



**GREEN GROWTH**

A EuroCham Vietnam Sector Committee



# GGSC E-BULLETIN

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## RENEWABLE ENERGY

**The Public Consultation Workshop on DPPA Design and Pilot Planning for Vietnam took place in Hanoi on 12th June.**

*In summary of the presentations made by ERAV/USAID/VLEEP, there will be a process of investors/buyers submitting bids for c 400 MW of renewable schemes by end of this year/early next which will then be assessed by ERAV/MOIT and a range of pilot's chosen, with plan to commence later in 2020.*

## ACCESS TO CLEAN ENERGY IN VIETNAM

VBF Power and Energy Working Group held the Access to Clean Energy Event with participation from Dragon Capital and Rentaport/Deep C in partnership with the Central Economics Commission of the Communist Party on 19th June.

VBF Power and Energy Working Group launched a consultation with the Government of Vietnam on the Made in Vietnam Energy Plan 2.0 (2020).

EuroCham GGSC submitted contributions to the VBF Energy and Power working Group Position Paper at the Meeting with the Government and Prime Minister of Vietnam on 18th June.

## VIETNAM GATHERS OPINIONS ON DIRECT POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

The Ministry of Industry and Trade (MoIT) and the US Embassy introduced a proposal for a Direct Power Purchase Agreement (DPPA) in Việt Nam.

The DPPA mechanism is an enormous opportunity for solar and wind developers to mobilise private capital to build major new solar and wind energy farms. Also, emphasised the critical need for accurate power market data to support low-risk transactions to power the clean energy revolution in Việt Nam.

## CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMISSION (CEC) - VIETNAM BUSINESS FORUM (VBF) DIALOGUE

The private sector sees renewable energy as an opportunity, not a burden. VBF is looking forward to supporting the State in renewable energy development. Several sharing from private sector during that dialogue including from our GGSC Members: **DeepC**, **ABB** and **Heineken**.

Presented by Mr. Hans Kerstens, Head of Sales & Marketing, DEEP C Industrial Zones introduces key to sustainable industrial development with renewable energy.

ABB shared their focuses on three main areas: Energy efficiency; Transport and the use of energy and Renewable energy with their ambition cut down 40% green gas emissions by 2020.

Finally Heineken shared their global commitment to use 70%

renewable for its operation. However, Heineken Vietnam has the ambition to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2021 especially with The new factory in Ba Ria – Vung Tau is expected to be the first “green” factory in South East Asia with 100% biomass energy.



## SUSTAINABLE CITIES

**It received over 150 participants, including representatives of the Ho Chi Minh City Department of Architecture and Urban Planning, Government agencies, EuroCham Executive Committee Members, EuroCham members and partners, investors, developers, project owners and news agencies.**

## “MOVING TOWARD SUSTAINABLE CITIES” EVENT

Conference on the 29th of May, which was co-organized by EuroCham Green Growth Sector Committee (GGSC) and Vietnam Green Building Council (VGBC). The conference includes as well booth from our sponsors: CBRE, St Gobain, INSEE and Dragon Capital.

The conference provided information on the role of green buildings, smart infrastructure, effective waste treatment systems, and clean energy toward sustainable development. It also provided cooperation opportunities for the private sector to join with Ho Chi Minh City in heading toward a sustainable city.



## CIRCULAR ECONOMY

***Mr. Tomaso Andreatta,  
Vice Chairman of  
EuroCham and Chairman  
of EuroCham’s Green  
Growth Sector Committee,  
shared recommendations***

## STRENGTHENING COORDINATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN ADDRESSING THE ISSUES OF PLASTIC WASTE IN VIETNAM

On the 5th of June, 2019 in Ho Chi Minh City, the European Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam (EuroCham) organised the Conference: “Plastic Waste – How Public and Private Sectors Can Help to Address the Issue”.

*from European businesses on plastic waste management. Initiatives of businesses, especially in the packaging industry, will make a huge impact on plastic waste management. BASF, a European business keen on supporting the circular economy and sustainability solutions, gave real-life examples through their presentations at the conference.*

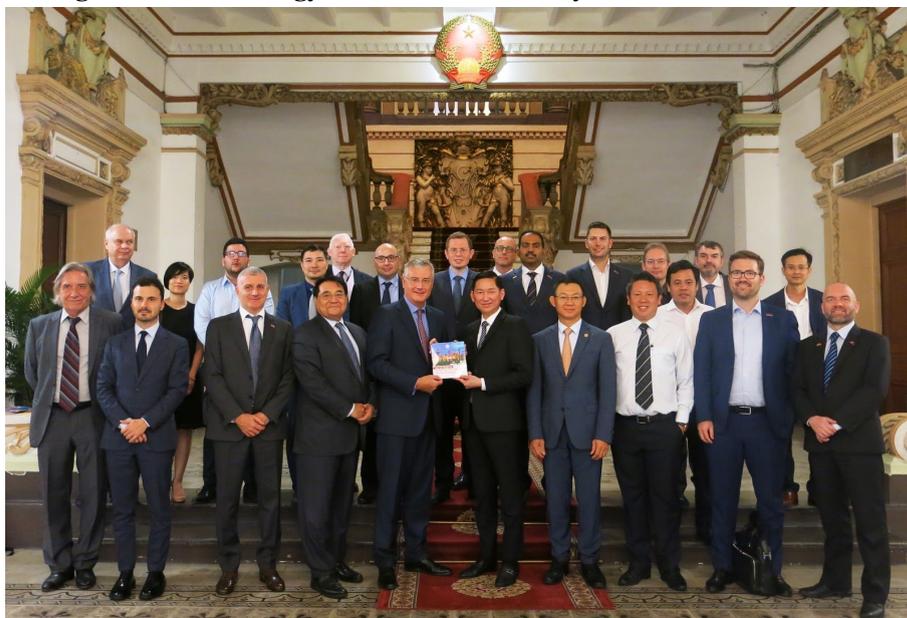
The conference brought together more than 100 participants including representatives from the Government, multinational organisations, researchers, institutions and the domestic and foreign business communities. Gathering an audience from different sectors and areas, EuroCham aims to strengthen the coordination between the public and private sectors in addressing the issues of plastic waste in Vietnam.



