



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **CAMBRIDGE ESOL ENABLES TEACHERS TO TAKE SKILLS BACK TO THAILAND**

**Cambridge, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2009:** In partnership with Bell International, Cambridge ESOL, part of the University of Cambridge and the world's leading provider of language assessment, has given a group of 30 English Language teachers from Thailand, the opportunity to enhance their skills by participating in a four week training course in Cambridge.

Yuwadee Yoosabai, a delegate from the course comments: "The course has been extremely useful. Cambridge ESOL and Bell International worked perfectly together to give us a mix of theory and practical experience. They took time to find out in what areas of teaching we were experiencing difficulties, in order to ensure that the training was tailor made to our needs. We have all learnt so much in regards to the different types of tests available and feel much more confident about how to extract the best from our students."

Working closely with the Thai Ministry of Education, Cambridge ESOL and Bell International delivered the training to help delegates develop their knowledge of teacher training methodologies and improve their overall skills as practicing teachers. The course also equipped the teachers with the necessary skills to design and develop their own English language tests. Both organisations played an integral role in ensuring that the teachers felt comfortable throughout their stay. Participants were welcomed by members of the community giving them a chance to embrace the English culture and experience as much as possible.

Michael Milanovic, CEO for Cambridge ESOL comments: "Providing teachers from all over the world, with all of the necessary support and guidance when educating and assessing students who are learning a foreign language is a key objective for us. Our long established partnership with both the Thai Ministry of Education and Bell International enabled us to give these delegates a unique insight into the tools and techniques needed. We will certainly keep in touch with the delegates to learn how their newfound knowledge and expertise has helped them move forward and address some of the challenges they face in their daily roles in Thailand."