WELCOME TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ORGANIZATIONAL INNOVATION, HUA HIN, THAILAND 2013

On behalf of the International Association of Organizational Innovation, I welcome you to the 2013 International Conference on Organizational Innovation. This conference promises to be the largest ever!

It is an honor and a pleasure for me to be in this historic locale of Hua Hin, The Resort of Kings! I am looking forward to interacting with all of you distinguished scholars and business men & women at this conference! And I am ager to explore another area of Thailand.

The International Association of Organizational Innovation has made great progress in the last few years! The main activities of the Association are hosting this conference and publishing the International Journal of Organizational Innovation. Both of these activities continue to grow. In addition, we are increasing our partnerships with other innovation related organizations. As a presenter at this conference you are automatically included as a member of the Association.

Besides welcoming you to this conference, I also serve as the Editor of the International Journal of Organizational Innovation, the journal sponsored by this Association. I encourage all of you to consider submitting the papers that you are presenting at this conference for publication in the journal. Another professional opportunity available to you is to serve as an Assistant Editor for the journal and review paper submissions to the journal. I will give detailed information on these opportunities in my opening address at the conference.

I would like to thank all of the people who worked very hard to organize this Conference. I know the effort that they had to use in getting this conference together. I especially thank our hosts The International College at Suan Sunandha Rajabhat University, Thailand and their representatives here at the conference. Dr. Denis Ushakov deserves special recognition of the IAOI member who took the lead role in organizing this conference. I would also like to thank my colleague Dr. Chich-Jen Shieh for his hard work coordinating with Dr. Ushakov & Suan Sunandha Rajabhat University for the planning and delivery of this conference.

I look forward to meeting you all and working with you over the next few days.

For those of you who have published in the Journal or serve as an Assistant Editor, Please come up and introduce yourself to me.
Please take the opportunity to explore this exciting region and country. Enjoy the conference!

Dr. Frederick Dembowski, President,
The International Association of Organizational Innovation

Biographical Sketch for Dr. Frederick L. Dembowski

Dr. Frederick L. Dembowski is currently serving as the President of the International Association of Organizational Innovation, and is the Editor of The International Journal of Organizational Innovation. He most recently served as the Hibernian National Bank Endowed Professor of Leadership at Southeastern Louisiana University, where he was honored as "The Outstanding Educator of 2008". He received his Ph.D. from the University of Rochester, New York. He has also served as a Professor, Department Head and Dean for over 35 years at Purdue University, SUNY Albany, Lynn University and the National University of Somalia, Africa. His work has focused on educational finance & business management, leadership & management, and international development of educational organizations. He has over 100 publications including: Effective School District Management (1999), published by the American Association of School Administrators and Scarecrow Press; and Unbridled Spirit: Best Practices in Educational Administration – the 2006 NCPEA YEARBOOK (2006), published by the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration. He has also served as the Editor of other four professional journals.