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Main Research Interests

Macroeconomics, Economic Growth and Economic Development

Education

July 2019 **Bachelor of Arts, Economics**
Université Lumière Lyon 2, Lyon, France
Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
August 2015 **National Baccalaureate, Science Education**
Chea Sim Reak Chey High School, Prey Veng, Cambodia

Academic Positions

January 2022 – Present **Researcher and Program Coordinator**, Future Forum, Cambodia
January – December 2021 **Junior Research Fellow**, Future Forum, Cambodia
January – December 2020 **Young Research Fellow**, Future Forum, Cambodia

Other Academic Appointments

July 2020 – Present **Member**, Urban Economics Association
July 2020 – Present **Co-Funder and Young Macroeconomist**, Sethakech Facebook Page
February 2020 – Present **Member**, Young Scholars Initiative, Institute for New Economic Thinking
December 2019 – Present **Member**, Economic Science Association
October 2019 – Present **Member**, Elsevier Advisory Panel, Elsevier
January 2018 – Present **Member**, Cambodian Economic Association
December 2017 – Present **Co-Founder and Executive Committee Member**
Chea Sim Reak Chey High School Alumni Association

Other Professional Affiliations

July 2018 – Present **Country Leadership Trainer**, Habitat for Humanity Cambodia
Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2019 **Student Representative and General Coordinator**
French Cooperation Department in Economics and Management,
Royal University of Law and Economics
July – October 2018 **Program Assistant Intern**, Youth Engagement in Social Action Program,
Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh
February – April 2018 **Market Research**, Royal University of Law and Economics,
French Cooperation Department in Economics and Management
July – December 2017 **Project Coordinator**, Youth Resource Development Program,
Youth Mobilization for Good Governance on Extractive Industries Program
June – September 2017 **Volunteer for the Market Research**
Koonsoor Kampuchea Training Academy, Phnom Penh

January – March 2017	Volunteer for the International Francophone Day Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh
January – March 2017	Volunteer for the Valentine Day Campaign Campaign to End Violence Against Women in Cambodia ActionAid Cambodia, Phnom Penh
June – October 2016	Volunteer for the Roadmap to University Success V Our Own Projects, Phnom Penh
March – April 2016	Volunteer for the Angkor Sankranta Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia, Siem Reap

Awards, Honors and Fellowships

Junior Research Fellowship Grant No. 202101, and conduct a research project on “Monetary Policy, Household Income Distribution and Structural Change,” Future Forum, US\$ 8,400, January – December 2021.

Article Writing Contest, “How is Cambodia Preparing for the Fourth Industrial Revolution?,” 1st Prize, Cambodia Development Center, US\$ 400, Phnom Penh, December 25, 2019.

Young Research Fellowship Grant No. 202001, “The Role of Agricultural and Rural Development Bank in the Development of Agriculture and Agro-processing in Cambodia,” Future Forum, US\$ 3,600, January – December 2020.

Best Working Paper Award, “Reinvigorating Cambodian Agriculture: Transforming from Extensive to Intensive Agriculture,” with Ly Singhong, 5th Annual Macroeconomic Conference, National Bank of Cambodia, US\$ 1,250, Phnom Penh, December 21, 2018.

The Best Video Contest Award on “Eco Study Trip 2017: Feel the Green, Feel the Warmth,” 1st Prize, French Cooperation Department in Economics and Management, US\$ 15, Phnom Penh, May 2017.

The Best Competition in Literature at District Level, 1st Prize, Ba Phnom, Prey Veng, March 2015.

Write on! Cambodia Competition, Peace Corps Cambodia, Prey Veng, March 2015.

Other Publications

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

Working Papers

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

“Government Ownership of Banks: Diversifying of Potential Products and Factors to Subsidize Agriculture,” Draft on July, 2021, Manuscript submitted at *the Journal of Future Cambodia*.

Short Articles and Policy Briefs

“The Effect of Covid-19 on Household Saving and Debt in Cambodia,” with Summer-Solstice Thomas, Forthcoming at *Future Forum Policy Brief*, Future Forum.

“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.

“How should Cambodia Prepare for the Fourth Industrial Revolution?” Essay Contest 2019, Cambodia Development Center, May 8, 2020.

Reports

“Activity Report: Eco Study Trip 2019,” *Royal University of Law and Economics*, April 9, 2019.

“Rapport de Stage : Assistant de Programme de l’Engagement des Jeunes pour l’Action Sociale,” *Royal University of Law and Economics*, January 26, 2019.

“Attractions in the North of Takeo Province,” *Entertainment and Knowledge*, Phnom Penh, April 2017.

Articles and Op-Eds

- “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

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| May – June 2021 | Data Analysis for Social Science with RStudio,
2021 Young Research Follow Program, Future Forum |
| July 2018 – Present | HYLB Leadership Academy, Habitat for Humanity Cambodia |

Referee Activities

Journal of International Trade and Economic Development (x2), East Asia Forum (x2).

Research in Progress

- “The Cambodian Youth Mapping,” under the research grant of the Delegation of European Union to Cambodia.

Conferences and Seminars

List includes speeches, lectures, and participation in panels. To view a select chronological list of Kosal’s speeches and links to slides, videos, and speech texts, please visit his website, <https://nithkosal.github.io/speeches.html>.

