



ANNUAL VIETNAM BUSINESS FORUM 2020

Date & Time: 7:30 – 11:30, Tuesday, 22nd December 2020
Venue: Crystal Grand Ballroom, Lotte Hotel Hanoi, 54 Lieu Giai, Ba Dinh, Hanoi

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE NEW NORMAL

TENTATIVE AGENDA

7:30 – 8:00	Registration
8:00 – 8:15	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Planning and Investment – <i>Mr. Nguyen Chi Dung, Minister</i> • International Finance Corporation – <i>Mr. Kyle F. Kelhofer, Senior Country Manager, Vietnam, Lao PDR, Cambodia</i> • Vietnam Business Forum Consortium – <i>Mr. Hong Sun, VBF Co-Chair</i>
SESSION 1 – OVERVIEW OF BUSINESSES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC	
8:15 – 9:00	Presentations by 07 Chambers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry • Korea Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam • Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Vietnam • British Chamber of Commerce Vietnam • European Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam • American Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam • Australian Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam
SESSION 2 – REBOOTING BUSINESS; ATTRACTING FOREIGN INVESTMENT FLOWS	
9:00 – 10:15	Presentations on businesses’ recommendations in the following key areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power & Energy • Labor and Education & Training • Investment & Trade • Infrastructure • Banking and Capital Markets • Tax & Customs • Tourism

	<p><i>Speakers: VBF Working Groups' Heads/ Representatives</i></p> <p><i>Responses from the Government</i></p>
10:15 – 10:30	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: BY GOVERNMENT LEADER
10:30 – 10:50	TEA BREAK
SESSION 3 – BOOSTING PARTICIPATION OF LOCAL BUSINESSES IN THE VALUE CHAIN	
10:50 – 11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pivotal improvements required for the local businesses to intensively participate in the value chain. • FDI businesses' commitments to enhance the role of local private sector in the value chain under the new normal. <p><i>Speakers: FDI & local companies</i></p>
CLOSING	
11:15 – 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Bank – <i>Mrs. Carolyn Turk, Country Director</i> • Vietnam Business Forum Consortium – <i>Dr. Vu Tien Loc, VBF Co-Chair</i> • Ministry of Planning and Investment – <i>Mr. Nguyen Chi Dung, Minister</i>
11:30 – 13:00	LUNCHEON