

Study Tour on Regional Management and Regional Economic Development in Germany

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Mr. Or Thy and Mr. Kin Mengse, CEDAC staff members, attended the study tour on Regional Management and Regional Economic Development in Feldafing and surrounding districts of Bavaria, Germany. The study tour was organized by InWent and GTZ. The objectives of the study tour were to observe and analyze best practices in regional management in Germany and to consider the transfer of insights gained to rural areas in Cambodia. There were 29 participants (8 women) from different institutions, including the Council of the Ministers; CEDAC; Cambodian Education and Waste Management Organization (COMPED); District Authorities in Siem Reap (Kralanh, Angkor Chum, Pouk, Sot Nikum, and Banteay Srei Districts); Farmer Association in Varin District; GTZ; and Department of Agriculture and Community Development (APSARA Authority).

The participants have learned a lot about the experiences of the Vegetable Grower Association in Munich; Bavarian State Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Forestry; Solidarity Association (UNSER LAND of Oberland); Glentleiten Open Air Museum; Fedafing Rathaus; Ottobeuren Rathaus, Bio-Diary farm of Family Lerf, Village Initiative "Olarzried Aktiv, Neumarkt District Administration; Meat Processing Enterprise in Neumarkt District; Regina GmbH-Regional Management Agency in Neumarkt District; Renewable Energy Project in Neumarkt District; Institute for Village Renewal and Land Consolidation in Berching; Value Chains in the Organic Farm (Plankstellen Monastery); Regional Economic Development in Kelhem District; and Maschinenring Association.

The trip was successfully completed, and participants have brought the most important key lessons learned about sustainable regional economic, environmental and socio-cultural promotion to their home country and respective organizations as well as communities.

