

## **Dr. Kamalinne Pinitpuvadol**



### **BACKGROUND**

Born in Bangkok on August 17, 1958, Dr. Kamalinne Pinitpuvadol held Bachelor's degrees in law from Chulalongkorn University (Bangkok, the Kingdom of Thailand), Master's degrees in international law (Diplôme d'études approfondies or DEA) from the Université Robert Schuman, also known as Strasbourg III and obtained a Doctorate in international law (Docteur en Droit) in 1991 from the University of Strasbourg (the French Republic).

He started his career as a Lecturer at the Faculty of Law of Chulalongkorn University in 1991 where he taught and researched in the areas of private international law, international investment law, international trade law, international economic law, international law on children's rights and European Union law. In addition to his legal scholar, he was appointed the Executive Director of Child Rights ASIANET, a regional center founded by the Faculty of Law, the International Law Association of Thailand (ILAT) and the United Nations Children's Fund for East Asia and the Pacific (UNICEF/EAPRO) which aimed to promote and protect rights of children in Asia and the Pacific. He held the position of Secretary General of the International Law Association of Thailand and led the preparation of the Thailand Journal of International Law. He also held the positions of Associate judge at the Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court.

He joined the Eastern Asia University in 2003 as Vice President for Research Affairs and Director of Master Program on Business Law. From 2008 to 2014, he served as Deputy Executive Director at the Knowledge Network Institute of Thailand, Ministry of Education, a public policy engagement organization focusing on higher

education. He also held the position of Director of the Institute of good governance for universities.

In 2015, he was elected and appointed to the position of the Executive Director of the International Institute for Trade and Development (ITD) (Public organization)<sup>1</sup>. During his office for the term of four years, Dr. Kamalinne Pinitpuvadol has seen to fruition his work to revitalize and strengthen the organization, as well as his work in promoting and strengthening knowledge on various issues related to trade, investment and development through conferences, seminars, workshop, training programmes and research programmes. Under his direction and leadership, ITD has also increased the scope of its engagements with other international organizations and regional organizations. ITD has cooperated closely with UNCTAD, WTO, ITC, UNCITRAL, UNESCAP and ICSID. ITD has also embarked on several capacity-building and research programmes with various national and regional organizations such as APEC, ASEAN, Asia-Pacific Research and Training Network on Trade (ARTNeT), Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), ASEAN Law Association (ALA), Asian Society of International Law (Asian SIL), CUTS International, Mekong Institute (MI), Economic Research Institute for Trade (ERIT) of Lao PDR, Institute of Malaysian and International Studies (IKMAS), Trade Training and Research Institute (TTRI) of Cambodia and Free Trade University (FTU) of Vietnam.

In the last few years, he holds the position of Advisor to the National Security Council of Thailand and Senior Legal Expert on international law at Department of International Economic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He represented the Kingdom of Thailand in the meeting of UNCITRAL Working Group III (ISDS reform) in January 2020. He also holds the position of member of the Expert Committee of various organizations such as International Advisory Board of CUTs International, Committee on Children's rights of the Department of Children and Youth Affairs, Committee on Legal affairs of the Board of Investment, Foreign Affairs Committee of the Office of Trade Competition Commission, Academic and Research Committee of the Thailand Institute of Justice and Committee on the Executive Course on Thailand and ASEAN in the Global Political Economy Of the College of Politics and Governance, King Prajadhipok's Institute. He still teaches occasionally at the Faculty of Law of Chulalongkorn University.

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<sup>1</sup> Established under a Cooperation Agreement between the Royal Thai Government and UNCTAD during the Tenth Session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD X) held in Bangkok in February 2000, ITD is a center of excellence in training and research in the field of international trade, finance, investment and development in order to serve the needs of public and private sectors in the Asian region and sub-region. ITD aims also to foster the cooperation on trade, finance, investment and development between countries in the region and sub-region through collaborative research projects and to collaborate with UNCTAD and other international organizations to disseminate knowledge gained to developing countries in the region and sub-region.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE :**

- Executive Director, International Institute for Trade and Development (ITD) (Public organization)
- Advisor to the National Security Council of Thailand
- Senior Legal Expert on international law at the Department of International Economic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Secretary General of the International Law Association of Thailand
- Associate Judge, The Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court, Thailand
- Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand
- Executive Director of Child Rights ASIANET (a Regional Centre on Child Rights for Asia and the Pacific)
- Vice President for Research Affairs, Eastern Asia University
- Director of Master Program on Business Law, Eastern Asia University
- Deputy Executive Director, Knowledge Network Institute of Thailand, Ministry of Education
- Director of the Institute of good governance for universities, Ministry of Education
- Member of the International Advisory Board of CUTs International
- Member of the Independent National Rule of Law Commission (NRLC)
- Member of the Committee on Children's rights of the Department of Children and Youth Affairs
- Member of the Committee on Legal affairs of the Board of Investment
- Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Office of Trade Competition Commission
- Member of the Academic and Research Committee of the Thailand Institute of Justice
- Member of the Committee on the Executive Course on Thailand and ASEAN in the Global Political Economy of the College of Politics and Governance, King Prajadhipok's Institute.
- Member of the Committee on Economics, Commerce and Industrial Group of the Senate
- Member of the Joint-Committee on WTO of the Thai Chamber of Commerce, the Thai Industries Association and the Thai Bankers' Association
- Member of the Sub-committee on trade in services, the Thai Chamber of Commerce
- Member of the Sub-committee on Free Trade Agreement (FTA), the Thai Chamber of Commerce