



CONFERENCE AGENDA

IMPROVING AUSTRALIA'S FDI IN VIETNAM IN THE CONTEXT OF CPTPP AND RCEP

Time: 9:00 – 11:20 a.m., Wednesday, 22 December 2021

Location: Online at Zoom platform

Time	Activity
8.30-9.00	Delegate registration
9.00-9.15	Opening speeches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Nguyen Thi Thu Trang – Director of the Center for WTO and International Trade, Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI) - Mr. Charles Thursby-Pelham - First Secretary, Australian Embassy in Vietnam
9.15-9.45	Overview of Australia's direct investment in Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current situation of direct investment into Vietnam - Linkage between Australian FDI companies and Vietnamese local partners - Assessment of Australian FDI enterprises in Vietnam about Vietnam's investment environment - Solutions to increase Australian direct investment into Vietnam and deepen linkage between Australian companies and Vietnamese local partners <p><i>Speaker: Ms. Phung Thi Lan Phuong, the Center for WTO and International Trade, VCCI</i></p>

9.45-10.05	<p>Key challenges faced by Australian businesses in Vietnam - Recommendations for business recovery post COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main problems that Australian companies have encountered when doing business in Vietnam over the years - How COVID-19 pandemic has affected Australian companies in Vietnam - Suggestions and recommendations to the Vietnamese Government to improve the investment environment and support Australian companies' recovery post COVID-19 in order to attract more Australian direct investment into Vietnam <p><i>Speaker: Mr Simon Pugh, President of AusCham and CEO of QLM Label Makers</i></p>
10.05-10.25	<p>Assessment of Australian businesses in Australia about Vietnam's investment environment and expectations from CPTPP and RCEP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main issues that Australian investors care about when investing abroad and in Vietnam - Expectations from CPTPP and RCEP to increase Australian investment into Vietnam - Recommendations to the Vietnamese government to attract more Australian investors into Vietnam in the future <p><i>Speaker: Dr. Uwe Kaufmann, Senior Lecturer, Australian Institute of Business (AIB)</i></p>
10.25-10.45	<p>International experience in attracting FDI and lessons for Vietnam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policies to attract FDI, especially FDI from Australia, of some countries in the context of post COVID-19 pandemic and increasing trade tensions; - Lessons learned and implications for Vietnam <p><i>Speaker: Mr. Nguyen Anh Duong – Head of General Research Department, Central Institute for Economic Management (CIEM)</i></p>
10.45-11.15	<p>Q&A</p>
11.15-11.20	<p>Closing Conference</p>