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Yesterday (31st October 2023), during the 52nd SGATAR Annual Meeting, Thailand was elected as the Chair of SGATAR, succeeding Malaysia, and will serve in this capacity one year from now.

Dr.Kulaya Tantitemit, the Director-General of the Comptroller General's Department acting Director-General of the Revenue Department and the Head of Thai Delegation, expressed gratitude to SGATAR members for entrusting Thailand with the Chairmanship. She also extended congratulations to Malaysia for successfully hosting the 51st SGATAR Annual Meeting and commended the SGATAR Taskforce for their dedicated efforts in ensuring the success of the the SGATAR Annual Meeting.

Dr.Kulaya also emphasised the importance of SGATAR as a platform for open discussions, exchange of best practices, and identification of common challenges among tax administrations as well as collaboration with international organisations to advance tax administration in the Asia-Pacific region. In her role as Chair, Thailand will fully commit to achieving this SGATAR's visionary mission.

The Chair of SGATAR appointed Mr.Nirandara Prachuabmoh from Thailand to act as the Secretary-General for the SGATAR Annual Meeting this year.

SGATAR was established in 1970 as an annual forum for tax administrators to enhance cooperation among tax administrations, improve tax administration, and discuss issues related to tax administration. At present, there are 18 member jurisdictions. This year marks the 6th time Thailand has hosted the SGATAR Annual Meeting. There are over 150 participants, including executives and officials from tax administrations in 18 member jurisdictions, as well as representatives from various international organisations.
