

# Kosal Nith

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Research Interests

Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics, Economic Growth, and Economic Uncertainty

### Education

07/2019 B.A. Economics and Management, Lumière University Lyon 2  
(joint Royal University of Law and Economics)

### Primary Appointments

07/2023– **Research Associate**, Cambodia Development Resource Institute  
01/2021– Junior Research Fellow, Future Forum

### Other Appointments

01/2024– **Coordinator** at the East Asia Working Group, Young Scholar Initiative  
07/2020– Co-Funder, Sethakech, a Facebook page that discusses about economics and policy  
02/2020– Member, Young Scholars Initiative, Institute for New Economic Thinking  
10/2019– Member, Elsevier Advisory Panel, Elsevier  
12/2017– Executive Committee Member, Chea Sim Reak Chey High School Alumni Association

### Past Appointments

01/2022–12/2022 Program Coordinator, Future Forum  
01/2020–12/2020 Young Research Fellow, Future Forum  
07/2018–12/2019 Country Leadership Trainer, Habitat for Humanity Cambodia  
10/2016–09/2019 Student Representative, Royal University of Law and Economics  
07–10/2018 Program Assistant Intern, Youth Resource Development Program  
02–04/2018 Market Research, Royal University of Law and Economics  
07–12/2017 Project Coordinator, Youth Resource Development Program  
06–09/2017 Volunteer, Market Research, Koonsoor Kampuchea Training Academy  
01–03/2017 Volunteer, International Francophone Day, Royal University of Law and Economics  
01–03/2017 Volunteer, Campaign to End Violence Against Women, ActionAid Cambodia  
06–10/2016 Volunteer, Roadmap to University Success V, Our Own Projects  
03–04/2016 Volunteer, Angkor Sankranta, Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia

### Selected Honors and Awards

Travel Grant, Center for Khmer Studies, November 2023  
Travel Grant, Future Forum, May 2022  
Travel Grant, Young Scholars Initiative, April 2022  
First Prize in Article Award Competition, Cambodia Development Center, June 2020  
Best Paper Award, National Bank of Cambodia (with Ly Singhong), December 2018  
Ba Phnom Outstanding Student in Literature, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, March 2015

## Other Publications

“Mapping Study: Youth and Civil Society in Urban Cambodia,” Phnom Penh: Future Forum, October 2022.

“Household Saving and Debt”(with Summer-Solstice Thomas), Section 4, in *Revisiting the Pandemic: Rapid Survey on the Impact of Covid-19 on MSMEs in the Tourism Sector and Households in Cambodia*, Phnom Penh: The Asia Foundation, June 2021, pp.50–54.

“Rapport de Stage : Assistant de Programme de l’Engagement des Jeunes pour l’Action Sociale,” *Royal University of Law and Economics*, January 2019.

“Reinvigorating Cambodian Agriculture: Transforming from Extensive to Intensive Agriculture” (with Ly Singhong), *The National Bank of Cambodia*, 2018.

## Chapters in Books

“Food Science in Cambodia,” Chapter 13, in Michael Renfrew (ed.), *Micro-Policy Intervention: Contemporary Policy Discussion in Cambodia*, Phnom Penh: Future Forum, 2021, pp. 115–129.

## Working Papers

“Cambodian Cassava and COVID-19: An Analysis of Production, Productivity and Gender,” with Kanayama Yuki, December 2023.

“Monetary Policy and Household Income Distribution: An Empirical Analysis from Cambodia,” December 2021.

“Government Ownership of Banks: Diversifying of Potential Products and Factors to Subsidize Agriculture,” Forthcoming at *the Journal of Future Cambodia*, expected in 2023.

## Policy Briefs

“Monetary Policy: How Does It Become a Tool to Support Poor Households Afford to Purchase an Affordable House?” First draft on November 2022.

“How should Cambodia Prepare for the Fourth Industrial Revolution?” *Essay Contest 2019*, Cambodia Development Center, May 2020.

## Work in Progress

“Positioning Cambodia in the Global Economy with Respect to Foreign Direct Investment” with Simona Iammarino and Sumontheany Muth

## Op-Ed Articles

“Ascending the Development Ladder in Cambodia: Progressing Towards Higher Income Status,” with Sovannroeun Samreth and Sopheak Song, *The Cambodia Outlook Conference*, December 7, 2023.

