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● Highlights ●

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DVET Deputy Director Points out Hurdles to Vietnam's TVET System

DVET Deputy Director Pham Vu Quoc Binh indicated some major obstacles to Vietnam's TVET development. First, the vocational education scale remains modest, and the quality and efficiency of training is low, especially the training of new professions and skills. Second, the connection between the state, schools, and businesses is loose. Third, the transfer and replication of programs with international standards faces many difficulties. Fourth, education and training formats are non-various and inflexible while training and re-training of workers has yet to receive adequate attention. Fifth, high-school continuing education at TVET institutions does not satisfy the demand of learners. ([Tuoi Tre](#) Mar 7)

DVET Asked to Revoke Circular Requiring Change to Name of Driving Training Centres

On March 6, the MoLISA asked DVET to rescind its Circular 3033/TCGDNN-PCTT, which was issued on December 31, 2022 to require driving training centres to be changed into vocational training centres, following a conclusion issued on February 21, 2023 by the Department of Examination of Legal Documents. The department claimed that the circular is in contravention of the laws and could cause economic damages as well as affect the legal interests of organizations, individuals, and businesses. ([Cong Thuong](#), [Kinh Te Do Thi](#) Mar 7)

● Business Sector and Labour Market ●

Foreign Cooperation

Workshop "Suggestion and Adjustment of Teaching Materials for Drainage and Wastewater Treatment Training Programme"

Within the framework of activities to develop a German standard-oriented training program for the profession of Wastewater Treatment under the Programme Reform of TVET in Viet Nam – GIZ, the workshop was held at Hue Industrial College during February 15-17. The aim of the workshop was to consolidate suggestions to complete the curriculum for three modules compiled by the lecturers of the College of Construction No. 1 and the College of Technology II; as well as agree on the 2023 work plan for the group of partner colleges. The workshop welcomed 33 delegates who are the lecturers of Wastewater Treatment faculty at three partner colleges and company representatives participating in the development of the training programme as well as representatives of GIZ and GOPA Consulting Group. At the beginning of the workshop, Ms. Nguyen Thu Hien and Ms. Vu Linh Huyen Trang from the College of Construction No. 1 presented about compiling detailed lectures for Module 3 on Operation of wastewater collection and drainage network; and followed by Module 4 on Maintenance of drainage networks. The



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next day, Ms. Tran Thi Loan and Nguyen Thi Minh Hue from the College of Technology II gave a presentation on the content of Module 6 on Operating a wastewater treatment plant in the 12-module curriculum by German standards. Lecturers from the three colleges as well as company representatives were divided into groups to discuss the modules as well as the practical exercises. The participants shared experiences and cooperated to develop the materials in the most effective way. Ms. Maria Zandt – Deputy Program Director of TVET – GIZ, emphasized that revision of these materials is extremely important, especially for the implementation of the programme. Moreover, the opinions of company representatives play an important role in ensuring the training content will meet the actual needs of the job market. After adjusting the modules, the delegates agreed on the cooperation plan and assigned to deploy the remaining modules of the training program in 2023. On the last day, the lecturers also had a hands-on exchange in the lab at Hue Industrial College, and shared valuable experiences with experiments on BOD (a measure of the amount of oxygen required to remove organic wastes from water during decomposition by aerobic bacteria) or COD (the amount of oxygen needed to oxidize chemical compounds in water including both inorganic and organic). The workshop was a great opportunity to connect colleges and businesses to contribute to the development of the Collaborative Training model, helping students of the colleges to increase their practice time at enterprises. In addition, the lecturers at the partner colleges had their professional knowledge as well as teaching capacity strengthened to continue implementing the transferred program. ([TVET](#) Mar 3)

Vietnam Dispatches 28.4K Workers Abroad in Jan-Feb, up 20 Times y/y: DoLAB

Vietnam sent 28,429 workers overseas in the first two months of 2023, up 20 times y/y and reaching 25.84% of the whole-year target according to the DoLAB, under the MoLISA. Of the amount, which comprised 9,452 female workers, 14,609 were taken to Taiwan; 12,473 to Japan; 1,668 to South Korea; 250 to Singapore; 239 to China; and other markets. In February, the country dispatched 6,601 workers overseas, a 13-time surge from the same month last year, comprising 2,626 female workers. Of those, 3,470 were taken to Japan; 2,690 to Taiwan; 141 to Singapore; 81 to South Korea; 69 to China; and others. ([Thoi Dai](#), [NLD](#), [Tien Phong](#) Mar 6)

