## Ms. Areewan Haorangsi Secretary General of the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT)



Ms. Areewan Haorangsi has taken up her post as Secretary General of the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT) on 9 February 2015. Before her election as Secretary General, Ms. Haorangsi served as the Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT), Thailand. Her long tenure with MICT included responsibilities for a variety of portfolios, i.e. Principal Adviser for Foreign Affairs, Executive Director of Policy and Strategy Bureau, Acting Principal Adviser for Communications, and Executive Director of International Affairs Bureau. Ms.

Haorangsi also had extensive international experience including her postings as Chairperson of ASEAN Telecommunication and IT Services Sectoral Working Group under the ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Services, Chairperson of the Working Group on Economic Transformation, People Empowerment & Engagement, Innovation and Human Capital Development under the ASEAN Telecommunication and IT Senior Officials' Meeting, and Head of Thai Delegation to the APEC Telecommunications and Information Working Group as well as to Conferences, Assemblies and Meetings of International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

In 2014, Ms. Haorangsi was elected Secretary General of the APT at the 13th Session of the General Assembly of the APT held in Yangon, Myanmar. As Secretary General of the APT, Ms. Haorangsi has set a forward-looking vision in leading the APT towards the forefront of telecommunication and ICT development in the Asia-Pacific region and bringing in synergy among the stakeholders to maximize the benefits of ICT to the people.