“Explainer: How Cambodia’s Central Bank Addressed Economic Challenges During the Pandemic,” *The Cambodia News*, July 7, 2023.

“Will Cambodia Commit to Protecting Its Forests?” *The Diplomat*, November 13, 2021.

“Pandemic Offers Chance to Consider Higher Taxes, not Donations, From Rich,” *VOD*, August 13, 2021.

“How Cambodia’s Agricultural Lending Can Get a Bigger Bang for Its Buck,” *East Asia Forum*, May 29, 2021.

“Rising Inflation Threatens to Swamp Cambodian Households,” *The Diplomat*, May 26, 2021.

“Lockdown’s Food Security Crisis Must Address Demand and Supply,” with Lay Kimly, *VOD*, May 4, 2021.

“Cambodia’s Economic Recovery Uncertain Amid Covid,” *The Phnom Penh Post*, April 6, 2021.

“Cambodia Will Lose Its Fight Against Deforestation If Change isn’t Made,” *Southeast Asia Globe*, March 16, 2021.

“Kingdom’s Agro-processing Potential,” *The Phnom Penh Post*, June 8, 2020.

“Cambodia’s Agricultural Sector is in Dire Need of Revitalization,” *South East Asia Globe*, May 21, 2020.

## Teaching Experience

2021–2022      Data Analysis for Social Science with RStudio, Future Forum  
2018–2020      HYL B Leadership Academy, Habitat for Humanity Cambodia

## Refereeing

Journal of International Trade and Economic Development (2x), East Asia Forum (3x)

## Invited Seminars (including \*scheduled and †virtual)

2022: Aalborg University Business School  
2021: IR's Talk, Social Breaking News, Sethakech, Youth Resource Development Program  
2020: Future Forum, Markets and Markets Research Private Ltd<sup>†</sup>, Politikoffee Weekly Forum<sup>†</sup>, Youth Resource Development Program  
2019: Cambodia Development Center, Future Forum, Ecole Normale Supérieure de Luang Prabang, VOD, Royal University of Law and Economics  
2018: Youth Resource Development Program

## Conference Presentations (including \*scheduled and †virtual)

2023: Southeast Asia' Economic Research and Development Conference (Phnom Penh), 32<sup>nd</sup> Association of Southeast Asian Studies Annual Conference (Depok), CDRI Regional Symposium (Phnom Penh)  
2022: ELADES YSI Alumni Workshop (Santiago<sup>†</sup>), 5<sup>th</sup> Nordic Post-Keynesian Conference (Aalborg)  
2018: 5<sup>th</sup> NBC Annual Macroeconomic Conference (Phnom Penh)

## Other Professional Activities

Co-organizer, Southeast Asia' Economic Research and Development Conference, Phnom Penh, December, 2023  
Co-organizer, CDRI Regional Symposium, Phnom Penh, November, 2023  
Co-organizer, Sethakech Webinar Series, Sethakech, Phnom Penh, 2020–2021  
Co-organizer, Eco Study Trip, Royal University of Law and Economics, Siem Reap, 2018, 2019  
Co-organizer, Econ New Year's Day, Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh 2016, 2017, 2018  
Co-organizer, Ligue de la Filière Spéciale Francophone, Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh, 2016, 2017, 2018  
Co-organizer, Econ Juniors' Day, Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh, October 2018  
Co-organizer, Extractive Industries Exposure Trip, Youth Resource Development Program, Preach Vihear, September 2018  
Co-organizer, Extractive Industries Advocacy Workshop, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, August 2018  
Co-organizer, Potluck Party, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, August 2018  
Co-organizer, Youth's Perspective on Space for Social Activism, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, October 2017  
Co-organizer, Extractive Industries Campaign, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, 2017, 2018

## Other Information

Computing      Stata, R, MATLAB, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, HTML, CSS, Adobe Editing, Final Cut  
Languages      Khmer (native), English (proficient), French (advanced low)  
Personal Info      Cambodian citizen, Born in December 1996

## References

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