

The 14th National Education Conference 2027  
“Future-Ready Education: Empowering Human Potential in the Age of AI”  
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### Rationale

The rapid advancement of digital technologies and Artificial Intelligence (AI) is transforming the ways people learn and work, as well as the competencies needed for the future. Educational institutions therefore play an important role in preparing learners to make effective use of technology while strengthening essential human capabilities, including critical thinking, creativity, problem-solving, adaptability, and the ability to continuously learn and develop themselves. These capabilities are essential for enabling learners to respond effectively to changes in society and the world of work.

Under the theme “Future-Ready Education: Empowering Human Potential in the Age of AI,” education should focus on developing human potential so that individuals are able to learn, adapt, and create value in a context where AI plays an increasingly important role. This includes promoting the appropriate, creative, and responsible use of technology, while also fostering the foundations of lifelong learning, enabling individuals to continuously develop their knowledge, skills, and competencies in response to ongoing changes.

At the same time, Cooperative and Work-Integrated Education (CWIE) serves as an important mechanism for connecting learning with real-world experiences and the needs of enterprises. Through practical experience, learners can strengthen their professional competencies, develop the ability to work effectively with others and with technology, and build the capacity to continuously improve themselves throughout their working lives.

Recognizing the importance of these developments, Prince of Songkla University (PSU) has continuously collaborated with the Association of Professional and Organizational Development Network of Thailand Higher Education (ThaiPOD Network) in organizing academic activities. This conference marks the third consecutive collaboration between the two organizations, with the aim of promoting the exchange of knowledge, experiences, and good practices in educational development and CWIE, while strengthening collaboration among higher education institutions, enterprises, and relevant sectors.

Prince of Songkla University, in collaboration with the ThaiPOD Network, will therefore organize The 14th National Education Conference 2027 under the theme “Future-Ready Education: Empowering Human Potential in the Age of AI.” The target participants include faculty members, educational scholars, educational personnel, and interested students from Prince of Songkla University and

higher education institutions across Thailand, as well as representatives from enterprises and relevant networks.

The conference will provide a platform for the exchange of knowledge, experiences, academic work, and good practices through special lectures, academic presentations, workshops, the exchange of perspectives on the needs of enterprises, and activities that connect higher education institutions, enterprises, and students. These activities are expected to contribute to the advancement of education, the development of human potential, and the preparation of a future-ready workforce capable of continuous learning, adapting, and responding to change in the age of AI.

### **Objectives**

1) To provide a platform for the exchange of knowledge, experiences, academic work, and good practices in education, AI, and CWIE among higher education institutions, enterprises, and relevant networks.

2) To enhance knowledge and understanding of Future-Ready Education and approaches to developing human potential so that individuals can continue to learn, adapt, and develop themselves in the age of AI.

3) To promote the application of AI and teaching and learning approaches that strengthen learners' competencies and prepare them for changes in education and the world of work.

4) To provide opportunities for faculty members, educational scholars, educational personnel, and interested students to present and exchange research, academic work, innovations, and good practices in education and CWIE.

5) To strengthen and expand collaboration among Prince of Songkla University, the ThaiPOD Network, higher education institutions, enterprises, and relevant networks in jointly advancing education and developing a future-ready workforce.

### **Expected Outcomes**

1) Participants will gain greater knowledge, understanding, and broader perspectives on Future-Ready Education and the development of human potential in response to changes in the age of AI.

2) Participants will gain practical ideas and approaches for applying AI and developing learning experiences that encourage learners to continuously learn, adapt, and develop themselves.

3) Stronger connections will be established between education, CWIE, and the needs of the changing world of work, supporting the development of learners and a workforce that are prepared for the future.

4) Knowledge, academic work, innovations, and good practices in education and CWIE will be exchanged and further developed, contributing to the continuous improvement of educational quality.

5) Collaboration among Prince of Songkla University, the ThaiPOD Network, higher education institutions, enterprises, and relevant networks will be strengthened.

6) Prince of Songkla University will strengthen its role as a platform for connecting knowledge and collaboration in education, AI, and CWIE, contributing to the advancement of future-ready education.