

**International Webinar on “Lifelong Learning for
Technical Education in the Digital Era”
02 November 2023, 9:00-11:00 am (Bangkok Time)**



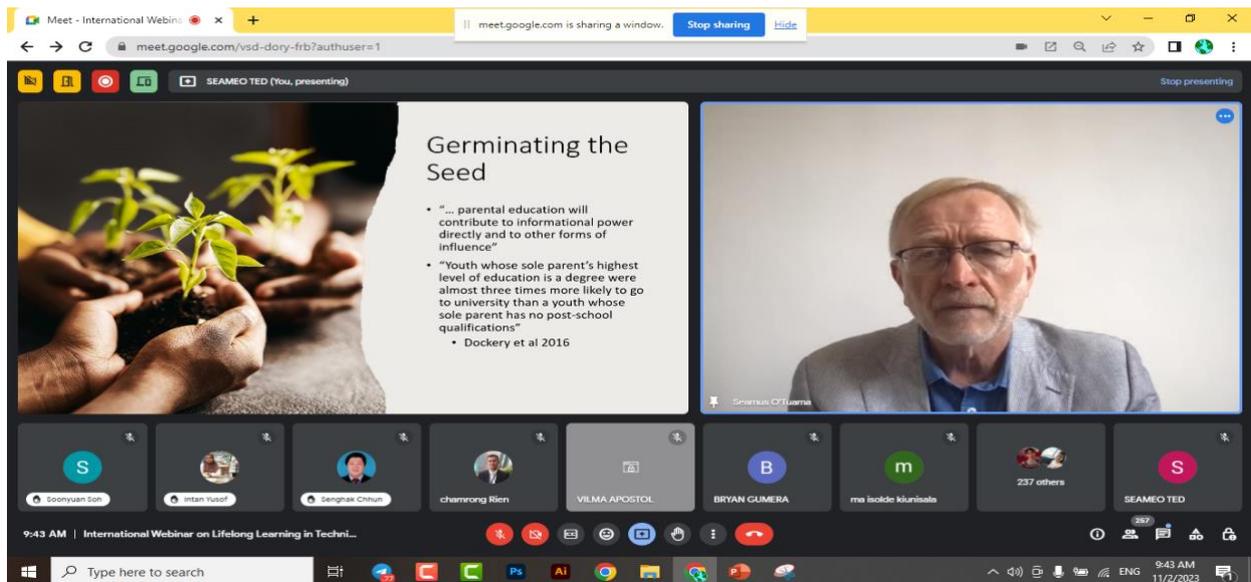
(Photo: Webinar Participants)

SEAMEO TED, in collaboration with University College Cork, Ireland, co-organized an International Webinar on **Lifelong Learning for Technical Education in the Digital Era** on November 2, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM (Bangkok Time). The Webinar aimed to enhance the learning and sharing culture among subject matter experts (SMEs) and participants on the Perspectives of Lifelong Learning for Technical Education. **263 participants** who are school principals/management, instructors/teachers and students from different vocational and technical high schools/ colleges in Southeast Asia such as Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, the Philippines and Malaysia joined the webinar. The webinar was moderated by Mr. Rien Chamrong, Vice Head of Public Relations and Partnership, SEAMEO TED. Opening remarks was delivered by **Mr. Khat Prumsochetra**, Deputy Director of SEAMEO TED. He expressed his appreciation and gratitude to a keynote speaker and participants who always support and engage with SEAMEO TED. He raised that in order to facilitate lifelong learning in technical education, it is important for educators and training providers to offer flexible and accessible learning opportunities through online courses, webinars, and virtual workshops to provide individuals with an opportunity to learn

at their own paces. He emphasized the important of expected outcomes of the webinar to participants.

A keynote speaker **Prof. Dr Séamus Ó Tuama**, Director of adult continuing education (ACE) at University College Cork, Ireland, highlighted the perspectives of Lifelong Learning for Technical Education in a Digital Era: Scaffolding via Five Learning Capitals which are the hot topic to be learned by participants such as Seed Capital-Germinating, Identity Capital-Identity &Autonomy, Cultural Capital-Value in Cultural Capital, Social Capital and Human Capital. He also stressed on Artificial Intelligence (AI), Robotics, Pace of Technological Change-War & Peace, Climate Crisis letting no one behind in a digital age. He also highlighted what experts say for industrial revolutions regarding the technology which is good for our consideration for career and educational changes. He mentioned ChatGPT- Tech Jobs in 2023, Tech Jobs in next 5 years and Tech Jobs 2043 which are important for individuals seeking a career in Tech to stay adaptable, continuously learn, and be ready to embrace emerging technologies and industries.

Participants actively engaged in a Q&A session which more than ten questions and concerns were raised to the speaker. Prof. Dr Séamus Ó Tuama precisely elaborated and responded to all of the participants' questions and concerns in details. A moderator wrapped up takeaway messages from the presentation and explanation from the keynote speaker at the end of the webinar.



(A keynote Speaker Prof. Dr Séamus Ó Tuama)