



AmCham HCMC Weekly Update - 3rd Week of 2019

FEATURES



Amanda Rasmussen elected Chairwoman of AmCham HCMC in 2019

AmCham HCMC is delighted to announce that Ms. Amanda Rasmussen has been elected as the new Chairwoman for AmCham HCMC in 2019. Amanda is the Chief Operating Officer, ITL Corporation.

Amanda shared that "I am honored to be elected as the Chairwoman for AmCham HCMC in 2019 and greatly appreciate the support and trust from my Board of Governor colleagues. 2019 is set to be an exciting year for AmCham in Vietnam and I am equally honored to hold the National Chair position for the Chamber in the coming year. 2019 marks the 25th Anniversary for AmCham's establishment in Vietnam and it's an amazing opportunity and I am humbled to be a part of this journey."



Preparing for a smarter future

Vietnam is now making great efforts to develop its own smart energy industry. Koos Neefjes, director and climate change expert from Climate Sense Company, provides an insight into how Vietnam can realise its potential and how investors can reap the benefits from the industry.



Reducing risks of outward foreign direct investment

On January 10, 2019, Oxfarm in Vietnam, in collaboration with the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI) and People and Nature Reconciliation (PanNature) held a seminar on cross-border investment in Vietnam, outlining the risks and challenges in legal compliance.



World Bank warns brewing trade storm jeopardises global economy

And the global slowdown is beginning as government and corporate debt rise, especially among the poorest countries, while mounting interest rates increase borrowing costs, the bank said in its semi-annual Global Economic Prospects report.



Renew Your Membership TODAY

It's time to renew your membership for 2019 and continue your involvement in AmCham, with opportunities for networking, information-sharing, advocacy to improve the business environment, and marketing opportunities, including updates in our Weekly email, website <http://www.amchamvietnam.com>, more than 100 events and meetings a year.

Do not forget to update your company profile online and for printing in the **2019 Membership Directory** when you renew.

Contact our **Membership Team** for any questions you have.



Our Warm Welcome to New Joined Members - Dec 2018 & Jan 2019

Premium Member: Autodesk Inc.

Corporate Members: Banner Engineering Pte Ltd; BDA Partners; Brandsurge; Caleres Inc. (Leeway International); Dan On Foods Corporation; Elumis Foundation; Enterline & Partners Company Limited; Evolve Mobility; FedEx Trade Networks Transport & Brokerage (Vietnam) Company Limited; Institute of American Education; International School Ho Chi Minh City - American Academy; International SOS; Recess Company (Lazada); Sika Limited (Vietnam) - HCMC Branch; The St.Nicholas International School; Thornton Tomasetti (Vietnam); Thuan Thien Phat Production - Export and Import Company

Click [HERE](#) for full list of our new joined members with their company profiles.



Advertisement Opportunities in AmCham Membership Directory 2019

Daily used by AmCham members and their employees

Quick way to find contact details of AmCham members

Valuable source of information for firms considering investment in Vietnam* Promotes your products and services and enhances your company's image within the Southeast Asian business community

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Published date: April 2019

For more information, please contact [Membership Team](#)

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The First Finnish School in Ho Chi Minh City - Vietnam

Vietnam-Finland International School (VFIS) is the very first Finnish school to be established in Vietnam. With superior, modern and pedagogy-oriented facilities, VFIS will provide high-quality basic education in which no child is left behind.

VFIS will officially open since the school year of 2019 - 2020, starting with both International and Bilingual programs in Elementary School (Grade 1 - Grade 5).

For more information visit our website <http://vfis.tdtu.edu.vn/>

Legal Updates

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Legal Updates (No.01/2019)

Welcome to our Legal Updates collected from November 24, 2018 to December 24, 2018.

We hope the Legal Updates can be useful for your corporate governance and compliance.

Should you have any question, please feel free contact us at info@letranlaw.com



Celebrate Holiday Reunion In Style with The Ascott Vietnam

Make this New Year's gathering with your beloved, the one you will cherish forever. Come away to any Ascott's properties in Vietnam or Cambodia for an exceptional treat and indulge in a complete experience of comfort and lifestyle. Enjoy up to 35% off on Flexible Rates along with complimentary Special Welcome amenities, 30% discounts on airport transfers and much more. Start your year right. Dine your heart's delight. Because life is about living. Booking from now to 28th February with stay period from 18th January - 10th March 2019. Check out Somerset promotion [here](#) and Citadines' promotion [here](#).



Korean Air, established in 1969, is one of the world's top 20 airlines carrying more than 26 million passengers in 2017. The airline operates over 460 flights per day to 124 cities in 44 countries on six continents; it has a modern fleet of 174 aircraft and employs over 20,000 professional employees. Korean Air's core business includes passenger, cargo, aerospace, catering and in-flight sales. The airline's main hub is at the newly-opened Incheon (ICN) International Airport Terminal 2.

