

# “UNITED STATES-VIETNAM RELATIONS: TOWARD A BRIGHTER FUTURE”

(A Symposium to Commemorate the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Normalization of Diplomatic Relations between Vietnam and the United States)  
8-9 July 2010, Hanoi, Vietnam

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Time	Activities
<b>7 July</b>	<b>Welcoming dinner</b> (Hosted by the DAV and the Asia Foundation)
<b>8 July</b>	
<b>8.30 – 9.00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9.00 – 10.00</b>	<p><b>Opening remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Welcoming Remark by Mr. Duong Van Quang, President of the DAV</li> <li>- Welcoming Remark by H.E. Mr. Michael W. Michalak, US Ambassador to Vietnam</li> </ul> <p><b>Key-note Addresses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Key-note Address by H.E. Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Foreign Minister of Vietnam</li> <li>- Key-note Address by The Honorable Jim Webb, United States Senator</li> </ul> <p><b>Group photos</b></p>
<b>10.00 – 10.15</b>	<b>Tea break</b>
<b>10.15 – 11.45</b>	<p><b>Session 1: The Vietnam-US relationship in the past 15 years: Lessons for the future</b></p> <p><i>Themes for discussion:</i> Achievements and remaining issues in the 15 years of Vietnam-US relationship</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Duong Van Quang, President of the DAV</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Le Van Bang, Former Vietnamese Ambassador to the US</li> <li>- Mr. Desaix Anderson, Former US Ambassador to Vietnam</li> <li>- Mr. Nguyen Tam Chien, Former Vietnamese Ambassador to the US</li> <li>- Mr. Pete Peterson, Former US Ambassador to Vietnam</li> </ul>
<b>11.45 – 13.00</b>	<p><b>Lunch</b></p> <p>Host: The Asia Foundation</p>
<b>13.00 – 14.30</b>	<p><b>Session 2: The Vietnam-US relationship in the coming 15 years: Opportunities and challenges</b></p> <p><i>Themes for discussion:</i> Opportunities and challenges facing Vietnam-US cooperation, mutual perceptions and understanding</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Stephen Maxner, Vietnam Center, Texas Tech University</p>

	<p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Vu Khoan, Former Deputy Prime Minister of Vietnam</li> <li>- Prof. Fred Brown, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University</li> <li>- Mr. Nguyen Ba Hung, Americas Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam</li> <li>- Ms. Virginia Foote, Vietnam-US Trade Council</li> </ul>
<b>14.30 – 14.45</b>	<b>Tea break</b>
<b>14.45 – 16.30</b>	<p><b>Session 3: The Vietnam-US relationship in the coming 15 years: Mutual priorities</b></p> <p><i>Themes for discussion:</i> Cooperation in the fields of economics, education, healthcare, science and technology</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Nguyen Tam Chien, Former Vietnamese Ambassador to the US</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Edmund Malesky, University of California – San Diego</li> <li>- Prof. Nguyen Thiet Son, Institute of American Studies, Vietnam</li> <li>- Ms. Helen S. Huntley, Director, Institute of International Education – Vietnam</li> <li>- Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Hung, Ministry of Education and Training, Vietnam (to be confirmed)</li> </ul>
<b>9 July</b>	
<b>8.30 – 10.00</b>	<p><b>Session 4: The Vietnam-US relationship in the coming 15 years: Mutual priorities (continued)</b></p> <p><i>Themes for discussion:</i> Cooperation in the fields of defence and security, postwar humanitarian issues, and in multilateral settings</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Ron Milam, Texas Tech University</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Ta Minh Tuan, Insitute of Foreign Policy and Strategic Studies, DAV</li> <li>- Dr. Alexander Vuving, Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies</li> <li>- Mr. Le Kim Dung, Institute for Military Strategies, Vietnam</li> <li>- Mr. Bill Wise, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University</li> <li>- Ms. Catharin Dalpino, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University</li> </ul>
<b>10.00 – 10.15</b>	<b>Tea break</b>
<b>10.15 – 11.45</b>	<p><b>Session 5: The Vietnam-US relationship in the coming 15 years: Main policy orientations</b></p> <p><i>Themes for discussion:</i> Frameworks for long-term and stable relations; (guiding principles; confidence building, etc.)</p> <p><i>Co-Chairs:</i> Mr. Duong Van Quang, President of the DAV and Dr. Stephen Maxner, Vietnam Center, Texas Tech University</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Nguyen Huu Chi, Department of Policy Planning, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam</li> <li>- Mr. Tran Dac Loi, Vietnam Union of Friendship Organizations</li> <li>- Dr. Tuong Vu, University of Oregon</li> <li>- Dr. Charles Bailey, Director, Special Initiative on Agent Orange,</li> </ul>

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<b>11.45-12.00</b>	<b>Closing session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Closing remark by H.E. Michael Michalak</li> <li>- Closing remark by Prof. Duong Van Quang</li> </ul>
<b>12.00 – 13.30</b>	<b>Lunch</b> Host: The Asia Foundation
<b>13.30 – 16.30</b>	<b>Follow-up activities (optional)</b> (Hosted by Mr. Ngo Duy Ngo, Vice President of the DAV) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meeting with DAV students</li> <li>- Follow-up discussion with Institute for Foreign Policy and Strategic Studies (DAV) researchers</li> <li>- Visits to various ministries, universities and research institutes in Hanoi</li> <li>- Other programs at US participants' initiatives</li> </ul>
<b>18.00</b>	<b>Farewell dinner</b> Hosted by H.E. Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Foreign Minister of Vietnam