



Green Growth Sector Committee Introduction 2024



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About GGSC

GGSC is one of the most active sector committees in EuroCham with one of the largest membership (more than 70 members)

01

Established in May 2014

GGSC promotes green businesses in Vietnam



02

Aims to work with stakeholders

Mainstream green business
Abolish barriers
Facilitate the dialogues
Make 'green' and 'growth' compatible



03

What are GGSC doing?

Policy Advocacy
Connecting Businesses & Experts
GEFE & WhiteBook contributions
Share practices through workshops, events



04

Partners

Vietnamese Government & local authorities
European and Vietnamese companies
Vietnam expert groups and associations
Other stakeholders



GGSC Key achievements in 2023

Papers publication

1



Members

2

% membership growth in 2024: 15.2%
total members: 72

Stakeholders

3

Ministry of Construction, Ministry of Natural Resources & Environment
HCM PC, NA, MOIT
GIZ, Becamex, Vietnam Green Building Council, AmCham, World Bank, IMF, WWF, DVET, VGBC, ADB

6 Events

4



Communications

5

Social Media:
New Facebook fanpage: 101 likes – 125 followers (growth of 150%)
LinkedIn page: 790 followers (growth of 64%)

Publication:
Bi-weekly press cuts for GGSC members & Newsletter (twice/year)

Operation


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Maintain monthly Board meetings for planning and updates

Collaboration with EUROCHAM

- Collaborates with EuroCham on content for GEFE 2022, GEF 2023 & upcoming **GEFE** 2024
- Board & members participate as speakers & moderators

GGSC contributed chapter 8&9 on EuroCham **Whitebook** launched in Jan 2024



Green Economy Forum & Exhibition 2022

5.900+ visitors over 3 days

30+ conferences & panel discussions on green topics/sustainability

6.000 sqm exhibition space

185 exhibitors

8 national pavilions

161 SPEAKERS
Including Government officials and business leaders from Vietnam and Europe

1500+ CEOs & decision makers attended the event

230+ articles on TV, radio and e-news



MODERATORS

SPEAKERS

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- 1. RENEWABLE ENERGY & ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 2. SUSTAINABLE FINANCE
- 3. DECARBONISATION IN MANUFACTURING & TRADE
- 4. GREEN BUILDINGS & CONSTRUCTION
- 5. CIRCULAR ECONOMY
- 6. WAYS OUT OF THE WATER CRISIS
- 7. SUSTAINABLE FOOD & AGRICULTURE
- 8. SUSTAINABLE TOURISM
- 9. DIGITALISATION & EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
- 10. STRENGTHENING GREEN HR
- 11. LOGISTICS

CHAPTER 9 ENERGY AND ELECTRICITY

OVERVIEW

The EuroCham Green Growth Sector Committee (GGSC) welcomes and supports the priorities of the Government in managing and developing the energy market in Vietnam. In particular, we applaud the additional emphasis on clean energy in Resolution 55¹ and the visionary stance described therein. The Political Bureau of the Central Committee can be assured of our continued support for this strategy. EuroCham also recognises the commitments that Vietnam made at COP 21 and COP 26 and wishes to contribute to their fulfilment.

Energy impacts all aspects of Vietnam's environment. As such, the approach to developing it may compound or reduce climate and environmental impacts.

We acknowledge Vietnam's impressive and rapid growth of solar and wind power. The expansion of indigenous solar energy reached 27 per cent of national power production capacity by the end of 2020, with 16,500MW of solar installed by this date.²

We also note the growth in demand from power-consuming companies for clean energy for their businesses in Vietnam. Often, this is part of a corporate commitment to 100 per cent clean energy use in the near future. This, in turn, is part of a global movement driven by consumer expectations. In many Asian countries, a 100 per cent clean energy supply is achievable without financial penalties to the consumer. However, Vietnam has limited mechanisms available to achieve this goal. This impacts upon its attractiveness as a manufacturing location.

