



# IHY Activities in Thailand

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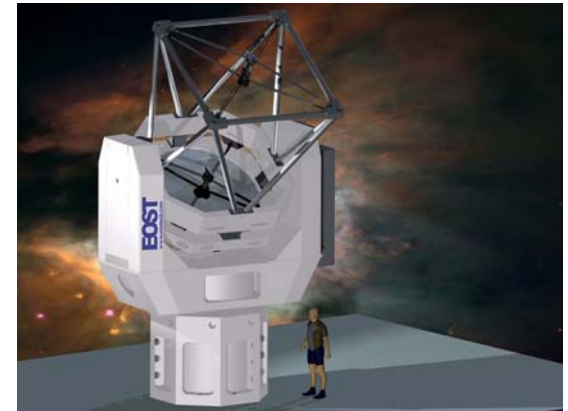
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# National Astronomical Research Institute of Thailand (NARIT)



- Astronomy development in Thailand has improved significantly during the last few years.
- The government has approved the establishment of the National Astronomical Research Institute of Thailand (NARIT).

**2.4 m Optical Telescope** - National Observatory at the summit of Doi Inthanon National Park, 2,550 m above the sea level in Chiang Mai.

# Thailand IHY Science and Outreach Events

**2006**

**December**

- Thai IHY website and IHY Logo in Thai language

<http://www.narit.or.th/ihy2007>

- Monthly AstroRadio Show – advertising IHY Programme
- Distributing Outreach Materials (e.g. AstroCalendar 2007, featuring the Sun)



The image shows a banner for the International Heliophysical Year 2007 (IHY 2007) and a screenshot of the Thai website. The banner features a sun on the left and a blue abstract graphic on the right, with the text "International Heliophysical Year 2007" and "IHY 2007" in English, and "ปีสุริยฟิสิกส์สากล" in Thai. The website screenshot includes the IHY 2007 logo, the Thai text "กิตติมภ์านแรก" (First Honor), and the Thai text "ขอต้อนรับเข้าสู่เว็บไซต์ ปีสุริยฟิสิกส์สากล ของประเทศไทย" (Welcome to the website of the International Heliophysical Year 2007 of Thailand). It also mentions the Thai Space Science Center and the Thai Space Agency.

# Thailand IHY Science and Outreach Events

**2007**

**9-13 January**

Science Boulevard & National Children Day 2007, Bangkok,

**13 January**

National Children Day 2007, NARIT-AstroFun, Chiang Mai,

Exhibitions, hands-on activities and observations of the Sun



# IHY Science and Outreach Events

## 2007

- **12-23 February**  
Exhibitions at the 44th Session of the UN-STSC and IHY Official IHY Opening Ceremony, Vienna
- **19 March**  
Partial Solar Eclipse, nationwide eclipse observations and Radio/TV Interviews
- **22-24 March**  
Thai National Astronomy Meeting 2007: TNAM2007  
IHY Science National Meeting  
The 1st South-East Asian Astronomical Network Meeting
- **30 July - 3 August**  
The 4th Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS) Meeting, Bangkok

# Highlight - IHY Outreach Events

**2007**

- **11-19 August**

**National Science Week** – Featuring IHY, Bangkok and regional science centers ( > 300,000 students )

- **4-10 October**

**World Space Week**, Bangkok and Chiang Mai



# IHY Science and Outreach Events

- 2008
- March  
Thai National Astronomy Meeting 2008: TNAM2008
- 5-9 May  
The 8th Pacific Rim Conference on Stellar Astrophysics (PRCSA2008),  
Phuket, Special Sessions on IHY Science???  
[www.narit.or.th/prcsa2008](http://www.narit.or.th/prcsa2008)
- 4-10 October  
World Space Week
- 2009 - International Year of Astronomy



Joining IHY will not help only to promote scientific awareness and understanding for the public, but also to promote the astronomical research and collaborations in the national and international levels.