## AmCham HCMC Weekly Update - 9th Week of 2019

### **FEATURES**



# LAST CALL: Advertisement Opportunities in AmCham Membership Directory 2019

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# LAST CALL for Membership! Renew Now and Update your Company Profile for the 2019 AmCham Membership Directory

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.



## **Preparations intensify for second Trump-Kim summit in Hanoi**

One week from a scheduled meeting between leaders of the U.S. and North Korea in Hanoi, an air of urgency permeates the Vietnamese capital as the hosts beef up preparations for the high-profile summit.



## MPI confirmed as government general advisory agency

The prime minister affirmed that the MPI (Ministry of Planning and Investment) is the head of the government's general advisory agency.



## Country of Origin in the New Tariff Environment (Feb 2019)

AAFA (the American Apparel and Footwear Association) presented an "open-industry webinar," sponsored by KPMG, available to all professionals in the apparel and footwear industry. These webinars feature insight and knowledge sharing by AAFA member

companies who provide business solutions for your supply chain, trade policy, and brand protection needs. The on-demand webinar, "Determining Country of Origin," explained CBP's Country of Origin rules to ensure that companies make the right moves in response to the U.S.-China "Section 301 tariffs impact, and in the most cost-efficient way possible.



#### 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.



### **AmCham Premium Membership 2019**

#### Welcome AETNA International to become our Bronze Premium Member!

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.

## Sponsored News

## **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.



# Work permit - The key point in resolving labor disputes with foreign employees

Having a valid work permit is one of requirements for expats to work in Vietnam. However, due to practical, day-to-day demands of business, many companies often sign labor contracts with expats without valid work permits. In case of dispute, the issues become: "Is the labor contract with an expat without a work permit valid?" and "What role does a work permit play in a labor dispute with expats?" This insight gives answers to such questions. Should you have any question, please feel free to contact us at info@letranlaw.com

## Upcoming Events & Meetings, Special Offers



## 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 05 AmCham HR Committee Gathering: Beauty Tips for Professional Women

**AmCham HR Committee** and **John Robert Powers** are going to co-host a networking night with the theme Beauty tips for professional women.

General Introduction: What is Personal Branding? (30 minutes)

- Importance of Personal Branding to Personal and Professional Success
- Elements of Personal Branding Self-Awareness: What do I bring into all aspects of my life? (Who I am). Image Management: The Art of Positive Self-Presentation and Projection (How I look). Effective Communication Skills: The Art of Positive Communication for Relationship Building (How I communicate). Social Graciousness: The Art of Social and Business Interaction (How I treat others)



## 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 13 Logistics and Supply Chain Committee March Meeting (For AmCham's Members)

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 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.



#### DO YOU KNOW .....?

## 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.

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