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INTRODUCTION

Amphone is an expert in community dialogue & movement, community organizing, social protection and social safeguard analysis. His research also focuses on social impact assessment, Child Early and Forced Marriage, Cooperative systems in Laos (Self-Help Groups, Production Group and Cooperative). He has about 12-year experiences of research and lecture at the National University of Laos (NUOL) as well as research collaboration with both national and international development agencies. He has also been assigned as a project coordinator for many important project collaborations such as: Erasmus+ on student and staff mobility program between NUOL and ULB, Belgium; Save Children International (SCI) on child protection and gender-based violence; Sae Maul Undong (new village movement) with a focus on community development and movement; UNFPA on development of social work counseling program of NUOL; and UNICEF on evaluating and improving social work curriculum of NUOL. With his expertise, he has also been a national research consultant for a number of international organizations such as ACIAR (small-scale agricultural development), and Gender Development Association and PLAN international Laos (child early marriage). His recent publication books are (as a collaborator with Pierre Petit) “History, Memory, and Territorial Cults in the Highlands of Laos: the past inside the present” published by Routledge and Social Protection and Social Safeguards published by Thongsangnang Printing Limited, Laos.

Selected PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & EDUCATION

June 2017 to date: A lecturer and the head of the field placement unit in community development. Also, a project coordinator for:

- Student and Staff Mobility Program between the National University of Laos (NUOL), Lao PDR and the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Belgium (2019-2020);
- Gender-Based Violence between the Faculty of Social Sciences and Save Children International;
- Community & rural development based on Samsang and Saemaul Undong directives funded by the Certified Public Tax Accounting Company, Republic of Korea.

1/2014-12/2016: MA (development Practice), the University of Queensland, Australia

1/2011-12/2013: Project Coordinator for “*Funding Support for voluntary activities in rural and community development*” project funded by the Certified Public Tax Accounting Company, Republic of Korea.

2008-2012: Project Coordinator for the “*Capacity building on social work with a focus on children*” project between the Faculty of Social Sciences, National university of Laos and the Save Children Norway

TRAINER & CURRICULUM DEVELOPER

- An experienced trainer for community dialogue and community movement for a number of organizations such as National Agriculture Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI), Savannakhet Provincial Agriculture and Forestry Office and Resettlement and Training Center (RTC);
- An experienced educational curriculum developer for short training courses including in the field of social work, gender-based violence, child protection and community development.

Selected RESEARCH & CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

1. A research consultant for Plan International Laos on the research project collaboration “Informative Studies on Parents/guardians Engagement in CSE Access for Adolescent boys and girls in Northern Laos, August to December 2021.
2. A national consultant on the research project: Child Early Marriage in Paktha district, Bokeo Province, Lao PDR for Gender Development Association (September-December 2020). This project is under the EU funded project “Ethnic Girls Rights Advocacy” Project, (March 2018 – February 2021). Gender Development Association and Plan International Laos supported this research study.
3. A joint research project with National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI) and National Institute for Economic Research (NIER) on the project Stakeholder Analysis of Agricultural Cooperative in Laos: Current status and ways forwards funded by Centre for Development and Environment (CDE) (1-12/2021)
4. A lead consultant for the research project: The 16-Year Experiences of Poverty Reduction Fund in Community Driven Development in Rural Laos under the Mekong-Lancang Cooperation Fund (1-12/2020);
5. A joint research project with National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI) on agricultural cooperative development in rural Laos: Challenges and opportunities funded by Mekong-Lancang Cooperation Fund (1-12/2020);
6. A national consultant on the research project “Understanding Drill Seeding of Rice (DSR) techniques and business models in southern Lao PDR for sustaining adoption funded by ACIAR, Australia (6/2018-9/2019);
7. Data analysis and literature reviewer for the Feminism and Agriculture Transition Employment in Southern Laos project funded by Bern University, Switzerland (1/2017 to 12/2021)
8. Vongsouphanh, A., (2016). Social Impact Assessment Report: The case of Queen’s Wharf Development Project, Australia. Unpublished report, The University of Queensland, Australia;
9. Vongsouphanh, A. (2016). A critical analysis of poverty reduction and local sustainability: The case study of Nam Ha Ecotourism project, Unpublished MA Thesis, The University of Queensland, Australia;
10. Vongsouphanh, A., Whyte, R.S., Salevao, C., & Manfre, K. (2016). An impact evaluation project of the English as a Second Language: the case study of the Romero Centre. Unpublished Evaluating Project, Queensland University, Australia;
11. Vongsouphanh, A. (2015.) Advisory Report on Climate Change: A key challenge to achieve the sustainable Development Goals; Unpublished report, The University

of Queensland, Australia;

