It was a great honour for the participants in the 6th Asia-Oceania Forum for Synchrotron Radiation Research conference that Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn graciously presided over the opening ceremony of the conference and visited the poster exhibition of the AOFSRR. The AOFSRR Council recognises and applauds the interest of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn in science and technology and, in particular, her significant contributions to the development of synchrotron science in Thailand.

In addition the AOFSRR Council agreed the following points:

1. The AOFSRR will encourage international cooperation and assistance to enable the restoration/development of industrial and scientific activity after disasters such as catastrophic floods, earthquakes, etc. via promoting special access to both Storage Ring Synchrotron Light Source facilities and X-ray Free Electron Laser facilities in the Asia Oceania area.

2. The AOFSRR recognizes the unique pivotal position of the SLRI (Thailand) to cultivate the Synchrotron Radiation Research community in ASEAN and to lead the AOFSRR-ASEAN program for SR science, where synchrotron facilities do not exist.

3. The AOFSRR will continue to facilitate international access to and utilization of the Synchrotron Radiation Research facilities in the Asia Oceania region through networking of the region’s synchrotron user communities.

4. The AOFSRR will develop a program using advanced Synchrotron Radiation technical experts and scientists to nurture the continued development of Synchrotron Radiation Research in the Asia Oceania region by a systematic sharing of the Cheiron School activities among all the region’s Synchrotron Radiation facilities with the core Cheiron School based at SPring-8.

5. In addition to its primary focus on the Asia Oceania region, the AOFSRR will facilitate inter-regional cooperation with North America, Europe and the Middle East (SESAME).
MoU Signing

Representatives of the Members & the Associate Members

8th August 2012, Bangkok

Korea  Japan  Thailand  China  Taiwan  Singapore  Malaysia  Vietnam  Australia