

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

### “Forum for Economic Cooperation between Viet Nam and Middle East – North Africa partners”

(Hanoi, 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> November 2013)

<i>4<sup>th</sup> November 2013</i>	
<i>9h00 – 9h45</i>	<b>Opening Ceremony:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Opening remarks by H.E. Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam;</li><li>- Keynote speech by H.E. Mr. Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam;</li><li>- Remarks by a Head of Delegation on behalf of the participating countries.</li></ul>
<i>9h45 – 10h00</i>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<i>10h00 – 12h00</i>	<b>General Session:</b> Overview of the investment and business environment chaired by Minister of Planning and Investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Speech by Minister of Planning and Investment;</li><li>- Interventions by Heads of Delegations (5 minutes each, in ranking and alphabetical order);</li><li>- Discussion.</li></ul>
<i>12h00 – 13h30</i>	<b>Working lunch:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Working lunch for invited guests</li></ul>
<i>13h30 – 15h00</i>	<b>Session I:</b> Cooperation in energy, trade and infrastructure development chaired by Minister of Industry and Commerce <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Speech by Minister of Industry and Commerce;</li><li>- Interventions by Heads of Delegations and some Vietnamese Ministries and Agencies;</li></ul>

	- Discussion.
15h00 – 15h15	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15h15 – 16h45	<p><i>Session II: Cooperation in labour, agriculture and tourism chaired by Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Speech by Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development;</li> <li>- Interventions by Heads of Delegations and some Vietnamese Ministries and Agencies;</li> <li>- Discussion.</li> </ul>
17h00 – 18h00	<i>Business match-making</i>
17h30 – 18h00	<i>Courtesy call by Heads of Delegations on H.E. State President Truong Tan Sang</i>
19h45 – 21h00	<p><i>Dinner hosted by H.E. Foreign Minister Pham Binh Minh for invited guests from Viet Nam and MENA countries and selected enterprises</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Remarks by H.E. Mr. Pham Binh Minh, Minister of Foreign Affairs concluding the Forum;</li> <li>- Remarks by a Head of Delegation;</li> <li>- Musical performances.</li> </ul>
<i>5<sup>th</sup> November 2013</i>	
09h00-10h30	<p><i>Round-Table Discussion on Labour Cooperation</i></p> <p>Registration in advance requested</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bilateral meetings with Vietnamese partners or local authorities;</li> <li>- Sightseeing tours;</li> <li>- Programs for Spouses.</li> </ul> <p>Specific proposals to the program should be submitted to the Organising Committee in advance.</p>

REGISTRATION FORM

FORUM FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION  
BETWEEN VIET NAM AND MIDDLE EAST - NORTH AFRICA PARTNERS

(04-05 November 2013)

Ha Noi, Viet Nam

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Ministry/Organization/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Speech to deliver (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Participation in Round Table on Labour Cooperation \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibition request (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Bilateral meeting request (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Local/Business visit (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel reservation at Grand Plaza Hotel, Ha Noi (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Special requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Kindly send back this Form *before* 10 September 2013.

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Thank you for your cooperation !

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### *“Forum for Economic Cooperation between Viet Nam and Middle East and North Africa Partners”*

The Middle East and North Africa (MENA) is an area of great importance to Viet Nam. Its political and economic ties with the region have been ceaselessly strengthened in recent years. With a view to further promoting economic cooperation with the region to meet the potential and expectation of both sides, the Government of Viet Nam plans to organize the “Forum for Economic Cooperation between Viet Nam and Middle East and North Africa Partners” on 4-5 November 2013 in Ha Noi with the tentative details as follows:

#### **1. Purpose:**

- Creating an opportunity for government policy makers and business leaders to discuss concrete measures to enhance economic cooperation between Vietnam and the region;
- Promoting mutual understanding between Viet Nam and participating MENA countries;
- Creating business opportunities for Vietnamese and MENA businesses in trade, investment, energy, labor, agriculture cooperation, ect.

#### **2. Time and venue:** 04-05 November, 2013 at Grand Plaza Hotel, Ha Noi.

#### **3. Participants:**

- **The Vietnamese side:** Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung; Government Ministers; city and provincial leaders and business leaders.
- **Invited guests:** Ministers/Senior Representatives of MENA Governments, regional organizations, Chambers of Commerce, investment funds, economic groups and MENA business leaders.

#### **4. Forum agenda:**

- Please see the tentative programme attached herewith.
- On the site of the Forum, each participating country will be allocated a suitable space for national exhibition upon request. Spaces will also be offered for businesses free of charge.

**5. Language:** English and Vietnamese (Arabic interpreters can be provided upon request).

#### **6. Protocol and logistics:**

- The Government of Viet Nam will cover accomodation cost at Grand Plaza Ha noi Hotel and domestic travel costs for Head of Official Delegation plus one delegate from each country;
- Visa fees for all delegates will be waived. Delegates from countries that do not have a Vietnamese embassy can collect entry visas upon arrival at Vietnamese airports;
- Delegations are expected to make their own flight bookings and cover their own international travel expenses./.

**List of countries invited to the Forum for Economic Cooperation  
between Viet Nam and Middle East - North Africa partners  
(4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 2013)**

State of Kuwait

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Sultanate of Oman

United Arab Emirates

Kingdom of Bahrain

State of Qatar

Republic of Iraq

Republic of Lebanon

State of Palestine

Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

Arab Republic of Egypt

Kingdom of Morocco

Republic of Tunisia

State of Libya

Republic of Sudan

Islamic Republic of Mauritania

Republic of Djibouti

Republic of Turkey

Islamic Republic of Iran