin”, 28 December 2007
The Bangkok Post, “PPP-led govt not a foregone conclusion”, 25 December 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Populism triumphs in an emerging new Thailand”, 20 December 2007
OpinionAsia.org, “Thai Rak Thai’s Reincarnations To Win the Election”, 18 December 2007
The Asian Wall Street Journal, “The Resurrection of Thai Rak Thai”, 12 December 2007
The Bangkok Post, “The post-election numbers game”, 3 December 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Asean’s bang ends in a whimper”, 28 November 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Coalition govt a foregone conclusion?”, 13 November 2007
OpinionAsia.com, “Thailand’s Biggest Question Mark: King Bhumibol’s Health”, 11 November 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Leadership shapes electoral landscape”, 24 October 2007
The Bangkok Post, “The junta plays a new ball game”, 10 October 2007
The Bangkok Post, “ASEAN’s failure and Thailand’s shame”, 28 September 2007
The Bangkok Post, “The Politics of Gen Sonthi’s civilian role”, 27 September 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Little good about ‘good’ coup”, 19 September 2007
South China Morning Post, “Climbing on the ruins of Thai democracy”, 6 September 2007
The Asian Wall Street Journal, “A Poor Poll”, 21 August 2007

OpinionAsia.org, “Thailand’s Power Holders Put Thaksin Away”, 20 June 2007
OpinionAsia.org, “Anti-Thaksin Draft Charter is a Dead End”, 30 April 2007
OpinionAsia.org, “Thai junta in search of Exit Strategy”, 29 March 2007
The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Thailand’s Constitutional Crisis”, 24 May 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Designed to prevent monopoly”, 20 April 2007
The Asian Wall Street Journal, “A Coup Disgraced”, 12 April 2007
The Bangkok Post, “A long road to general election day”, 10 April 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Government’s baht policy in disarray”, 28 March 2007
The Bangkok Post, “CNS in search of an exit strategy”, 23 March 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Reshuffle unlikely to be PM’s last”, 14 March 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Crisis of leadership hits Surayud govt”, 2 March 2007
The Irrawaddy, “Thailand’s Titanic Struggle”, February 2007
OpinionAsia.org, “Thaksin is down but still not out”, 16 February 2007
The Bangkok Post, “The Surayud govt’s moral setback”, 20 February 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Bangkok’s two-airport imperative”, 14 February 2007
The Bangkok Post, “CNS, govt face high stakes at Suvarnabhumi”, 12 February 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Enough is definitely not enough”, 26 January 2007
OpinionAsia, “The End of Thailand (as we know it), 20 January 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Singapore’s insensitive miscalculation”, 18 January 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Legal clarity becomes policy confusion”, 13 January 2007
Asia Times Online, “Thailand’s Year of Living Dangerously”, 5 January 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Objective clear, identity murky”, 4 January 2007
The Bangkok Post, “Surayud govt’s technocratic debacle”, 27 December 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Alarming constitutional preferences”, 22 December 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Alarming rifts in anti-Thaksin coalition”, 15 December 2006
Asia Times Online, “Singapore’s troubled Shin Corp deal”, 13 December 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Something is odd about the coup”, 24 November 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Doing a Thaksin deepens Singapore’s culpability”, 13 November 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Military losing post-coup momentum”, 2 November 2006
The Bangkok Post, “No honeymoon for the general”, 3 October 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Uphill struggle ahead for coup council”, 26 September 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Stepping in to heal the breach”, 22 September 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Political implications of election delay”, 20 September 2006
The Bangkok Post, “The politics of Suvarnabhumi Airport”, 13 September 2006
The Bangkok Post, “C-in-C’s olive branch anathema to CEO”, 6 September 2006
The Irrawaddy, “Thailand at the Crossroads”, September 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Behind Thaksin’s self-victimisation”, 29 August 2006
The Bangkok Post, “The Democrat party’s moment of truth”, 16 August 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Brinkmanship at nation’s expense”, 7 August 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Small step in the right direction”, 31 July 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Decree does not legitimise Thaksin”, 24 July 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Thaksin goes on the offensive” 12 July 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Coupling may exonerate TRT”, 29 June 2006
The Bangkok Post, “End of beginning in Thailand’s crisis”, 19 May 2006
The Bangkok Post, “A murky way out of the political crisis”, 5 May 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Post-Thaksin economic policy challenges”, 14 April 2006
The Bangkok Post, “The political standoff is not over”, 7 April 2006
The Bangkok Post, “PAD needs to regroup and rethink”, 29 March 2006
The Bangkok Post, “Thaksin’s endgame is now in sight”, 17 March 2006

