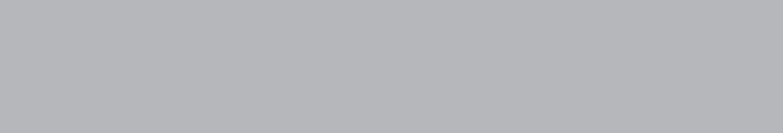


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# Preface

In acknowledgement of the significance of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) as a key factor for the development of agribusiness particularly in rural areas. This book, Rural Informatics for ASEAN Agribusiness Transformation, is the collection of extensive research in the field of Technology Management.

This book illustrates how technology strategies work in the agricultural sector. For example, Information Communication Technology (ICT) does not just provide information to people in agribusiness. It also helps people in agribusiness connect with one another. Instead of applying latest technology to agricultures supply chains, this book begins by explaining the structure of agricultural business in the ASEAN region. Then, provide examples of how Information Communication Technology (ICT) is a mechanism that create impact on how farmers, collectors, middlemen, exporters, government officials working together in exchange data, information on price, production volume, quality, harvest time, buyers, and etc. As a result, agricultural output can be more profitable by lowering production and logistics costs, better planning, and higher quality goods.

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is the main technology discussed in this book in order to illustrate the right point of view about how technology should be used effectively. Many times, people put too much emphasize on technology than how it should be used. Multiple examples in the following chapters demonstrate how we can get the most from the technology and how technologies can help those in the agricultural supply chain maximize their ability to improve agricultural production process for getting the best results.







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Information Communication Technology (ICT) does not just provide information to people in agribusiness. ICT is a mechanism that creates impact on how stakeholders in agricultural supply chain are working together.

This book points out how technology should be used effectively. Multiple examples in ASEAN countries demonstrate how we can get the most from the technology and how technologies can help those in the agricultural supply chain maximize their ability to improve agricultural production process for getting the best results.

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