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# VIETNAM - UK EDUCATION FORUM “CONNECTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS”

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**Venue: Central Hall Westminster, Storeys Gate, London SW1H 9NH**

**Time: Friday, 11 September 2015, 08.00 - 15.00**

## Context

To celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of establishment of the Strategic Partnership between Vietnam and the UK, the Embassy of Vietnam in the UK is organising Vietnam Discovery Week from 7 - 11 September 2015 with presence of senior Vietnam leaders. On this occasion, the Embassy of Vietnam is working with the Ministry of Education and Training, the British Council and Higher Education UK International Unit (IU) to organise Vietnam - UK Education forum in the UK. The forum aims at

- Establishing close, effective and sustainable bilateral education collaboration between Vietnam and the UK through joint working of MoET, the British Council and Universities UK;
- Creating a venue for exchange and sharing best practices in successful bilateral collaboration which set direction for future collaboration to focus on priorities of Vietnam education reform agenda;
- Sharing the forum's discussion results to support MoET and participating Vietnamese institutions in the development of international plan/policy/direction/strategy to realise the international collaboration and intergration objectives in education
- Establishing Vietnam - UK network of HEIs to build institutional partnership and share experience on
  - Governance and development of internationalising higher education
  - Improving research capacity and collaboration (science and innovation)
  - Enhancing training collaboration
  - Academic and student exchange

## Registration

Please register to attend the event at <http://vietnamdiscovery.co.uk/vietnameducationforum> before 21 August 2015.

## PROPOSED AGENDA

Timing	Session	Presenter
	<b>Fringe Events - Thursday 10 September 2015</b>	
AM	Visit to Department of Business, Innovation and Skills (Universities & Sciences)	Arranged by British Council and IU
PM	Institutional visit (main stream of interest ie. economics, social sciences or science)/ Centre of excellence (eco system in research and translation)	Arranged by British Council and IU
	<b>FORUM - Friday 11 September 2015</b>	
08.30 - 09.00	<b>Registration</b>	
09.00 - 09.20	<b>Opening remarks by</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E Ambassador Nguyen Van Thao</li> <li>Prof. Dr. Bui Van Ga, Vice Minister, Ministry of Education and Training</li> <li>Representative from BIS (tbc)</li> <li>Representative from the British Council</li> </ul>	Cherry Gough, Director, British Council Vietnam
09.20 - 09.50	<b>Plenary session</b> <b>Education in Vietnam - opportunities and challenges</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internationalising education in Vietnam: Strategies and Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Education reform</li> <li>Opportunities (Decree 73, Project 911 PhD training overseas, P599 Master training, P2020 English)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Challenges - opportunities for collaboration and development</li> </ul>	MoET representative
09.50 - 10.30	<b>Future direction of higher education collaboration between UK and Vietnam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HE leadership role and role of HE in the 21st century on national and international development</li> <li>Challenges of Vietnam HE institutions in the international integration process to meet social and economic development of a nation</li> </ul>	UK and VN Higher Education leaders
10.30 - 10.45	<b>Coffee break</b>	
10.45 - 11.30	<b>QA, teaching and learning toward high employability of graduates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional vs Academic qualifications</li> </ul> <b>Academic and student mobility</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student mobility - connecting cultures</li> <li>Academic exchange - UK best practice</li> </ul>	ACCA; VN Business and UK HE representatives
11.30 - 12.15	<b>Research and Ranking:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vietnam's integration</li> <li>Collaborative research to strengthen research performance - Newton Programme Vietnam</li> </ul>	VN HE leaders; British Council
	Joint statement on future collaboration between MoET, British Council and IU (tbc)	MoET, British Council and IU
12.10 - 13.15	<b>Lunch</b>	
13.15 - 13.45	<b>Building partnership in education – practice and potential</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing a collaborative research hub for the development of nation and region</li> <li>Improving the quality of vocational education training</li> </ul>	VN and UK representatives from HE institutions and colleges
13.45 - 15.00	Speed dating between UK and Vietnam education institutions	
15.00	<b>Forum closes</b>	

*\*This Agenda is subject to change*