Vietnam Asks for UNWTO's Support in Tourism Workforce Training

Vietnam looks to the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) to back the country in tourism manpower training by providing scholarships or sending its experts to Vietnam for conferences, Deputy Prime Minister Tran Luu Quang. Deputy PM Quang made his request while meeting with UNWTO Executive Director Zoritsa Urosevic at its headquarters in Spain's Madrid on March 2. Mr. Quang proposed UNWTO boost cooperation with Vietnam, select the country to host some of its events, and assist Vietnam with digital transformation and technological application to smart eco-tourism development, climate change response, and national tourism brand development. Welcoming proposals by the Vietnamese side, the UNWTO executive said the organization weighs holding a major international event in Vietnam in late 2023. UNWTO will continue to stand by Vietnam in tourism recovery and development and help the Southeast Asian nation with digital transformation, workforce development, and improvement of tourism governance and coordination capability. ([Bao Chinh Phu](#), [NLD](#), [Thuong Hieu Cong Luan](#), [Cong Luan](#) Mar 3)



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Vietnam Seeks Francophone University Agency's Support in Education-Training

On March 6, Vietnamese Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Do Hung Viet met with Mr. Slim Khalbous, rector of the Francophone University Agency (Agence universitaire de la Francophonie-AUF), and discussed cooperation in education and training. During the talks, Deputy Minister Viet highlighted the vital role of the AUF in maintaining and promoting French over the past 60 years, affirming that Vietnam attaches great importance to cooperating with the Francophone community in general and the AUF in particular. He thanked the AUF for supporting over 40 Vietnamese research and education institutions. For future cooperation, Mr. Viet proposed the AUF continue supporting Vietnamese training and research institutions to improve their teaching quality and scientific research, and assist Vietnam in French language training and use. Welcoming the Vietnamese proposals, Mr. Slim Khalbous affirmed that the AUF is ready to accompany Vietnam in the future. He also proposed the Vietnamese government further support AUF's Regional Office in Hanoi, wishing that both sides would soon sign a headquarters agreement to facilitate the Office's operation. ([Bao Quoc Te](#) Mar 6)

Australia-based HR Platform Weploy Makes Official Debuts in Vietnam

Australia-based staffing platform Weploy has officially launched in Vietnam after raising \$5 million from London-based investment management firm Skymind Global Ventures in its first funding round. With its app debut on March 2, Weploy Vietnam is a trailblazer in applying digital technologies to seasonal staffing supply and management. The startup is planning to scale up its operation in Vietnam to help eliminate the supply-demand gap in seasonal manpower and to provide easy job opportunities to Vietnamese seasonal workers. ([Nguoi Dua Tin](#), [NLD](#), [Tuoi Tre](#), [24H](#) Mar 2)

HCMC MoLISA, IPTC, EuroCham Host Event on Work Permits for Foreign Expatriates

On March 7, the HCMC MoLISA, the HCMC Investment & Trade Promotion Centre (ITPC), and the European Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam (EuroCham) hosted a conference to cope with firms' questions on work permits for foreign expatriates. Nearly 100 questioned were sent to the event. ([NLD](#) Mar 7)

Domestic News

Vietnam to Organize National High School Graduation Exam on Jun 27-30

Vietnam's Ministry of Education and Training (MoET) has announced that the national high school graduation exam this year will be held on June 27-30. The MoET has publicized a draft of the university admission regulations and sample exam questions for the 2023 high school graduation exam. This year, the MoET would adjust some technical issues to strengthen exam discipline, especially promoting the prevention of exam fraud, including cheating with high-tech devices. ([NLD](#), [Tien Phong](#), [VietnamNet](#), [VOV](#), [Kinh Te Do Thi](#), [VnExpress](#), [Tin Tuc](#), [Soha](#) Mar 1)



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Agro-Forestry-Fisheries Least Selected by Vietnamese Learners in 2022: Ministry

The major of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries was the least chosen by Vietnamese students in 2022, reaching only 49.1% of the enrolment target, according to the Ministry of Education and Training (MoET). It was followed by natural science (57.92%), social services (59.43%), and life science (61.36%). The four above majors also had the lowest enrolment rate in the past three years, the MoET said. In 2020-2022, the top ten majors with the highest enrolment rate included (i) business and management, (ii) computer and information technology, (iii) engineering technology, (iv) humanities, (v) health, (vi) social and behavioural sciences, (vii) science education and pedagogy for higher education's teachers, (viii) engineering, (ix) law, and (x) architecture and construction, the MoET informed. ([Bao Chinh Phu](#), [VietnamNet](#), [Hanoi Moi](#), [Lao Dong](#), [VTC](#), [Dan Viet](#) Mar 3)

