



## **Editor's Note**

### **Supplementary Issue I : Researches in Agro-Industry at Prince of Songkla University**

Teaching and research in the field of Agro-Industry at Prince of Songkla University (PSU) has been continued for more than 30 years. In the Faculty of Agro-Industry there are 4 departments to handle these activities; Food Technology, Industrial Biotechnology, Material Product Technology and Agro-Industrial Management Technology. Research studies by the faculty staff are aimed at solving local problems in the south of Thailand using multidisciplinary approaches. Fields of investigation include aquatic products and technology, palm oil products and technology, halal foods, nutraceutical and functional foods and material and packaging technology. The Faculty currently has two research centers, the Research Center for Nutraceutical and Functional Foods (RCNFF) and the Palm Oil Products and Technology Research Center (POPTec).

This Supplementary issue is published to commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Agro-Industry at PSU. More than 30 manuscripts have been submitted for publication, and after peer review by outside experts 21 papers have been accepted. We are indebted to the reviewers who gave many valuable comments and suggestions for revision of the manuscripts. Our editorial team members were also devoted to rereading the revised manuscripts and making additional suggestions. The offer to publish this Supplementary issue by the editorial board of the Songklanakarin Journal of Science and Technology is greatly appreciated. I would like also to acknowledge the journal's editorial manager, Mr. Nirun Sumalee, and his colleagues for the preparation of the manuscripts for publication.

We expect that the papers published in this issue will contribute significantly toward the sustainable development of agro-industry not only in the southern Thailand but also in the other areas.

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