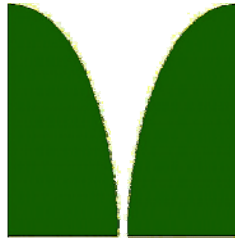


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DICTIONARY RESEARCH CENTRE SEMINAR

- Date:** Friday, 27 April
Time: 6-7.15 pm
Location: W5C 221
Speaker: Jirapa Vitayapirak, Associate Professor in the Department of Languages King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang, THAILAND
Topic: **The Uses of a Specialized Corpus in Technical Dictionary Making and in Dictionary Evaluation**

This presentation argues that technical dictionary compilation should be implemented by empirical investigation of technical terms in a specialized corpus, as a basis for specific decision. Drawing upon experimental work done at King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang, Thailand, this paper shows how a specialized corpus can be used in technical dictionary design, and evaluation. The starting point is a corpus of food technology from the target communicative situation. This corpus-based text-processing can provide criteria for the selection of headwords for the food technology dictionary, and authentic contextualization of these items in the examples of usage. The corpus findings in terms of word frequencies, corpus evidence on word combinations and typical usage from the concordance are used to identify the technical terms and to develop entries for a bilingual learners' dictionary of food technology.

All staff and students welcome.