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Upcoming Events & Meetings, Special Offers



EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE

Jan 15 AmCham Education and Training Committee January Meeting (For Members Only)

The next Committee meeting is Thursday, January 15, at 3:30pm-5:30pm, in Baker & McKenzie's Hanoi and HCMC offices.
 Agenda: Move forward with initiatives of the subcommittees and discuss progress on plans for an AmCham Conference on Education. PLEASE contact Bob Connolly if you want to play a direct role in preparing for a September conference.



MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE

Jan 17 Manufacturing Committee January Meeting (For Members Only)

Regular monthly meeting of the Manufacturing Committee for networking, information-sharing, and planning advocacy efforts to improve the business environment and promote trade and investment between Vietnam and the U.S.

Jan 19 1st Annual Connect For Happiness Golf Tournament 2019

The Thanh Nien Newspaper, VCCI, and AmCham HCMC would like to invite you to join our 1st Annual Connect For Happiness Golf Tournament 2019 to raise fund for charity activities in Vietnam.

Location: Harmonie Golf Park, 469 Tran Ngoc Len, Thu Dau Mot, Binh Duong Province

Time: Saturday, January 19, 2019

Fee: VND 1,600,000 including green & caddie fee, cart, prizes & gala dinner. All fee will be donated to charity fund.

RSVP: Ms. Dang Nguyen - dang.nguyen@thanhnienco.vn - 0907305659

Jan 19 AmCham's Spring Blood Donor Day 2019

AmCham CSR Group is working with the Hospital of Hematology and Blood Transfusion (BTH) to organize Blood Donor Campaigns that will proceed in spring and summer. The New Year Campaign with the message "Blood Donation Spring. Loving Acts Spreading" is an event in the chain of AmCham CSR activities. It focuses on the availability and willingness to donate of voluntary blood donors when it comes to high season of blood shortage like Tet Festival. Furthermore, it strongly encourages people to be a friend indeed of others and appreciate the spirit of giving back to the society.

Tet Holiday brings so many joys and happiness. Yet it is also a challenging time for organizing voluntary blood donation activities in Vietnam and Ho Chi Minh City. Therefore, let's make happiness truly complete by doing meaningful things together and bringing

happiness to those around us.



TAX COMMITTEE

Jan 22 AmCham Tax Committee: Year-end Corporate Tax Compliance Refreshment

What are the key changes in tax landscape and their impacts on our business?"

"Are we up-to-date with the best practices in corporate tax compliance declaration?"

"What are the common challenges raised by tax authorities lately?"

Do those questions sound familiar to you?

Concerning the above, AmCham Vietnam is hosting a tax briefing to address those questions with the aim to assist enterprises to get well prepared for the year-end tax compliance obligations. In this tax briefing session, we are honored to have the trusted tax advisors from PwC Vietnam and Baker & McKenzie share their knowledge, insights and practical experiences and respond to your concerns and questions.

Jan 23 AmCham Palooza Party at Chill Skybar



**AMCHAM
PALOOZA**

Come and join us the 1st AmCham Palooza Party of 2019 at Chill Skybar, one of the most popular nightspots in Ho Chi Minh City located on the 25th floor of AB Tower, District 1.

The monthly AmCham Palooza Party is a platform to develop new friendships, networking opportunities and information exchange. People from all age groups are welcome to attend - there's no age limit, you just have to be young at heart! Dress code: Business Casual

Jan 24 Logistics and Supply Chain Committee January Meeting (For AmCham's Members)



**LOGISTICS & SUPPLY CHAIN
COMMITTEE**

Regular monthly meeting of the Logistics and Supply Chain Committee for networking, information-sharing, and planning advocacy efforts to improve the business environment and promote trade and investment between Vietnam and the U.S.



Mar 04-05 APCAC Business Summit 2019: The Future of U.S. Trade and Investment in Asia

The 2019 APCAC Summit will be a crucial event for leaders to analyse new developments and adapt to the new trading climate, given that the recent political tensions within the trade and commerce sphere has affected many sectors of the economy. Planning for 2019's summit is well underway, and it is shaping up to be an exciting event. Further summary of 2019's developing agenda can be found on our Summit website.



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Benefits when you are AmCham Members

We love our AmCham members! What we want to know is do you know all the benefits you get with your membership? It's possible that you only remember the ones you've used recently, but there are many ways even our basic level memberships benefit at AmCham. Click [HERE](#) for details.

Opportunities to join AMCHAM PREMIUM MEMBERSHIP 2019

The AmCham Premium Membership 2019 offers companies who want to commit demonstrate their leadership and support for AmCham mission and programs. With the strong support of these fine businesses, AmCham is able to achieve its mission at a much higher level.

Our Premium Membership comes with a range of exclusive benefits. One all-inclusive Premium Membership's annual billing simplifies your businesses' sponsorship efforts. Click [HERE](#) for Premium Members' benefits.

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