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Dear Sirs,

As the Ambassador of Finland in Thailand, it gives me great pleasure to commend the Finnish study abroad company Asia Exchange (AE) for its work in higher education in Thailand. Hundreds of Finnish and European students have benefited from the opportunities provided by AE. They have gained valuable experiences, skills and contacts via studying in AE's partner institutions in both Bangkok and Phuket.

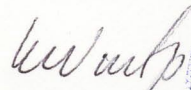
AE was founded in 2007 in Finland and has increased the number of students studying in Asia every year. As the ambassador, I am very pleased to see the growing number of successful exchanges to Thailand. In-depth knowledge on Asia, acquired through living and studying in Thailand, is an asset that I would encourage students to harness.

Asia Exchange has proved itself as a legitimate, accountable and transparent study abroad organization. Through the channels it has opened, it has helped our universities in propelling international student exchanges. I am appreciative of the fact that as a small Finnish company has accomplished so much through initiative and creativeness. It has shown a high level of execution that is visible throughout its services, partner universities, academic standards and its ethical stand.

Knowledge, understanding and open-mindedness are the tools not only every striving diplomat but also every young person needs. Studying abroad and seizing all opportunities for learning, creative thinking and new skills during the semester will bring qualified and necessary people to the job markets, something we will always need and value.

I am happy to both endorse Asia Exchange and advocate the work it does in advancing cooperation between universities home and abroad. I will gladly take part in events that promote international academic exchanges and partnerships by, for example, being present when signing collaborative contracts.

Yours sincerely,

  
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Ambassador of Finland

