

**Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich, Chairman of Bangkok Bank China,
Awarded Outstanding Contributors for Promoting
ASEAN-China Economic and Trade Cooperation**



Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich

Chairman of Bangkok Bank (China) Company Limited

Co-hosted by China-ASEAN Business Council and ASEAN Committee Beijing, “2018 China-ASEAN Celebrating New Year and Enhancing Cooperation Activity” was held in Beijing on January 23, 2018. Award ceremony for 2017 “Successful Chinese Enterprises Entering ASEAN” and “Outstanding Contributors for Promoting ASEAN-China Economic and Trade Cooperation” was also held during the activity. Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich, Chairman of Bangkok Bank (China) Company Limited (“Bangkok Bank China”) was honored with “Outstanding Contributors for Promoting ASEAN-China Economic and Trade Cooperation Award” for his contributions and active work of promoting economic and trade

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cooperation between China and ASEAN countries over the years. It is the first time for China-ASEAN Business Council to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions to bilateral economic and trade cooperation. More than 300 people attended the event, including Mr. Ge Zhirong, Counselor of the State Council of China, H.E.Mr.Piriya Khempon, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Thailand to China, ASEAN Embassies in China and their representatives, leaders of the industry chamber of commerce and association, well-known entrepreneurs and media representatives. Mr. Suwatchai Songwanich, Chief Executive Officer of Bangkok Bank China attended the award ceremony and received the trophy on behalf of Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich.



Mr. Suwatchai Songwanich, CEO of Bangkok Bank China (third right) with co-recipients of the award on stage

Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich has led the team to actively develop the Chinese market. In 2009, Bangkok Bank China became the first Thai bank with a local subsidiary in China, and after that, it became the first Thai bank to establish branch in Chongqing, West China and sub-branch in Shanghai Free Trade Zone successively.



Trophy of “Outstanding Contributors for Promoting ASEAN-China Economic and Trade Cooperation Award”

In recent years, Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich put much emphasis in promoting the “One Belt One Road” initiative. Taking advantage of the network in ASEAN regions and expertise of Bangkok Bank, Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich has led the team to provide comprehensive financial services and support to well-known Chinese enterprises such as Shanghai Automotive Industry Corporation (SAIC) and China UnionPay for participating in international trade and to promote RMB internationalization. In addition, as Chairman of Thailand Infrastructure Construction and Foreign Investment Committee and Vice President of China Overseas Chinese Entrepreneurs Association, Mr. Chartsiri Sophonpanich has been actively promoted the cooperation between the governments and enterprises of the two countries, aiming at building bridges for transnational investment and trade between China and Thailand so as to help more Chinese enterprises go to the world.

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