The cost of producing clean energy has decreased as markets have reached large-scale around the world, making wind and solar the cheapest power options in global markets. The economic benefits of this trend are visible in Vietnam in areas where solar rooftop utility companies can supply manufacturing consumers with electricity 20 per cent cheaper than the Vietnam Electricity (EVN) tariff. This reduction of operating costs is a major benefit to manufacturers, and we strongly support the continued development of low-cost clean energy in Vietnam.

Electricity produced by coal-fired thermal plants impacts air, water, and land pollution more than energy produced from any other source.³ In the short term, installing more filters in coal-fired plants will reduce emissions. However, in the medium-term, it will be more economical, safe, and strategically resilient to switch to indigenous renewable sources and to seriously engage in energy efficiency. EuroCham would welcome confirmation of the Draft Power Development Plan (PDPP) VIII that no new coal power plants will be licensed in Vietnam.⁴ While

CHAPTER 10 GREEN GROWTH

OVERVIEW

The Green Growth Sector Committee (GGSC) was established in 2014 to help develop the conditions for environmentally sound and sustainable businesses to prosper in Vietnam. Representing the private sector, GGSC works closely with public stakeholders, including the Government of Vietnam and its agencies, as well as donors and multilateral organisations.

1. CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Relevant authorities: Ministry of Finance (MOF), Ministry of Industry and Trade (MITI), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE), Ministry of Planning and Investment (MPI), Ministry of Health (MOH), Ministry of Construction (MOC), Ministry of Transport (MOT), Vietnam Environment Administration (VEA).

The 'Circular Economy' is a new model of production and consumption. It involves sharing, leasing, redesigning, recovering, reusing, repairing, refurbishing and recycling existing materials and products for as long as possible. It is a more sustainable model of growth than the linear economy of 'produce – use – discard' as it reduces waste to a minimum and uses discarded materials productively again and again in a different form. In doing so, it reduces the need for new raw materials and removes most waste and pollution from production.

We appreciate the progress of the new Law on Environmental Protection, especially the introduction of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). The role of the new Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) is still to be clarified and we recommend that the Government enable more participants (the private sector, NGOs, and Producer Responsibility Organization (PROs) to organise efforts the more toward circularity. In particular, we recommend that the private sector is involved in decisions prepared and taken by the EPF.

1. Waste management

Issue description

Vietnam's Law on Environmental Protection operates under the principles of minimisation, re-use, collection, and treatment meeting environmental standards.⁵ However, most waste is still dumped into landfill without further processing, with 89 per cent of all solid waste in Hanoi and 70 per cent in Ho Chi Minh City being disposed of in this way.⁶ Unsanitary waste disposal not only causes environmental hazards and nuisance. It also wastes materials that could be recycled or, at least, used for energy generation. While we need to quickly devise a system to segregate dangerous waste to be treated in cement kilns, other waste can, for a time, also be

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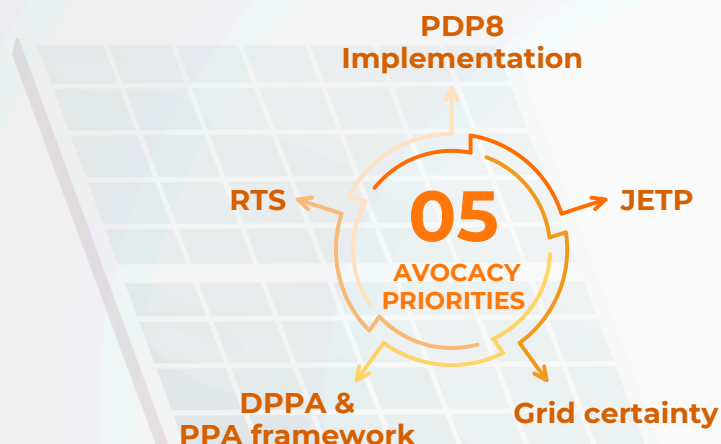


Khuất Quang Hưng
Vice Chair
Circular Economy

- Decisions are made collectively with critical issues voted upon with a simple majority based on one vote from each of the GGSC board members
- The Co-chairmen's main responsibilities are to balance the work and messages of the various working groups
- The heads of WGs have plenty of autonomy to organize the work and to report it outside
- The other horizontal responsibilities are with the Communication, Events and Treasury Vice Chairs



Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency WG Roadmap



- 1** GEFE 2024
- 2** Dialogue with other business associations
- 3** Dialogue with provinces
- 4** Dialogue with State-Owned Enterprise



HOW TO DELIVER THESE?



