



AmCham HCMC Weekly Update - 8th Week of 2019

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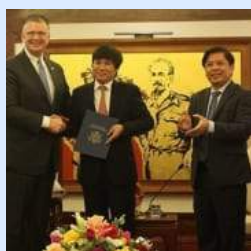
Vietnam Airlines to launch direct flights to USA

The carrier would begin with four flights a week to Los Angeles and later daily flights to the West Coast, which is home to a large Vietnamese-American community. Direct services are expected to cater to the large demand for travel between the two countries. The number of Americans visiting Vietnam grew by 11.9 percent last year to 687,000, according to the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism.



Foreign capital flows into southern provinces as Lunar New Year starts

Fresh foreign capital has been flowing into the southern provinces of Ba Ria-Vung Tau and Binh Duong at the beginning of the Lunar New Year.



Vietnam officially receives Category 1 from US aviation authority

Vietnam has been officially granted Category 1 status by the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), setting the stage for Vietnamese airlines to conquer US destinations.



Digital banking: The way forward

Technology solutions are transforming every aspect of life, lining up a plethora of services readily available at the swipe of a finger - and banking and finance is a hotbed of such innovation. Do Danh Thanh, technology consulting director at PwC Consulting Vietnam, told VIR's Hoang Anh how digital banking is an inevitable trend that puts pressure on banks all over the world to transform their traditional operating models.



Vietnam 'hits its stride' as more shippers and logistics players enter the market

According to Amanda Rasmussen, chief operating officer at Indo Trans Logistics (ITL) and recently elected chair of AmCham Vietnam, the increased manufacturing activity will lift the country's booming air freight market to even greater heights.



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 - Jan 2019

Corporate Members: Caleres Inc (Leeway International); Connect Company; Dan On Foods Corporation; Enterline & Partners Company Limited; Evolve Mobility; FedEx Trade Networks Transport & Brokerage (Vietnam) Company Limited; Gaw NP Industrial JSC; Institute of American Education; International School Ho Chi Minh City - American Academy; The St.Nicholas International School; Vinpearl JSC

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



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Job Post: CN Hiring Vietnam Country Representative

CN - also known as the Canadian National Railway Company - is a backbone of the global economy, spanning Canada and mid-America, connecting North America to global markets on 3 coasts, providing geographic, customer and product diversity. CN is currently hiring a Vietnam Country Representative who will gather information about markets and clients, increase market awareness, and raise CN's profile to existing customers, industry stakeholders, shippers (import/export), shipping lines, freight forwarders and 3PLs.

Advanced Purchase Promotion to North America from HCM City



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.



Noteworthy Legal Issues regarding Expats working in Vietnam

The insight presents advices on noteworthy legal issues regarding the expats working in Vietnam: Can an indefinite term labor contract be signed with an expat? Does a foreign legal representative of an enterprise need a work permit if working outside of Vietnam? If receiving a job offer while traveling in Vietnam, is the foreigner allowed to work in Vietnam? What is the obligation of "declaring the temporary residence of foreigners"? Should you have any question, please feel free to contact us at info@letranlaw.com



Your Wise Investment Today Secures Your Child's Bright Future

Vietnam-Finland International School (VFIS) is the first Finnish education model established in Vietnam. We are now accepting registrations from parents for the International and Bilingual Primary Schools (Grades 1 - 5) to secure your child's placement for the 2019 - 2020 school year before the open day. We offer special tuition packages which are refunded 100% after student's Grade 12 for the first 80 parents only. Contact us at 0913821818 for further information.

Upcoming Events & Meetings, Special Offers



Feb 19 Drivers of Change - Connected Consumers & Technology

What does the rise of platforms and the tech savvy consumers mean for business? We are likely to see significant disruption on the high street of cities around the globe. Do we need to change course and understand more about those consumers of tomorrow? KPMG has recently launched a global survey "Me, my life, my wallet" looking at the lives of 25,000 consumers and what are they doing differently. In addition, we explore some of the technology and innovative trends that are impacting business and what is in store for 2019 and beyond.



LEGAL & VBF LIAISON COMMITTEE

Feb 19 AmCham Legal and VBF Liaison Committee Monthly Meeting

Regular monthly meeting of the committee to review upcoming events, discuss and prepare positions on key issues, laws and regulations relating to trade and investment between Vietnam and the United States.



MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE

Feb 21 Manufacturing Committee February 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.



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.



Mar 07 Members Night with Special Guests and Consulate General at Hotel Des Arts

Join us the first AmCham Members Night event of 2019 with Special Guests including the U.S. Consulate General staff on Thursday, March 07, 2019 at the Hotel Des Arts. This will

be our special opportunity to introduce you our recently joined members. After introducing of Consulate General team and new members, a cocktail reception will offer networking opportunities for one-on-one conversations with the Consulate General Team, AmCham Governors/Network Leaders, and fellow members.



Mar 14 Liquefied Natural Gas: Financing Vietnam's Large-scale Multibillion-dollar Greenfield LNG Projects

Is liquefied natural gas (LNG) compelling near-term for Vietnam to mitigate against security of supply risks in light of its declining domestic gas production, increased upstream production costs and downstream market developments? Prospects for the development, construction and financing of Vietnam's large-scale multibillion-dollar greenfield LNG regas terminals/LNG-to-power projects in the dynamics of prevailing global gas supplies? Should such LNG projects be land based full-scale or floating (FSRU)?



Mar 20 How Vietnam Can Thrive in a Water-scarce World: Supporting Rapid Economic Development with Sustainable Water Management

Addressing water quality and quantity issues has never been more critical. For Vietnam, this is a unique opportunity as it's one of the richest agricultural regions in the world and its economy is developing rapidly. If businesses, government and investors make the right decisions today, we have a chance to build an industrial base in Vietnam that has smart water management as one of its bedrock principles and is built to be water-resilient down the road. Which tools and best practices can be leveraged to drive sustainable water use and water management?



Mar 27 AmCham Palooza Party at Q Bar Saigon

AmCham will continue its series of monthly informal networking events at Q Bar Saigon in Thao Dien, one of the best cocktail, whisky & wine bars in Ho Chi Minh City. The monthly 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! Come and join us for a night of casual networking, meet other professionals, bring your business cards! The AmCham Palooza is a popular group that holds networking events and happy hours regularly to increase communication amongst membership and expats.



May 4 Cinco de Mayo Fiesta 2019 at District Federal

Come out and celebrate the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta with us and enjoy a free flow of frozen Patron margarita with Mexican themed food buffet at the District Federal, an authentic Mexican woodfired grill & bar in Thao Dien, District 2, on Saturday, May 4, 2019, from 7:00pm to 10:00pm

Advance tickets required.

Registration closes on May 2 or when we hit max registrations.



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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

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