



NATIONAL THAI STUDIES CENTRE

“Corruption Issues and the Restoration of Democracy in Thailand”

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Venue: Sparke Helmore Lecture Theatre 1

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Is it an inspirational fairytale of Good triumphing over Evil, or is it confirmation of the ultimate, bitterest truth that the two are always virtual collaborators? Democracy has supposedly returned, but has Corruption been put away for good? Who will be strengthened in the current scheme of things? Is Democracy gaining the upper hand, or is Corruption laughing his head off?

Tulasit Taptim, *The Nation*, 23 December 2007.

General elections on 23 December 2007 restored civilian government in Thailand- but did they restore democracy? In this seminar Professor Medhi Krongkaw will give his opinion.

Professor Medhi Krongkaew has been a National Counter Corruption Commissioner for the past two years. He formerly taught at the National Institute of Development Administration and Thammasat University, and is one of Thailand’s most respected economists. He was also a Senior Fellow in the Division of Economics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, ANU, and has written dozens of articles on a wide range of Thai economic issues, with a particular focus on poverty.

The National Thai Studies Centre extends a warm welcome to all.