ADVOCACY

- EuroCham/GGSC
- Other business associations
- Comment upon draft laws and regulations



EVENTS

- Collaboration with other entities



STRUCTURE OPERATION

- Working group activities
- Ad-hoc gathering on specific topic



Water WG Roadmap



Law on Water
Supply and
Sanitation

02
ADVOCACY
PRIORITIES

Blue-Green
Infrastructure

04
KEY
EVENTS

1

GEFE 2024
Water session

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Green Excursion in Hue
Networking

3

Water-wise buildings
in coop with
SC Sustainable Buildings

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Excursions



HOW TO DELIVER THESE?



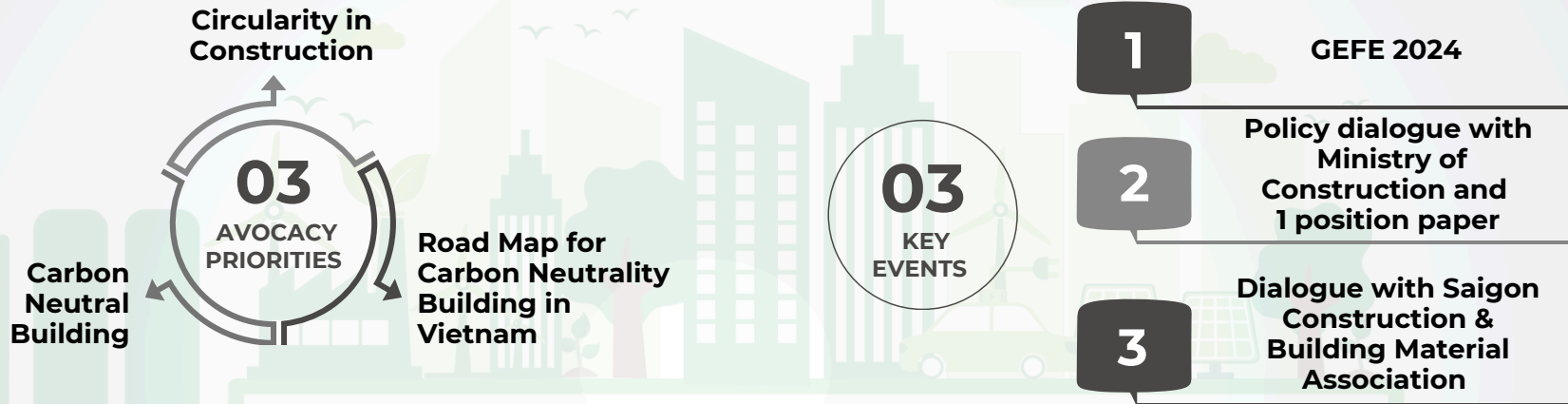
ADVOCACY

- EuroCham/GGSC
- Meeting with Ministry of Construction and/or HCMC PC





Sustainable Cities and Buildings WG Roadmap



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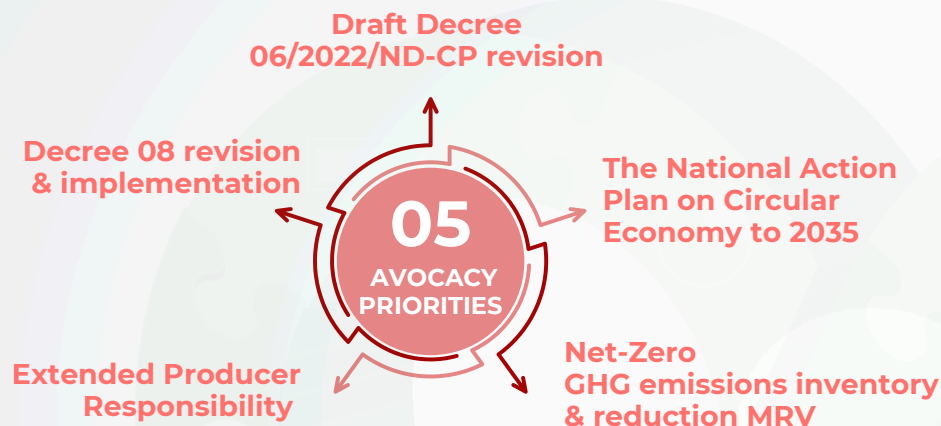


ADVOCACY

- EuroCham/GGSC
- Other business associations
- Engage with Government, Vietnam Green Building Council, SACA, VietNam Institute For Building Materials



Circular Economy WG Roadmap