International Herald Tribune, “Thailand: Thaksin’s challengers have responsibility, too”, 14 March 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Boycott: the easy, but wrong, way out”, 28 February 2006

The Bangkok Post, “PM must dissolve House now, or resign in disgrace later”, 24 February 2006

The Bangkok Post, “House dissolution is best way out”, 10 February 2006

The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Thai Democracy’s ‘Tumultuous Standoff’”, 9 February 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Is Temasek complicit in scandal?”, 6 February 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Perception, not the substance, is vital”, 3 February 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Thaksin’s political insurance policy”, 26 January 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Thaksin’s political survival at stake”, 13 January 2006

The Bangkok Post, “Sondhi should go back to his office”, 9 December 2005

The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Thai Democracy on the March”, 2-4 December 2005.

The Bangkok Post, “Egat could be Thaksin’s undoing”, 28 November 2005

The Bangkok Post, “The de-mystification of PM Thaksin”, 20 September 2005

The Bangkok Post, “Latent effects from Thailand’s brush with the great war”, 16 August 2005

The Bangkok Post, “Thailand’s wartime balancing act”, 15 August 2005

The Irrawaddy, “A Win-Win-Win Proposition for Thaksin”, August 2005

The Bangkok Post, “What next after the emergency decree?”, 22 July 2005

The Bangkok Post, “The hawks now in complete charge”, 19 July 2005

The Bangkok Post, “Thaksinomics’ ignores the reality”, 15 July 2005

The Bangkok Post, “The ‘little empires’ are striking back”, 28 June 2005

The Bangkok Post, “Seeing through obfuscation”, 24 May 2005

The Bangkok Post, “Bloody events have mixed legacy”, 20 May 2005

The Straits Times, “Stay the course on southern troubles”, 9 April 2005.

The Straits Times, “Thaksin’s second chance in Thailand”, 26 March 2005.

The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Facing Up to Thailand’s Separatism”, 11 November 2004

The Asian Wall Street Journal, “Thaksin Flirts With Liverpool”, 26 May 2004

The Bangkok Post, “Thaksin casts a wide spell”, 19 January 2004.

Far Eastern Economic Review, “Behind Thaksin’s War on Terror”, 25 September 2003.

International Herald Tribune, “No dissent in Bangkok?”, 5 March 2002.

International Herald Tribune, “But the Prime-Minister-to-Be Could Be Ruled Out”, 10 January 2001.

International Herald Tribune, “Thailand’s Incompetent Government Cries Out for Reform,” 12 August 1997.

International Herald Tribune, “One Year After the Thai Crisis: Some Winners and Losers”, 2 July 1998.

Far Eastern Economic Review, "Avoid the 18th coup," (5th column), 4 April 1991.

*** Additional op-eds written for *The Nation* and *Bangkok Post* available on request.

OTHER MEDIA:

TELEVISION: Commented on Thai politics and macro-economy for *CNN*, *CNBC*, *BBC World*, *Bloomberg TV*, *NHK*, *Australian Broadcasting Corporation*, *Channel News Asia*, *Reuters TV*, *AFPTV*, *APTV*, *PBS*, *Al Jazeera*, *BBC2 Newsnight Program*, *Canadian Broadcasting Corporation*, *Star TV News*, *The MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour (May 1992)*, and local *Thai TV stations 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, TNN, and TV Thai*.

PRINT AND RADIO: Quoted in *The Economist*, *The Financial Times*, *The New York Times*, *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Bloomberg News*, *International Herald Tribune*, *The Washington Post*, *The Guardian*, *The Times of London*, *The Daily Telegraph*, *Le Figaro*, *Le Match*, *Der Spiegel*, *Straits Times*, *Today*, *New Straits Times*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Star*, *USA Today*, *Boston Globe*, *Asahi Shimbun*, *Mainichi Shimbun*, *Kyodo News*, *Nikkei*, *Far Eastern Economic Review*, *Asian Business*, *Reuters*, *AP*, *AFP*, *Bloomberg*, *National Public Radio*, *Voice of America*, *Radio Singapore*, *Radio Australia*, *Radio Scotland*, *BBC World Service East Asia Today*, and *BBC NewsHour*, among other broadcast outlets

OTHER BACKGROUND DETAILS:

Languages: Thai (native); Thai and English (bilingual); French (functional)

Hobbies: Competition-level tennis; maps

Marital Status: Married to Dr Pavidia Pananond, with one daughter.