

# KOUNILA KEO

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## EDUCATION

### **National University of Singapore**

#### **Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy**

**Singapore**

2014 – May 2016 (expected)

- Semester 1 & 2: International Relations Theories, International Political Economy. Policy Identification & Analysis, Policy Challenges, Media & Public Policy
- Semester 3: Behavioural Economics, Money & Banking, American Foreign Policy on Asia, American Soft Power

### **Royal University of Phnom Penh (DMC)**

**Phnom Penh**

Bachelor's Degree in Media & Communication (3.67 - CGPA)

2006 – 2010

- Print and Broadcast Media, Public Relations and Mass Communications, Media Management, Marketing and Advertising, Political Science

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Phnom Penh Post**

#### **Freelance Journalist**

**Phnom Penh**

2008 – Present

- The Phnom Penh Post (periodically)
- Previously on INDEPENDENT UK (Current), Christian Science Monitor, IRIN UN news agency, ABC Australia Unleashed, Los Angeles Times, [www.scidev.net](http://www.scidev.net), UNICEF Cambodia, Australian Red Cross, Global Voices Online, University World News, Associated Press, Al Jazeera

### **Diakonia**

#### **Development Consultant**

**Phnom Penh**

August 15-22, 2015

- Facilitated a one-week seminar on digital security for Diakonia
- Engaged regional participants in the discussions on online trends and challenges of Internet Freedom

### **Development Innovations/USAID**

#### **Communications Specialist**

**Phnom Penh**

Mar to July 2014

- Led all project Communications, design and implement a strategic communications strategy for the technology project called DI

### **RiverOrchid Notch, now Havas RiverOrchid**

#### **Digital Account Manager/Strategist**

**Phnom Penh**

Mar/2013- Mar/2014

### **Civil Rights Defenders**

#### **Translator/Facilitator of Digital Security Workshop**

**Phnom Penh**

2013/2014

#### **New Media Trainer**

**Cambodia**

2007—2014

- Trained people on using social media responsibly in Cambodia at the Department of

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- Media & Communication (RUPP), the Meta House and other universities
- Travelled to Russia, Argentina, and a few other countries to share experience about New Media and News Writing

## **Asian International Justice Initiative**

Cambodian Court Monitor

**Phnom Penh**

April 2012 – June 2012

- Wrote transcripts of the proceedings at the Tribunal
- Created scripts for TV series on the tribunal for AIJI's Production House
- Formulated weekly reports on legal issues arising in the court proceedings
- Curated the organization's social media and Internet presence

## **BBC Media Action (Loy9.com)**

Digital Manager

**Phnom Penh**

Nov 2011 – Mar 2012

- Developed content strategy for the Loy9.com project website
- Curated social media channels and implemented Loy9 content delivery strategy
- Wrote analytical reports on use of mobile technology for outreach

## **Agence France Presse**

Reporter

**Phnom Penh**

Sept 2008 – Feb 2011

## **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

- Kon Khmer Koun Khmer Film Collective, 2009 - Present
- President of Media & Beyond Group (Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy/NUS)
- Organized Blogger Festival Event - 2012
- Co-organized Roundtable discussion on "Internet Freedom" 2011

## **FELLOWSHIPS/TRAININGS**

- ASEAN Reporting Course by GIZ (Jakarta, 2012)
- PRB: Women's Edition 2010 (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 2011; Washington DC, 2012)
- Multimedia & Online Journalism, IJJ/GIZ (Berlin, Hamburg, Feb to April 2011)
- GIZ: Khmer Rouge Tribunal Fellowship (Berlin, Nuremberg, Munich, 2010)
- Online Journalism & Web 2.0 by DW Akademie (Bonn, Germany, Nov – Dec 2009)

## **CONFERENCES**

- Participated in Reporting Migration Conference, August 2015 in Singapore
- Participated in Stockholm Internet Freedom (SIF) 2015 & 2013; organized by SIDA
- Participated in Asia-Africa Conference (Bandung & Jakarta, April, 2015)
- Spoke at UN Women Conference – Asia & Pacific (Bangkok, November 2014)
- Co-organized FossAsia-Open Source conference, Phnom Penh/Cambodia, Jan 2014
- Invited Guest of Government of India to Tawang Cultural Festival, Oct 2013
- Spoke at ASEAN Blog Festival 2013 (Solo, Indonesia, May 2013)
- Spoke at Malaysia Social Media Work 2013 and 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Worked as Blogger-in-chief at International Youth Forum Seliger 12/13, Tverskaya/Russia
- Organized Siem Reap Blogging Festival, Oct 2012
- Participated in Global Media Forum in Bonn, Germany, June 2012
- Spoke at Wikimedia Argentina: WikiWomenCamp (Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 2012)
- Joined COHRED: Global Health Forum/Forum2012, Cape Town/South Africa, April 2012
- Spoke at Asia Pacific ICT Summit in Singapore, March 2012
- Spoke at ON|OFF event, Jakarta, Indonesia, Dec 2011
- Spoke at ASEAN Blog Conference in Bali, Indonesia, November 2011
- Selected as one of the 10 bloggers to report for 7<sup>th</sup> UNESCO Youth Forum in Paris, Sept

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2011

- Attended World Conference of Science Journalists in Doha, Qatar, July 2011
- Attended ASEAN Blogging Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, April 2011
- Attended Blogfest Asia, Penang, Malaysia, Sept 2010