

Speaker's Biography

<p>TITLE, FULL NAME</p>	<p>SUNUNTAR SETBOONSARNG, <i>SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW</i></p>	
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<p>Career summary</p>	<p>Sununtar Setboonsarng holds a PhD in Agriculture and Resources Economics (University of Hawaii) an MA in International Development Economics (Yale University), an MS in Agriculture and Resources Economics (University of Hawaii), and a BSc. degree in Botany (Chulalongkorn University). She also completed an Environmental Economics and Policy Analysis Program at Harvard Institute of International Development.</p> <p>Her work at ADBI focuses on poverty reduction (organic agriculture and the Millennium Development Goals(MDGs), private sector development (cross-border contract farming of safe food), rural and microfinance, and regional cooperation. In particular, her works on organic agriculture focus on generating empirical evidence how organic agriculture contribute to improved income, health, environment, genetic resource conservation, and climate change. The research result is to be used as basis for policy formulation to support organic agriculture. Prior to joining ADB/ADBI, she worked extensively in Viet Nam, Cambodia, Thailand, Lao PDR, PRC, and other Asian countries as staff of the Mekong River Commission (MRC) in Cambodia, the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand, and the East-West Center in Hawaii.</p>	