Conference Presentations

- 2018:** 5th Annual Macroeconomic Conference, National Bank of Cambodia, Phnom Penh.

Seminar Presentations

- 2021:** Future Forum (x3); Sethakech Webinar Series, Sethakech; Sethakech (x2); IR’s Talk; Youth Resource Development Program (x2).
- 2020:** Research Topic Presentation, Future Forum (x8); Markets and Markets Research Private Ltd; Weekly Forum, Politikoffee.
- 2019:** Article Contest Workshop, Cambodia Development Center, Phnom Penh; Brief Policy Workshop, Future Forum (x2), Phnom Penh; Royal University of Law and Economics (x11), Phnom Penh.
- 2018:** Royal University of Law and Economics (x11), Phnom Penh; Youth Resource Development Program.
- 2017:** Royal University of Law and Economics (x2), Phnom Penh; Institut Francais du Cambodge, Phnom Penh.
- 2016:** Royal University of Law and Economics (x3), Phnom Penh.
- 2015:** Royal University of Law and Economics, Phnom Penh.

Media Coverage

2021

- “The Latest Update on the Situation of Oil Industry in Cambodia,” My Voice, My Future, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, August 26, 2021.
- “Some Vegetable Producers Hope to Recover After the Lockdown, as Market Prospects Fluctuate,” Kann Vicheika, VOA Khmer, June 30, 2021.
- “2021 International Youth Day Online Campaign: Nith Kosal’s Research Story,” UN Youth Advisory Panel Cambodia, August 3, 2021.
- “In Cambodia, the End of COVID-19 Will Heighten the Economic Contradictions,” David Hutt, The Diplomat, June 11, 2021.
- “Public Participation in the Forest Protection Through Mixed Activities,” Green Night, Social Breaking News, Phnom Penh, April 8, 2021.
- “Youth Perspective on the Rise of Fuel Prices in Cambodia,” My Voice, My Future, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, March 31, 2021.
- “How Can Oil Revenues Help Cambodia’s Economy?” Break the Silence, Youth Resource Development Program, Vayo FM Radio, Phnom Penh, February 25, 2021.
- “Youth’s Views on the First Drop of Oil in Cambodia, December 29, 2020,” My Voice, My Future, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, January 11, 2021.

2020

- “Youth and Understanding the National Budget,” My Voice, My Future, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, July 27, 2020.
- “Three Young People Talk About the Preparation of the Fourth Industrial Revolution in Cambodia,” Sky Radio FM 107.75 MHz (News), June 9, 2020.
- “Cambodian Agricultural Sector During a Difficult Period of COVID-19,” Policy Decision, Future Forum, June 9, 2020.
- “Youth Perspectives on the Oil Sector in Cambodia,” My Voice, My Future, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, May 20, 2020.

2019

- “Knowledge Improvement,” Sarika FM, Phnom Penh, September 4, 2019.
- “How to Reduce Traffic Accidents?,” Sarika FM, Phnom Penh, June 24, 2019.
- “A Group of Students Organized a Knowledge Sharing Workshop on Climate Change and the Green Environment,” La Reine Peanich, March 14, 2019.
- “The Fear of Youth,” Sarika FM, March 5, 2019.
- “Youth’s Participation Toward Society’s Prosperity,” Sarika FM, February 13, 2019 (video available here : Part 1 and Part 2).

2018

- “Youth Opinion on the First Drop of Oil in Cambodia 2019,” Youth Resource Development Program (YRDP), Vayo FM, September 27, 2018.
- “Youth Launch 14 days Online Platform to Compact Plastic Use,” VOD Hot News, September 14, 2018.

Other Professional Activities

- Co-Organizer of the 2019 Eco Study Trip on “Youth’s Participation Toward Society’s Prosperity,” Royal University of Law and Economics, Siem Reap, March 7 – 10, 2019.
- Co-Organizer of the New Year’s Day 2019, Royal University of Law and Economics, December 22, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the 2018 Extractive Industries Campaign, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, November 3, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Ligue de la Filière Spéciale Francophone 2018, Royal University of Law and Economics, October – November, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Juniors’ Day 2018, Royal University of Law and Economics, October 27, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Potluck Party on “National Policy on Cambodia Youth Development,” Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, October 23, 2018.

Monitor and Evaluate the Quality of Youth Work Activities, Sesan II, Stung Treng, September 21 – 24, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Potluck Party on “Social Protection,” Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, September 15, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Extractive Industries Exposure Trip, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, September 7 – 10, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Advocacy Workshop, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, August 26, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the Potluck Party on “The Challenges of Cambodian Youth,” Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, August 25, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the 2018 Eco Study Trip on “The Wonders of Clean City Start From Youth,” Royal University of Law and Economics, Siem Reap, May 3 – 5, 2018.

Co-Organizer of the “Youth’s Perspective on Space for Social Activism,” Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, October 22, 2017.

Co-Organizer of the 2017 Extractive Industries Campaign, Youth Resource Development Program, Phnom Penh, October 8, 2017.

Competences

Languages	Khmer (Native), English (Upper Intermediate) and French (Upper Intermediate)
Computer Skills	MATLAB (Basic), Stata, EViews, R, Gretl, L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office, Visual Basic, Adobe Edit (Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere, & Lightroom).

Hobbies and Interesting

Reading, Social Activities, Football, Volleyball, and Travel.

References

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