

STRENGTHENING NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SERVICES IN LAO PDR (SNGS)

**INVITATION TO SNGS STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**DATE AND TIME:** 6th February 2012, 9:00 AM

**VENUE:** National Geographic Department (NGD), 1st Floor Big Meeting Room

**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS:**

1. Dr Thongchanh Manixay – Vice Minister, Ministry of Home Affairs as the Head of the committee
2. Mr Sisavath Khamsali – Deputy Director of Europe-America Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a member of the committee
3. Mr Bounthanon Souliyavong – Deputy Director General of Polytechnic College, Ministry of Education and Sports as a member of the committee
4. Ms Sisomboun Ounavong – Deputy Director General of Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Planning and Investment as a member of the committee
5. Mr Khamphay Manivong – Deputy Director of Forest Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry as a member of the committee
6. Mr Khampadith Khammounhueng – Deputy Director of Department of Environment, Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment as a member of the committee
7. Mr Bounhome Huengsavath – Deputy Director of land Department, Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment as a member of the committee
8. Mr Antti Inkinen – Counsellor, Head of Development Cooperation, Embassy of Finland as a member of the committee and representative of the Government of Finland
9. Mr Pekka Seppälä – Senior Advisor, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
10. Mr Bhuripan Kalnaovkul – Programme Officer, Embassy of Finland
11. Mr Bouasoth Souvannakoumanne, Director General NGD
12. Dr Kongkham Sourigna, Director SMC
13. Mr Kari Suominen, CTA SNGS
14. Mr Kari Lindfors, Aerial Photography Advisor SNGS
15. Ms Khamvanh Lorkhamyong, Project Coordinator NGD (secretary Lao language)

**PROGRAMME:**

* Opening remarks: Dr ThongchanhManixay – Vice Minister
* Introduction of participants
* Remarks from Development Partner: Mr Antti Inkinen – Counsellor, Head of Development Cooperation, Embassy of Finland
* Introduction to the governmental organization changes in Lao PDR and organization changes in NGD: Mr Bouasoth Souvannakoumane, Director General, NGD
* Presentation of Annual Report 2011: Mr Kari Suominen – CTA, SNGS
* Lunch
* Presentation of Budget 2012: Mr Kari Suominen – CTA, SNGS
* Presentation of Work Plan 2012: Mr Kari Suominen – CTA, SNGS
* Brief presentation on Small Format Digital Aerial Photography: Mr Kari Lindfors – Aerial Photography Advisor, SNGS
* Mid Term Review
* Next STC meeting
* Closing the meeting

Note: Lunch break can be held around 12:00, regardless of programme status then