

**Equatorial Ho Chi Minh City Hotel**  
242 Tran Binh Trong, District 5, Ho Chi Minh City  
*Saturday 22 April 2023, 8.30am – 5pm*

## AGENDA

**Guest arrival** **8.30 - 9.00am**

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### Opening session

**MC: Dr Nguyen Thu Le Hang**  
Victoria University alumna  
Head of Liberal Education, Vietnam National University,  
University of Languages and International Studies

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**Opening remarks** **9.00 - 9.20am**

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**Keynote speaker** **9.20 - 9.50am**

**Mr Nguyen Ba Diep**  
Curtin University alumnus  
Co-founder - MoMo

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**Group photo** **9.50 - 9.55am**

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Move to concurrent alumni presentations

# Australian Alumni Symposium 1

**Harnessing Resources**



# Morning sessions

Each session includes 20 minutes presentation and 20 minutes for Q&A

## ROOM 1 (SAIGON I ROOM)

### Women in the Private and Community Sector

**Facilitator:**  
**Ms Nguyen Thi Hong Chi**  
*Flinders University alumna  
Lecturer - Ho Chi Minh City  
University of Culture*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Vu Thi Thuy Hang**  
*James Cook University  
alumna Senior  
Lecturer - Vietnam National  
University of Agriculture*

“Participation as an end for engaging women of ethnic minority groups in more profitable vegetable value chains”

## ROOM 2 (DALAT ROOM)

### Careers in Higher Education

**Facilitator:**  
**Mr Pham Huu Hoang**  
*University of New South  
Wales alumna  
Alumni Relations Manager -  
RMIT Vietnam University*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Dang Thi Ngoc Lan**  
*University of Sydney alumna  
Director of Language Center  
and Foundation Year -  
German University*

**Co- presenter:**  
**Dr Nguyen Thi Lan Huong  
(online)**  
*University of Melbourne  
alumna  
Lecturer - La Trobe University*

“Women and leadership in academia in Vietnam and Australia”

## ROOM 3 (SAPA ROOM)

### Protecting Resources

**Facilitator:**  
**Dr Hoang Van Chuyen**  
*University of Newcastle  
alumna  
Lecturer - HCMC University of  
Technology and Education*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Tran Nam Nghiep  
(online)**  
*University of Adelaide  
alumna  
Associate Dean of  
International Strategic  
Partnerships for South East  
Asia, Faculty of Sciences,  
Engineering and Technology  
– The University of Adelaide*

“Australia and Vietnam partnering for carbon removal: case study of biochar production from rice husk in the Mekong Delta”

10.00 -  
10.40  
am

## 10.45 - 11.00 am : Morning break

**Presenter:**  
**Ms Nguyen Ngoc Khanh Van**  
*University of Queensland  
alumna  
Director, Center for  
Knowledge Co-creation and  
Development Research (Thua  
Thien-Hue)*

“Empowering women through knowledge co-creation”chains”

**Presenter:**  
**Assoc. Prof. Bach Ngoc Thang**  
*University of Queensland  
alumna  
Associate Professor - National  
Economics University*

“PhD Training under Higher Education Reforms”

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Dinh Xuan Hoan (online)**  
*University of Sydney alumna  
Research fellow - Japan  
International Research  
Center for Agricultural  
Sciences*

“Protecting plants from diseases: Case study from isolating a novel gene resistant to barley leaf rust disease”

11.00 -  
11.40  
am

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Tran Ha Uyen Thi**  
*RMIT University alumna  
Lecturer - Hue University of  
Economics*

“Upskilling women for online businesses: Case study of e-marketplaces in Thua Thien Hue and Quang Nam provinces”

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Tran Thi Quang Hong  
(online)**  
*Monash University alumna  
Founder - Legal Connect*

“Applying Australian-trained legal knowledge in Vietnam”

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Phan Le Thien Thuat**  
*University of Tasmania  
alumna  
Consultant*

“Using new ingredient selection techniques to improve the efficiency of fish farming”

11.45-  
12.25  
pm

## 12.30 - 1.30pm : Noon break

# Afternoon sessions

Each session includes 20 minutes presentation and 20 minutes for Q&A

## ROOM 1 (SAIGON I ROOM)

### Alumni Pathways

**Facilitator:**  
**Dr Vo Thi Hoang Yen**  
*La Trobe University alumna  
Director - The Disability  
Research and Capacity  
Development (DRD)*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Vuong Ngoc Thuy**  
*Queensland University of  
Technology alumna  
Researcher - HCMC Institute  
of Public Health*

"Reducing gender inequality  
for ethnic minority women: A  
comprehensive policy  
approach"

**Presenter:**  
**Ms Huynh Ngoc Hong  
Nhung**  
*Flinders University alumna  
President - Can Tho  
Association of People with  
Disabilities*

"Can Tho City Association of  
People with Disabilities as a  
model for inclusion of people  
with disabilities"

## ROOM 2 (DALAT ROOM)

### Enhancing Employability

**Facilitator:**  
**Ms Le Thi Phuong Lien**  
*RMIT University alumna  
Lecturer - Ho Chi Minh City  
Open University*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Tran Thi Tuyet (online)**  
*La Trobe University alumna  
Academic - RMIT University*

"Career education - a big gap  
in education policy"

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Nguyen Thu Le Hang**  
*Victoria University alumna  
Head of Liberal Education  
Vietnam National University,  
University of Languages and  
International Studies*

"Promoting liberal education  
for university students:  
Enhancing employability and  
career prospects"

## ROOM 3 (SAPA ROOM)

### Trade, Investment and Supply Chains

**Facilitator:**  
**Dr Pham Nguyen Anh Huy**  
*University of South Australia  
alumnus  
Senior Lecturer in Finance -  
RMIT University Vietnam*

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Pham Thi Hoa**  
*University of Melbourne  
alumna  
Specialist - Lam Dong Crop  
Production and Plant  
Protection Sub-department*

**Co-presenter:**  
**Prof. Derek Baker (online)**  
*Professor - University of New  
England*

"Growth in collaborative  
supply chain development"

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Le Nhat Tan**  
*University of Wollongong  
alumnus  
Lecturer - Fulbright Vietnam  
university*

"Pricing non-recourse stock  
loans"

1.30 -  
2.10  
pm

2.15 -  
2.55  
pm

## 3.00 - 3.15 pm: Afternoon break

**Presenter:**  
**Dr Le Xuan Mai**  
*University of Sydney alumna  
Head of Department/  
Lecturer - Can Tho University*

"Online professional  
development for English  
language teacher: Case study  
from the Mekong Delta"

**Presenter:**  
**Ms Phan Nguyen Mai Trang**  
*Griffith University alumna  
Vice Dean - Ho Chi Minh City  
College of Economics*

"Applying Competency-Based  
Training and Assessment in  
logistics training"

**Presenter:**  
**Ms Nguyen Thanh Tra**  
*La Trobe University alumna  
Official - Center for World  
Trade Organisation and  
International Trade - Vietnam  
Chamber of Commerce and  
Industry (VCCI)*

"Overview of Australia's FDI in  
Vietnam and assessment of  
Vietnam's investment  
environment"

3.15 -  
3.55  
pm

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## **Closing session**

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University of Languages and International Studies

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**Alumni contribution to Vietnam's development: Presentation Summary** **4.00 - 4.30pm**

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**Closing remarks** **4.30 – 4.45pm**

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**Program close** **4.45pm**