# Faculty Senate 02/2008

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- 1. August 5, 2008: MOU was signed with the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)
  - (i) The access to SETSMART
  - (ii) Professional Training
  - (iii) SET Corner
  - (iv) The rights to use their trading simulation, and eLearning programmes on personal finance and general investments.

- 2. August 15-17, 2008: The Sixth and Final Meeting of the Organization of Islamic Conference Task Force on SMEs, jointly organized by
  - (i) Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry
  - (ii) Islamic Development Bank
  - (iii) Thai Islamic Trade and Industrial Association, and
  - (iv) Assumption University of Thailand at John XXIII Conference Center, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

- 3. August 25, 2008: AU received the Prime Minister's Export Award 2008 at the Royal Thai Government House for best Service Provider organized by Department of Export Promotion.
- 4. September 18, 2008: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Teay got an award from the APHEIT in the discipline of Social Science.

5. September 20, 2008: AU got an award of appreciation from the Crown Prince on the Youth Day for supporting activities to the youth of Thailand at Youth Center, Din Daeng.

- 6. Student Competitions
  - October 30, 2008: the opening ceremony of the competition for U-ED #4 at John XXIII
  - September 11, 2008: Press Conference for "3rd Thailand High School National Debating Championship" at Learning Auditorium, TK Park, 8th Floor, Central World

- 7. Conferences organized recently at AU
  - PDK: November 7-8, 2008 the 25th anniversary
     of/ PDK (Thailand Chapter) at John XXIII on
     Technology Vs Ethics in the Post-Modern Era
  - FABC: November 17-23, 2008 on "The Catholic
     Priesthood A Challenge of the Modern World

8. On November 15, 2008: Bro President
Emeritus represented AU for the Royal
Cremation Ceremony for HRH Princess
Galyani Vadhana at the crematorium site at
Sanam Luang.

- 9. November 15-18, 2008:
  - AU organized the 3rd Thailand High School National Debating Championship at Suvarnabhumi Campus
  - The first prize was the Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Cup.
- 10. On December 24, 2008: AU Awards for Excellence 2008
  - Induction of "Professor of the Order of St. Gabriel" to Rev. Bro. Simeon Petiteau

### II. Reminders

- 1. Vision & Mission 2000
- Vision for AU
- Vision for the Graduates
- 2. The theme of our Faculty Annual Seminar 2008
- "Back to the basic: Teaching & Learning" May
   21, 2008 John XXIII Conference Center

### II. Reminders

3. Phases of Development (2008-2022)

Phase I: Stabilization (2008-2012)

Phase II: Raise the bar of quality (2013-2017)

Phase III: Attain Excellence (2018-2022)

4. QA

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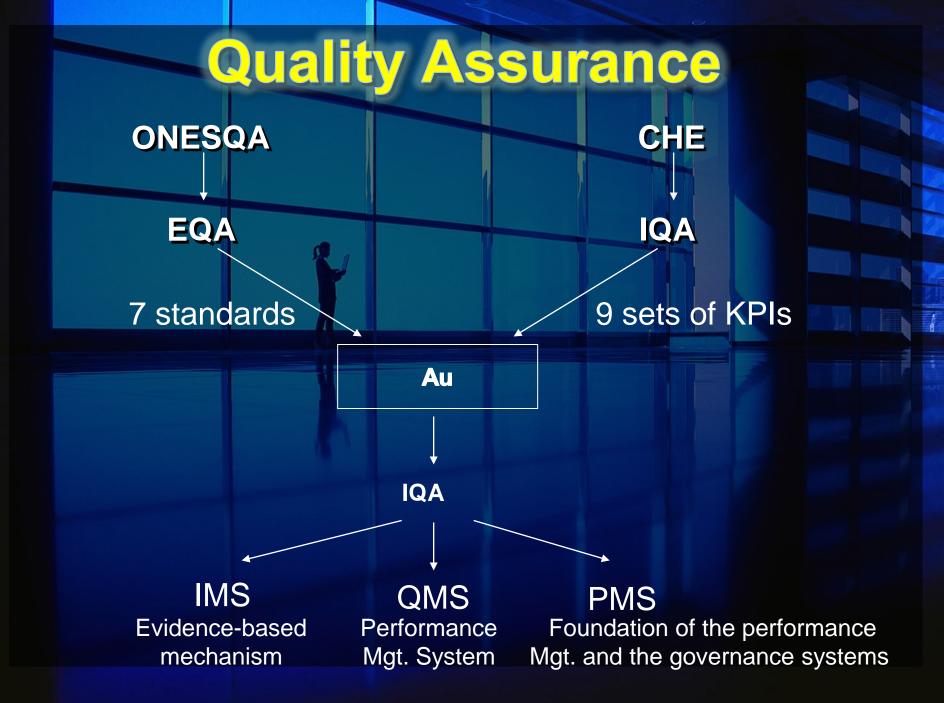
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### III. New Development