## COMMUNICATION

### **EUROCHAM DIALOGUE WITH HO CHI MINH CITY PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENTS**

On 11th July, GGSC from EuroCham held a dialogue with HCMC People's Committee and Departments to discuss about the management of environmental issues that affects the urbanization of HCMC. GGSC aims to promote green and sustainable development in Vietnam including in HCMC. Mr. Nguyen Cong Minh Bao – GGSC Vice Chairman stated some outstanding efforts of GGSC to broadcast the concept of protecting the environment and sustainable development. Also, GGSC is keen on collaboration in all aspects of smart and innovative city. Authorities and companies can together ensure combining solutions in green buildings, traffic, waste management and energy, toward a smart city.



Moreover, Mr. Tran Vinh Tuyen – Vice Chairman of HCMC People's Committee – did share the opinions about environmental issues and hope to receive support from EuroCham regarding this matter. The sharing was mainly focused on how the city deploy projects to waste

management, plastic waste, energy and smart city. Mr. Tuyen also expressed his willingness for cooperating with EuroCham – GGSC in raising awareness for the citizens about such issues. Furthermore, HCMC Department of Urban Planning and Architecture is also working on this plan. Hence, they will provide documents on piloting and organisation to EuroCham for consideration to participate in.



## COMMUNICATION

### GGSC'S COMMUNICATION ROADMAP

#### Internal Activities:

- GGSC Annual General Meeting (1time/year)
- GGSC Board Meeting (Quarterly)
- GGSC Working Group Meeting (based on group leader)

#### External Activities:

- Green Growth Forum (online platform in replacement of the GreenBook)
- GGSC Events & Press Releases
  - Breakfast Talk Event in HCMC on 14 Aug on Sustainable Cities for Operators, Property & Facility management
  - Sustainable Cities Major Event in Ha Noi planned in Q4 2019

## GGSC MEMBERS

**1. Dragon Capital** commissioned its 40MW solar farm in Mui Ne Vietnam on 4th June 2019. It is the first 100% foreign developed and owned solar farm in Vietnam. The first to use replicable non-recourse project finance from a Vietnamese bank.

**2. INSEE Ecocycle** is very proud to partner in OPTOCE project as the pioneer and leader in co-processing in Vietnam. Co-processing is the use of waste as raw material and/or as a source of energy to replace natural mineral resources (material recycling) and fossil fuels such as coal, petroleum and gas (energy recovery).

Together with SINTEF as the implementing agency of OPTOCE, authorities and other industrial partners INSEE aim to make a real difference in improved plastic waste management by turning non-recyclable plastics into a resource for greener cement production at our Hon Chong plant.

**3. The Solar Power Utility Company** was launched to provide electricity from rooftop solar systems to commercial and industrial buildings in Vietnam, with lead investor **Dragon Capital Group**.

#### 4. Addressing the challenge of plastic waste in Vietnam.



At a conference co-organized by **BASF**, a member of GGSC, and the European Chamber of Commerce on June 5 in Ho Chi Minh City. BASF representatives discussed how it is applying circular economy in its operations by using resources across the value chain. Tomaso Andreatta, Chairman of GGSC, gave a keynote speech on “Recommendations from European businesses on plastic waste management”. A roundtable discussion was also hosted to discuss about the importance of waste management and how private companies can address the challenge in collaboration with local authorities and other partners.

WELCOME NEW  
GGSC MEMBERS



#### 1. Royal Haskoning DHV Vietnam Company Limited.



Representatives at GGSC are:

- Mr. Pham Tuan Khoa - Green Building Consultant, LEED AP BD+C
- Mr. Le Luong Vang - Green Building Services Engineer

#### 2. Saint-Gobain Vietnam Company Limited (re-joined).



Representatives at GGSC is:

- Ms. Hang Phan, Technical & Sustainability Director

#### 3. Deep C Green Energy Vietnam Company Limited.



Representatives at GGSC are:

- Mr. Jeroen De Wachter - Renewable Energy Engineer
- Mr. Kazuma Takahashi - Project Manager
- Mr. Niels Hubert - Chief Operating Officer