- 1** GEFE 2024 CE session
- 2** The National CE Conference
- 3** Policy dialogues with stakeholders in CE related events



HOW TO DELIVER THESE?



ADVOCACY

- EuroCham/GGSC
- Other business associations



EVENTS

- Core team to manage key events



STRUCTURE OPERATION

- Kick-off meeting in May to align on CEWG's 2024 workplan and way forwards

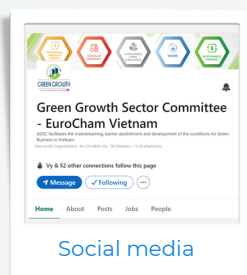




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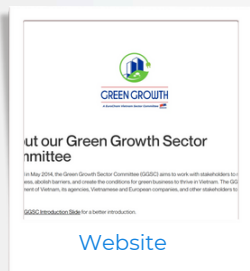
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Social media



Semiannual
E-bulletin

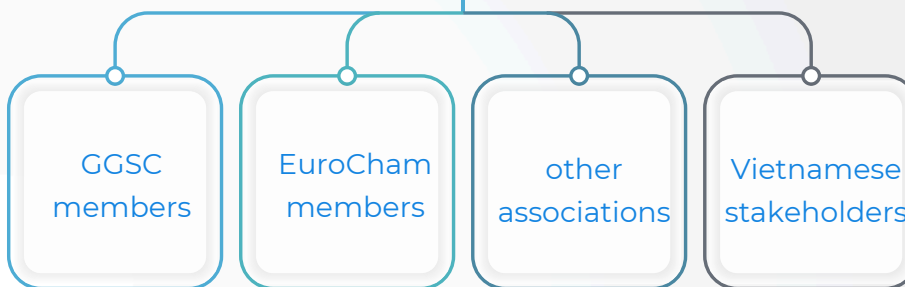


Website



Bi-weekly
Presscuts

Stakeholders



Event Organization





Events



Mission

Build a wider network for sustainability

Promote sustainability

Increase visibility for GGSC

Green Drinks Series (GD)

Format

Events in HCMC, Hanoi, Hue

2 evenings/quarter, open to all

Sustainable art, heritage & culture focus

Mission

Provided discussions with top experts

Practical exercises

Updated insights

Green Morning Vietnam! Workshop (GMVW)

Format

Workshops in HCMC, Hanoi & Hue

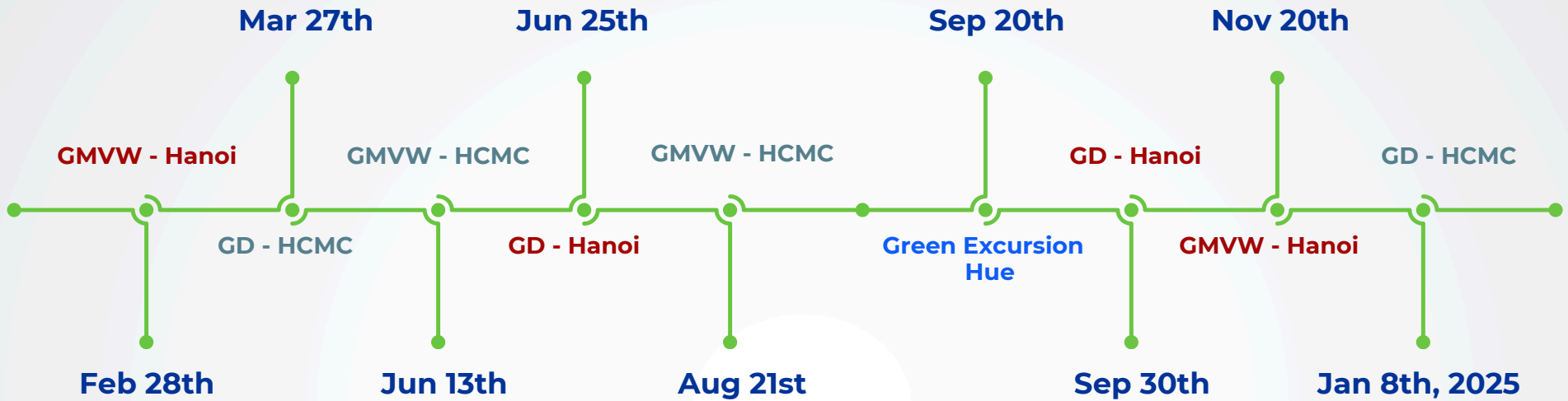
1 GMVW/ quarter
1 GD/ quarter

Exclusive to GGSC members





Events



GGSC commitment to Sustainable Events



Sector Committees Existing Collaboration



Sector Committees Business Associations Future Collaboration





Why should you and your organization get involved?



Organize roundtable discussion with authorities, topics specific workshops with experts & peers to improve Vietnam's green environment.

Networking in our events with like-minded individuals & companies focussing on the green agenda.

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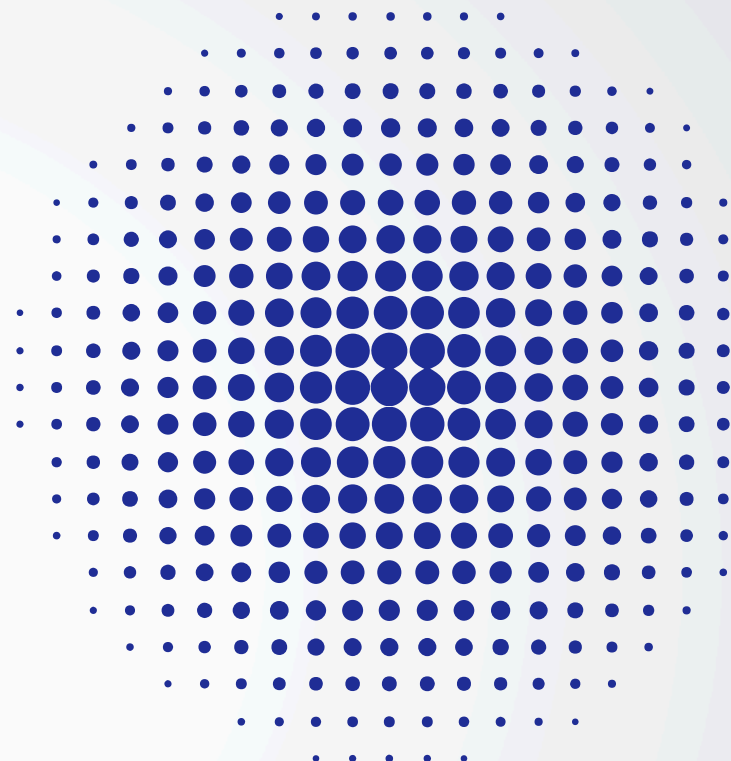
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Access to key stakeholders through GGSC & EuroCham to voice your concerns and include your "common" recommendations into our advocacy/position paper to government.

Increase your exposure and visibility through our communication channels.

Make a difference as part of an active role to improve green growth and investments in Vietnam.





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