



Mr. Malaithong Kommasith

**Minister of Industry and Commerce of Lao People's Democratic Republic
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Personal Details:

Date of Birth: May 27, 1971

Education:

- 2007-2008: Attended Ph.D. Preparation Program at WASEDA University, Tokyo, Japan
- Completed Humphrey Fellowship Program with focus areas in urban planning, negotiation, entrepreneurship, and project management at Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA
- Master in Development Administration at Australian National University, Canberra, Australia
- Bachelor of Architecture, National University of Laos, Vientiane, Laos

Professional Experience:

- 23 June 2022: Minister of Industry and Commerce of the Lao PDR
- March 2021 to 19 June 2022: President of the State Audit Organization
- April 2020 – March 2021: Vice Governor of Champasak Province
- September 2016-April 2020: Vice Minister, Head of Economic Advisory Team and Secretary to the Prime Minister, Prime Minister's Office
- April 2012-September 2016: Director General of the Department of Planning and Cooperation, Ministry of Science and Technology
- July 2011-April 2012: Deputy Chief of Cabinet, Ministry of Science and Technology
- August 2008-July 2011: Secretary to the Prime Minister, Prime Minister's Office
- April 2005-August 2008: Lecturer at the Faculty of Economics and Business Management, National University of Laos
- January 2002-April 2004: Professional in Department of Housing and Urban Planning, Ministry of Telecommunication, Transportation, Post and Construction
- July 1998-January 2002: Officer in the Department of Asia, Pacific, and Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- April July 1996-July 1998: Lecturer at the Faculty of Architecture, National University of Laos