#### a) Case of ACC

- Due to the massification of Higher Education, ACC becomes gradually irrelevant.
- In 2010, ACC will be remodeled to be a department under the umbrella of AU in the School of Management
- The emphasis is in the Cooperative Learning
- It will have autonomy in administration but follow the university policies.

#### b) Certificate Program for Golfers

### IV. The World Crisis & The Political Stalemate in Thailand

- Global financial crisis
- Global health issue
- Climate change
- \* Terrorism and disarmament

### V. The 40th Anniversary Celebration

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Celebration: 2009-2010 --- depending on the types of our activities

**Academic exhibition** 

**Inauguration of new buildings** 

**International Conference** 

**Focus Groups Discussion** 

#### VI. Conferences

- 1. ASEACCU Subunit under IFCU
  - What are common to all ...
- 2. UNESCO (Asia-Pacific)
- 3. ACUCA: Christian Inst.

### 16th ASEACCU Conference 2008

Topic: "The Role of Catholic Higher Education in Promoting Civilization of Love and Solidarity as Response to Economical and Cultural Globalization"

At Bandung, Indonesia

On August 28-30, 2008

### Globalization as Opportunity

- increasing connectivity
- integration
- Interdependence in the economic, social, political, cultural, and ecological spheres
- to improve the quality of human life
- etc.

### Globalization as Opportunity

- Gap between the rich and the poor
- Self interest, maximization of profit and efficiency,
- Marginalization and suffering of the people who do not have access to economic
- an exclusion of the weak and the poor in society
- etc.

### Globalization as Opportunity

- The greatest challenge of globalization is the cultural sphere
- Positive impacts to humanity
  - being one big family
  - o one citizenship of the world
- Negative impacts
  - o to improve the dominant culture and its values system to others

### Catholic Social Teaching

- It emphasizes the main ethical principle
  - respect for human dignity
  - o solidarity
  - o preferential option for the poor
  - o common good, etc.
  - o etc.

### Implications

- ☐ Understand globalization
- ☐ Harness the forces of globalization
- ☐ Growing consciousness of
  - interdependence
- □ Solidarity rather than commercialization

## Asia-Pacific Sub-Regional Preparatory Conference for the 2009 World Conference on Higher Education

Topic: "Facing Global and Local Challenges:

the New Dynamics for Higher Education"

At Macao, China On September 24-26, 2008

#### Present Situations of Higher Education

- Challenge & Change
- Accessibility, Quality, Diversity and Equity
- Road from Elite to Massification
- Social Responsibility of Higher Education
- Cross-Boarder Higher Education
- University-Community Partnership
- Research and Innovation in Higher Education

### Present Situations of Higher Education

- Open and Distance Learning
- The Multiple Functions of HEIs
  - Diversity and Disparity through teacher Education
  - Digital Learners and Digital teacher
- Regional Harmonization
- Mobility

### 17th General Assembly & Conference of ACUCA

Topic: "Christian Universities: Identity and Challenges in Today's World"

At Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines On October 16-18, 2008

### Topics

- 1. Leading & Managing the Change
- 2. Forming Professionals for others, Building the Nation
- 3. Responding to the Challenge of Maintaining Identity
- 4. How to maintain balance between pursuing mission and responding to the demands of student body that focuses on the job market

