

IOD DCP 64/2005 Orientation Speech
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President of IOD, Thailand, IOD associates,
DCP 64 apprentice, Ladies and Gentlemen

It is my pleasure to be here.

This is a very different feeling when I was sitting there in your place early this year.

I tell you it feels **great**...to finally pass the tests and become a newly fellow member of IOD.

BUT I am standing before you today with a confession to be made.

Like many of you, I was quite reluctant to take this DCP training. I thought then maybe it was quite a waste of time.

Like some of you, I had to take this course because my company insists on me to take this. I thought well, at least I could make some friends along the way.

Like a few of you, I was afraid that I would not pass these two examinations. It had been so long that I had last taken any examination.

Then, the moment of truth had come. I could not postpone this DCP exercise any more (after being excused for the last three years). I, like you, now were here in this orientation just a few months ago.

For better or for worse, our family, friends and associates know that we are here, not because you already have paid, **but because we care.**

We care to invest our time and effort for at least seven working days of our life, **not to be wasted, but to be useful.**

We care to “**do the right thing**”, like in our boardroom. What matters most in the end are your actions, our actions, not simply our words.

“**Doing the right thing**” cannot be compromised, especially through actions that purport to enhance your human capital value, similar to value enhancement for our shareholders. The means can be only derived from sharing your experience, knowledge and networks with open communication and discussion and some study preparation.

We know that at the end this is to build up our (human) capital to be a professional director.

And to be certified as an IOD member or better yet as IOD fellow is a way to **publicly show that we care.**

(I am quite sure that Khun Reungjira would check your attendance and help out whatever she can to get you through this.)

To have “an enterprise with integrity”, we need “people of integrity”.

Why don't you come and join us as the fellow member of IOD?

Thank you for your un-divided attention...Good Nights.