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# Vietnam Policy and Economy Update 2024

Conference program



- Date and time: 6 December 2024, 8.30am-5.05pm (AEDT)
- Location: [Crawford School of Public Policy](#), the Australian National University ([map](#))
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## About the keynote speakers

### Ngoc Anh Tran

Ngoc-Anh Tran is a professor at the O'Neill School, specializing in the governance issues of developing countries. His current research focuses on performance management and leadership in public organizations. Ngoc-Anh is currently an economic advisor to the Prime Minister of Vietnam. He also serves as chair of Vietnam Initiatives at IU, a global network of experts on development policies for Vietnam. At the same time, he leads two major USAID projects in Vietnam to train senior policymakers and innovate the higher education system. Tran frequently works as consultant for reform initiatives by national governments, the United Nations and the World Bank, and has lived and worked in Russia, France, and Australia. He has participated in UNDP Academic Fellowship, Asia Foundation's Emerging Leaders Program, and the Vietnamese Prime Minister's Research Council. Tran is co-founder of the International Society of Vietnamese Economists.

### Duc-Anh Dang

Dr. Duc-Anh Dang is the Vice President of the Central Institute for Economic Management (CIEM), a leading governmental think tank and advisory body in Vietnam that conducts economic research to support the government's efforts in economic reforms and development strategies. He is deeply committed to advancing public policy, with his research focusing on macroeconomics, trade, labour markets, and economic development within ASEAN countries, particularly Vietnam. In addition to his role at CIEM, he is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Southeast Asia Research Group, which fosters top-tier research by emerging social scientists specializing in Southeast Asian politics. Dr. Dang also works as a consultant for UNDP, USAID, the World Bank, Oxfam, GIZ, and ADB. He earned both his Master of International and Development Economics and Ph.D. in Economics from the Australian National University.

| Time (AEST)                             |   |
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| 8:30-9:00: Crawford School foyer        | <b>Registration</b>   |
| 9:00-9:30: Barton Theatre               | <b>Acknowledgement of Country and Opening Address</b><br>ANU, NEU, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Vietnam's Embassy in Australia  |
| 9:30-10.45<br>Barton Theatre            | <b>Plenary Political and Policy Update</b><br>Vietnam's Coming Era of Rising - Governance Challenges and Solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker: <a href="#">Professor (Ngoc) Anh Tran</a> (Paul H. O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs – Indiana University)</li> <li>• Chair: Professor Janine O'Flynn - Director, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU</li> </ul>  |
| 10.45-11.15:<br>Crawford School foyer   | <b>Group photo and morning tea</b>  |
| 11.15-12.45: Lennox room & Griffin room | <b>Parallel thematic updates</b><br><br><i><b>Macroeconomics and finance:</b> chaired by Associate Professor Chung TRAN (Lennox room)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation 1: Thresholds of asymmetric impact of macroeconomic volatility on long-term stock market volatility – The Case of Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Speaker: Dr Lien NGUYEN</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 2: Can the oil stabilization fund reduce the volatility of domestic prices? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Speaker: Associate Professor The-Anh PHAM</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 3: Evaluating the Impact of Financial Development, Globalization, and Natural Resources Rents on Environmental Quality in Vietnam Across Different Quantiles and Frequencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Speaker: Professor Tho-Dat TRAN</li> </ul> </li> </ul><br><i><b>Trade, environment, and resources:</b> chaired by Dr Thang DO (Griffin Room)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation 1: Water flows and water savings through international agriculture trade: Evidence from Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Speaker: Dr Lan-Anh NGUYEN</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 2: What Motivates Rooftop Solar Power Adoption? Insights from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam: A Combination of Behavioural and Contextual Theories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Speaker: Professor Duc-Truong DINH</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 3: Urban land acquisition policy and residents' satisfaction in Vietnam</li> </ul> |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Associate Professor Phuong-Thao NGO</li> </ul>  |
| 12.45-1.45:<br>Canberry<br>Springbank room | Lunch   |
| 1.45-3.15: Lennox<br>room & Griffin room   | <p><b>Parallel thematic updates</b></p> <p><i><b>Firms, industries, and middle-income trap:</b> Chaired by Associate Professor Long CHU and Associate Professor Nhung NGHIEM (Lennox Room)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation 1: Macroeconomics factors and firm sustainable growth: A Nonlinear Analysis of Agriculture and Manufacturing Firms in Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Professor Huu-Anh NGUYEN</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 2: Navigating Growth: How Institutions Shape Firms on the Path to Optimal Size? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Associate Professor Bich TRAN</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 3: Policies for Vietnam to Overcome the Middle-Income Trap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Associate Professor Ngoc-Son NGUYEN</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i><b>Social Issues and human capital:</b> Chaired by Associate Professor Hoa NGUYEN (Griffin room)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation 1: Assessing the incidence of catastrophic health expenditure among Vietnamese households with older adults and its determinants: Evidence from the Vietnam Household Living Standard Survey 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Professor Thanh-Long GIANG</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 2: Community Structure, Social Networks, And Corruption in Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Associate Professor Quang-Canh LE</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation 3: The Impacts of Human Capital on Economic Growth in Red River Delta. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Speaker: Associate Professor Tuyet-Mai VU</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| 3.15-3.45: Crawford<br>School foyer        | Afternoon tea   |
| 3.45-5.00<br>Barton Theatre                | <p><b>Plenary economic reform update</b></p> <p>Vietnam economic restructuring: Current situation and prospects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaker: Dr Duc-Anh DANG (Vice President of Vietnam's Central Institute for Economic Management)</li> <li>• Chair: Honorary Associate Professor Suiwah Leung</li> </ul>  |
| 5:00-5:05<br>Barton Theatre                | <p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <p>Professor Paul BURKE - Deputy Director, Crawford School of Public Policy</p>   |



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