

Curriculum Vitae

Mr. Sokhem Khoem (Cambodian, 1979) currently, is the localization manager of the **USAID-funded SPICE** program, implemented by the Open Institute, facilitates social and business innovation using communications technology and improves communications in Khmer via mobile devices. The purpose of the program is to build on partnerships between technology-oriented civil society organizations (CSOs) and private sector entities to utilize existing technologies to promote and deliver a greater diversity of information to the public, improve communications in Khmer using mobile devices, and increase the capacity of CSOs to use social media for development purposes.

In this program, he is in charge of planning and coordinating all activities of the localization project, ensuring the quality of localization and glossary collection works, participating in the improvement and localization to Khmer of Open Source Software, ensuring the translation from English to Khmer messages included in different Open Source computer programs, as well as translating of documentations for those programs and develop training materials. He also ensures the correct localization of multimedia applications and manual for the education system. He has also been trained and has produced training materials of the use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in Khmer and has used them to train CSO and government staff.

In 2004-2011, He also is a localization coordinator, implemented of Khmer Software Initiative Project of the Open Institute- which is mainly involving in planning and coordinating all activities of the localization project, ensuring the quality of localization and glossary collection works, participating in the improvement and localization to Khmer of Open Source Software, ensuring the translation from English to Khmer messages included in different Open Source computer programs such as office suite (Open Office, LibreOffice), operating system (openSUSE, Ubuntu), desktop environment (KDE, GNOME), content management system (Moodle, Drupal), web browser (Firefox), e-mail client (Thunderbird) and translating of documentations for those programs and develop training materials and also ensuring the correct localization of multimedia applications and manual for education system. Beside this responsibilities, he translates some kinds of technological and pedagogical documentations.

During that time, he also got many short-course training scholarship relevant to his job such as Geographic Information System (GIS) (2011), Monitoring and Evaluation (2011), Introduction to gender issues (2011), Investigation skill on sexual abuse and children rights (2008), Linux Professional Institute (LPI) (2005) and Web design and Development (2005).

He participates in the national and international workshops/conferences such as Mozcamp Asia, Singapore 2012, Mozilla/Aspiration Open Source Conference in Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2011, 6th OpenOffice.org Conference in Beijing, China 2008, the 8th Asia Open Source Software Symposium in Bali, Indonesia 2007, the K Desktop Environment (KDE) Developers and Users conference in Glasgow,

Scotland 2007, and the K Desktop Environment (KDE) Developers and Users conference in Dublin, Ireland 2006.

He speaks fluently Khmer and English. He graduates a bachelor's degree of computer science from the Royal University of Phnom Penh (2003, Cambodia) and graduates master degree in development management from the Norton University (2011, Cambodia).