Selected PUBLICATIONS

1. Vongsouphanh, A. (Forthcoming). Forestry-Area-Conservation Ecotourism and Local Sustainability: *Namkat Yolapa Ecotourism Project, Oudomxai province*. National University of Laos, Laos;
2. Petit, P in collaboration with Singthong, S., & Vongsouphanh, A. (2019). *The Past inside the Present: History, Memory, and Territorial Cults among the Tai Vat of Laos*. London: Routledge.
3. Phommavong, S., & Vongsouphanh, A. (2017). The fair trade of coffee production cooperative in rural southern Laos in terms of the social and economic development. In IK. Koichi (Ed.), *Impacts of Fair Trade: Considering Economy of Virtue* (pp.67-84), Kindai Univeristy, Japan.
4. Saendouangdeth, D., & Vongsouphanh, A. (2012). *Development and cultural conservation of teenagers. A case study of Visoun and Phanom villages, Louangprabang District and Province*, National University of Laos: Post graduate and Research Office;
5. Petit, P., & Vongsouphanh, A. (2010). *Extended report of field enquiries: 'understanding the migration process from the place of origin' in Houay Yong Village, Aed District, Houaphan province, Laos between 27-29/6/2009, 2-7/6/2010* (English version).

Selected TRAININGS, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES

YEARS	AREAS/ THEMES /TITLES	PLACES
October 2021	A panelist in the 6 th Adolescent Research Day Conference organized by UNFPA	Vientiane, Laos
October 2021	An invited social protection specialist to have comment on the preparation of upgrading lowest labor cost in Laos organized by Lao Federation Union	Vientiane, Laos
March 2021	A panelist in the policy dialogue conference: cooperative movement in Laos organized by Department of Cooperative and rural Development	Vientiane, Laos
November 2020	A panelist in the policy dialogue conference: community driven development in Laos-challenges and opportunities	Vientiane, Laos
March 2020	Training development manual of child protection networks technical workshop (CPN) for MOLSW	Thalat, Laos
February 2020	Attending academic seminar on qualitative research methodologies at the ULB university, Brussels, Belgium	ULB Belgium
December 2019	A presenter on the impact of community driven development on women empowerment in northern Laos	Vientiane, Laos
November 2019	A presenter at the global politic forum under the topic of community development in Laos with a focus on green development concepts	Wuhan China
October 2019	An Organizer for international consultation meeting for feminism and agricultural transition employment in Southern Laos	Vientiane, Laos

May-Sep 2019	A presenter for a number of seminars on social impact assessment and community driven development approaches for RTC in Laos	Vientiane, Laos
December 2018	A presenter on Community Driven Development for the SMU global forum in South Korea	South Korea
March 2018	Workshop on using a tablet for the fieldwork data collection for the FATE project	Vientiane, Laos
March 2018	A facilitator on facilitating development of smallholder agro-forestry	Harddokkeo Center, Laos
Nov-Dec 2017	Curriculum Development Workshop on Social Work for Children and Family	Vientiane, Laos
October 2017	International Forum on fostering a safe and sustainable vegetable	Vientiane, Laos
November 2011	International training on Children in – or at risks of- Requiring Alternative Care	Vientiane, Laos
October	Asia Pacific Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect	Newdelhi, India
August 2011	Workshop on Field Placement Curriculum Development between Thammasath University, Thailand and National University of Laos	Vientiane, Laos
June 2011	Workshop on Social Problems, Social Impact Assessment and Social Safeguard training in Vientiane Capital Laos	Vientiane, Laos
November 2010	“The challenge to help the youth facing the sexual abuse circumstance” training organized by AFESIP and Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare, Laos	Vientiane, Laos
April to May 2009	“International Diploma Course in Community Development” held at the Asian Social Institute	Manila, Philippines

Referees

Dr. Saithong Phommavong

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