People Gradually Change Viewpoint about TVET

Recently, people have gradually changed their viewpoint about TVET. Many students with high school graduation scores of over 20 each, even 25-26, have opted to join TVET instead of universities. Mr. Pham Ngoc Thang, deputy head of the students' work department under the DVET, affirmed that to change the society's viewpoint about TVET, it is necessary to improve communication work, initially changing thoughts of students and parents. This year, the DVET plans to cooperate with the Ho Chi Minh Youth Union (HCMYU) to train HCMYU staff and teachers within schools in job orientations. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 6)

Chances Open for Labourers without TVET

Many firms in southern Vietnam have recently required TVET on workers, which has made those without TVET find it hard to seek stable jobs, according to local employment service centres. However, male labourers still have chances in occupations such as vehicle repairing, utility workers, and construction workers. Meanwhile, females can seek jobs in fields of hair designing, skincare, and physical therapy. ([NLD](#) Mar 3)

54% of Surveyed Workers Pine for Minimum Wage Raise

As many as 54% of workers want the state to adjust minimum wages, according to a survey covering 6,000 workers of trade unions in 16 cities/provinces. The survey showed that 64% of respondents aspire to sufficient allowances and benefits while 54% want to join dialogues and negotiations for their rights and interests. ([Dan Tri](#) Mar 4)

Vietnam Hanoi Supports Employment for 14K Persons in Feb, up 33.7% y/y

Vietnam's capital city of Hanoi supported jobs for 14,095 people in February, up 33.7% y/y, according to the municipal DoLISA. In the first two months of 2023, the city helped 27,870 people get employed, reaching 17.2% of the year's target. Hanoi allocated VND175.8 billion



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(\$7.33 million) in unemployment benefits to 5,860 people, introduced jobs to another 3,775, and offered vocational training to 85 workers with a budget of VND378 million. The department allowed 340 firms to employ foreign workers, issued 444 work permits, and renewed 83 work permits to expat workers. ([Kinh Te Do Thi](#) Mar 1)

Yen Bai Aims for 44.6% of High School Graduates Joining TVET in 2023

Northern Yen Bai province has set a target that 44.6% of high school graduates and 27.5% of secondary school graduates will advance to TVET this year, according to a plan issued by the provincial People's Committee. Per the plan, the province targets that over 80% of secondary schools and 85% of high schools have training programs linking with local businesses. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 2)

Viet Duc College Meets TVET Quality Accreditation Standards

On March 6, Viet Duc College in central Nghe An province held a ceremony to announce a decision on recognizing its satisfaction of TVET quality accreditation standards in 2023. This is the second time that the college has got such achievement. ([Bao Nghe An](#) Mar 6)

Ha Tinh Aims to Enrol 21K TVET Learners in 2023

Central Ha Tinh province has set a target to enrol 21,000 TVET learners this year, including 1,000 at the college level, 6,000 at the intermediate level, and 14,000 at the elementary and short-term courses. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 3)

Khanh Hoa Aims to Create Jobs for 11,500 Labourers in 2023

Central Khanh Hoa province has set a target to create jobs for 11,500 labourers this year, according to a scheme on local employment in 2021-2025. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 2)

HCMC Aims to Provide Vocational Training to 4,100 Rural Labourers in 2023

Ho Chi Minh City has set a target to provide vocational training to 4,100 rural labourers this year, comprising 1,800 of agro occupations and 2,300 of non-agro occupations. 85% of trained labourers are expected to get jobs. ([HTV](#) Mar 7)

HCMC Youth Union, DoLAB Hold Competition for Exceptional Vocational Students

The Youth Union and DoLAB in Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) have launched a competition for talented vocational students from 28 TVET institutions and some universities with vocational divisions citywide. The competition featured 600 candidates across 18 professions. ([Tuoi Tre](#) Mar 5)



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TVET Schools in Dong Nai to Recruit 6.8K College Students in 2023

Vocational institutions in Dong Nai province are expected to recruit 12,800 students of intermediate level and 6,800 others of college level in 2023. In 2022, TVET establishments province-wide recruited over 76,800 learners, including 56,800 of primary and continuing education, 7,200 of college level, and 12,700 of intermediate level. ([Bao Dong Nai](#) Mar 2)

Career Orientation Day for High School Students Takes Place in Can Tho

A career orientation day for high school students took place at Can Tho University in the namesake southern city on March 5. The event saw the participation of experts from the Higher Education Department, DoLAB, and representatives of military schools and major universities. It featured 135 consulting booths from 79 universities, colleges, vocational schools, overseas study centres, and educational units. The program was held simultaneously in at Nguyen Binh Kiem Specialized High School in central Quang Nam province. It was also organized in Dong Thap and Thua Thien-Hue provinces on March 4. ([Tuoi Tre](#) Mar 5)