



**Message from
His Excellency General Prayut Chan-o-cha,
Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand**

I am very pleased to extend my congratulations to the 12th International Conference on eLearning for Knowledge-Based Society. The Royal Thai Government places high priority on eLearning as a vital component for the development of a digital economy and for supporting our sustainable development initiatives. Only this past October, Thailand was honoured to receive the Global Sustainable Digit Development Award from the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) for our continuous efforts in employing modern telecommunications for development. With this recognition, the Royal Thai Government seeks to further enhance the role of digital technology and eLearning in our leading sustainable development programmes and our economic reform initiatives.

In the many years ahead, eLearning will play a significant role for all global citizens. As we confront many common challenges such as drastic fluctuations in the global economy, droughts and other extreme weather conditions brought on by climate change, not to mention large-scale emergency migration trends, our abilities to master these challenges will depend on how well we are able to understand them. Given this, the potential for eLearning to reach rural communities, inform about rapidly changing events, and educate about the latest technological innovations will be increasingly significant. In this respect, I hope that the International Conference eLearning for Knowledge-Based Society will continue to play this important role.

On this occasion I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the the participants of this Conference and take this opportunity to commend the organisers for another successful event. I wish you all the success in your endeavours.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Prayut Chan-o-cha".

**(Prayut Chan-o-cha)
Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand**