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May 24th

Evening Reception at The U.S. Ambassador Residence Hosted by Ambassador Michael W. Michalak in Hanoi (by invitation only)

May 25th, Hanoi Agenda

MORNING PLENARY

8:00 - 8:30 - Registration

8:30 - 8:45 - Opening Remarks, The Honorable Michael W. Michalak, U.S. Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

8:45 - 9:15 - Opening Keynote: Vice Minister Nguyen Van Duc, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE)

9:15 - 9:45 - Vietnam's Environment and Climate Change Challenges: A Vision Towards 2020, Dr. Tran Thuc, Director of Institute for Hydro-meteorology and Environment Studies, The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE)

9:45 Break

10:00 Panel #1: Sustainable Energy and Water Technology Options, Moderated by Nguyen Ngoc Ly, Director, Centre for Environment and Community Research

- Overview of Vietnam's available water and energy resources, Mr. Hoang Van Bay, Director of the Water Resources Management Department (MONRE)
- Affordable renewable energy options for Vietnam, Oliver Massmann, Partner, Duane Morris, LLC
- Water conservation technologies for agriculture and industrial use, Dr. Raymond Miller, Director International Programs, University of Maryland College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

11:00 Panel #2: Assessment of Climate Change Impacts on Vietnam, Moderated by Dr. Nguyen, Chu Hoi, Deputy Administrator, Vietnam Administration of Seas and Islands

- Urban Adaptation to Climate Change, Matthias Ruth, Director, University of Maryland/Center for Integrative Environmental Research
- Impacts of Climate Change on Industry, Dr. Doan Duy Khuong, Vice President, Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI)

12:00 Lunch

12:30 Lunch & Keynote: Singapore's Water Story, Mr. Ng Han Tong, Director, Industry Development, Singapore Public Utilities Board

1:00 Luncheon speaker: The Creative City at Phu Yen - Designed for Sustainability, Steve Klenk, President, Galileo Investment Group

AFTERNOON PANEL SESSIONS



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1:30 Panel #3: The Toll of Extreme Weather Events Affecting Vietnam's Economic Goals,
Moderated by Vance Hum, President and CEO, I.M. Systems Group

- An update on U.S. and Vietnam efforts in Coastal and Marine Science and Technology Cooperation, Clement Lewsey, Director, International Programs Office, National Oceans Service, NOAA
- Interpreting Climatic data to project future weather extremes, Jonathan Justi, Asia Program Manager, International Programs Office, National Oceans Service, NOAA

2:30 Panel #4: Measuring, Monitoring and Reporting of Environmental Conditions, moderated by Michael Violette, President of Washington Laboratories and Director of AmericanTCB

- Measurement of Dioxins in Air, Water and Soil using High Resolution Mass Spectroscopy, Dr. Lan Le, Environmental Testing Conference Liaison, Columbia Analytical Services
- Pollution Prevention, Control and Monitoring: Activities in Vietnam, Nguyen Anh Tuan, PhD, Senior Officer of Pollution Control Department, Vietnam Environment Administration (VEA), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE)
- Le Dai Thang, MSc., Head of Division, Division of Management of technical infrastructure for marine survey. Bureau of marine resources and environment survey and control. Vietnam Administration of Seas and Islands (VASI). Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE).

3:30 Break

3:45 Panel #5: Public-Private Roundtable Discussion on Viable Projects and Financing Tools for Vietnam's Environment and Climate Change Needs: Moderated by Alexander Koff, Chairman, Global Practice, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP

- Overview of multilateral and bilateral efforts to address Vietnam's resource needs, Koos Neefjes, Climate Change Advisor, UNDP
- Jim Packard Winkler, Ph.D., Project Director, USAID/Vietnam Competitiveness Initiative, Implemented by DAI
- Eng. Vu Kim Quyen, Executive Director, South East Asia Water Utilities Network
- Nathan Sage, Southeast Asia Program Advisor to the Pacific Disaster Center

5:00 Conference Wrap-up and Next Steps

May 27th, Ho Chi Minh City Agenda

MORNING PLENARY

8:00 - 8:30 - Registration

8:30 - 8:45 - Opening Remarks and Introduction; Peter Gourlay, President, Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership and Michael Violette, President of Washington Laboratories/Director of American TCB

8:45 - 9:15 - Opening Presentation: Ho Chi Minh City's Sustainability Initiative, (Speaker from Peoples Organizing Committee)

9:15 - 9:45 - Welcome from the American Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Herb

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9:45 - 10:00 - Break

10:00 - Panel #1: Opening Speaker, Jennifer Ludders, Economic Officer, U.S. Consulate General in Ho Chi Minh City.

- Roundtable Highlights Showcasing Environmental Technology Options Featuring US Trade Delegates Moderated by Peter Gourlay, President, MD-AEP

11:00 - Panel #2 Environmental Impact on Vietnam's Agricultural and Fish Exports, Vance Hum, President and CEO of I.M. Systems Group

- Technologies for Measuring, Monitoring and Controlling Wastes, Dr. Lan Le, Columbia Analytical Services, Inc.
- Role of the Environmental Standards in Monitoring and Control the Impact on Vietnams Agricultural and Fish Exports, Ms. Le Thanh Ngoc, Directorate for Standards and Quality
- Monitoring and verification methods in the US, Steve Vincent, President Columbia Analytical Services and Past Chair, American Council of Independent Laboratories

AFTERNOON PANEL SESSIONS

12:15 - 1:30 - Conference Wrap Up and Next Steps: Peter Gourlay, President of the Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership, Michael Violette, President of Washington Laboratories and Alexander Koff, Chairman, Global Practice, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston

12:30 - Luncheon Speaker: Assessment of Climate Change Impacts on the Mekong Delta, Dr. Nguyen, Chu Hoi, Deputy Administrator, Vietnam Administration of Seas and Islands

2:00 - 5:00 - Matchmaking Meetings Arranged by the Vietnamese Chamber of Commerce and Industry