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Professional Summary

Policy leader and digital innovation expert with over 20 years of experience in leveraging technology to drive social and economic development in Thailand. Specialized in digital transformation for local governments, inclusive digital economy strategies, and civic technology initiatives. Proven ability to lead multi-sector collaborations, develop data-driven governance platforms, and advocate for digital economy policies at the national level.

Key Skills

- Digital Transformation Strategy for Local Government
- Inclusive Digital Economy and Digital Trade Policy
- Open Data and Civic Technology Implementation
- E-Government Development and Public Service Innovation
- Telemedicine and Digital Health Solutions
- Policy Advocacy and Legislative Processes
- Cross-Sectoral Collaboration and Strategic Planning

Current Positions

2021-Present Policy Director, Progressive Movement Foundation

- Lead initiatives to enhance digital innovation capacity within local governments across Thailand.
- Advisor to the Strategic Committee, Lamphun Provincial Administrative Organization (PAO):
 - Initiated the **City Data Dashboard** project, enabling real-time strategic planning through data analytics.
 - Led the **Telemedicine Services Project** to expand healthcare access to rural populations.
- Advocate for inclusive and sustainable digital economic policies through collaboration with civil society and policymakers.

2019–2020 Member of Parliament, House of Representatives, Thailand

- Served on legislative committees promoting digital innovation and social inclusion.
- Championed initiatives supporting digital trade, e-governance, and open government.

Political and Legislative Experience

- Member of Parliament, Future Forward Party (2019–2020)
- Advisor to the Committee on Transparent and High-Performance Parliament, House of Representatives
- Vice-Chairperson, Ad-hoc Committee on the Draft Electronic Government Administration Act
- Member, Ad-hoc Committee on the Amendment of the Broadcasting and Telecommunications Frequency Allocation Act
- Chairperson, Subcommittee on Information System Development for Thailand's New Parliament Building
- Vice-Chairperson, Subcommittee on Public Participation and Feedback Mechanisms
- Registrar, Future Forward Party

Previous Experience

2018 Party Registrar, Future Forward Party

• Established administrative frameworks for a new political movement emphasizing innovation and democratic reform.

2014–2018 Director, Social Technology Institute, ChangeFusion

• Led technology-for-social-innovation projects, focusing on open data, healthcare, and civic engagement technologies.

2009–2014 Deputy Director, ChangeFusion

- Oversaw ICT projects for social development; managed partnerships with organizations including <u>Google.org</u> and InSTEDD.
- Developed "DoctorMe," Thailand's first mobile application for self-healthcare, reaching over 300,000 users.

2005–2008 ICT Team Leader, Thai Fund Foundation

- Led the Mekong ICT Camp for NGO capacity-building across Southeast Asia.
- Developed legal aid databases and e-commerce platforms for cooperatives.

2000–2004 Manager, Information Technology Institute for Education, Foundation for Children

• Directed e-learning projects and IT development for educational and non-profit sectors.

1997–1999 Information Officer, Campaign for Popular Democracy

• Developed Thailand's first civil society website; organized seminars on political and human rights issues.

1996 Research Secretary, Department of Environmental Planning and Policy

 Coordinated the "Urban Development Plan of Pitsanulok Old Town" project.

Selected Achievements

- Led the development of **DoctorMe**, Thailand's first mobile healthcare application with over 300,000 users.
- Managed the Mobile and Geospatial Technology for Disease Surveillance Project, a collaboration with <u>Google.org</u>, InSTEDD, DTAC, and the Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance (MBDS) Network.
- Spearheaded the development of the **City Data Dashboard**, enhancing strategic planning for over 400,000 residents in Lamphun Province.

International Engagements

- Participant, International Academy for Leadership Program "Local Politic and People Participation" Germany (2022)
- Participant, International Visitor Leadership Program "Social Media for ASEAN Development," U.S. State Department (2013)
- Presenter, Google Big Tent Conference on Open Data for Disaster Response, Japan (2012)
- Participant, International Academy for Leadership Program "Strategic Planning," Germany (2011)
- Presenter and Facilitator in numerous regional seminars on ICT for development and human rights (2004–2013)

Education

- Master of Arts (Information Science), Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, Thailand
- Bachelor of Arts, Naresuan University, Thailand