

Special Anniversary & Fair of PADETC
Sunday, 15 December 2013

2013 – is a year of deep memories and challenges for PADETC’s work on sustainable development and civil society promotion in Lao society.

2013 – is a year of celebration of SS’ philosophy on ‘Balanced development for a livable Lao society’

2013 - is a year of transforming youth to be agents for change for sustainable growth with equity and justice.

To express our deep gratitude to all the people who helped us make all these valuable achievements over the years since PADETC’s establishment in 1996, PADETC’s staff, families, and beneficiaries have decided to come together and organize a ‘Special Anniversary and Fair of PADETC’ at our Head Office. Today we want to celebrate PADETC’s achievements, thank our supporters, and also to remember our founder, SS.

In organizing this special event, PADETC’s young volunteers have taken the leadership roles. They worked together to design the event structure, arrange the spiritual ceremony, organize the photo exhibition, select the video films, showcase their activities, design the souvenirs, and facilitate the discussions. Indeed, they are what PADETC has always been working for – building the next generation of leaders for Laos.

A special activity of our Special Anniversary today is to ask you all to participate in helping us complete our “Inspiration Tree” in celebration of PADETC’s work and to remember our Founder, Sombath Somphone. We would like you to express your insights and views by writing them down and putting them up on our “Inspiration Tree”. Let’s join hands together to build a Livable Laos and a better Future.

Proposed event agenda:

Time	Key Activities
Morning session 8:30-12:00	Buddhist Ceremony - Prayers and Baci
	Welcome remarks by PADETC’s Director
	PADETC’s history and testimony
12:00-13:00	Solidarity lunch
Afternoon session 13:30-16:00	PADETC youth/staff activities
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