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MOVING AHEAD TOWARDS THE FUTURE
“Holding on together with the University constituent particularly with the students who will shape the future…”

Facing today's world of rapid globalization and the new stage of internationalization in Vietnam academic community, Thai Nguyen University has focused its effort for advancement to become a leading educational institution in Vietnam and in Southeast Asia as well. It has been strengthening its performance in providing quality higher education and human resource training, scientific researches, transfer of technology, and production.

Guided by its goal to foster high-quality and dynamic learning, TNU’s current curricular programs are designed to help elevate students with solid logical skills based on global responsiveness, foreign language skills, and updated information technology know-how, among others.

At present, TNU is linked with highly reputable higher education institutions and organizations in England, USA, Australia, Korea, Japan, China, Malaysia, Philippines, and Taiwan, which we believe that through partnership, networks and coalition with leading university partners, organizations, and individuals worldwide, we would be able to achieve our vision of developing further not only Thai Nguyen University but the society we live in today.

I am very proud of what we have accomplished during the past academic years in producing highly qualified graduates, notable scientific researches, transferring latest technology to the people, and providing state-of-the-art infrastructure and facilities, to name a few. These cannot be realized simply by trying to provide the best management, faculty members and lecturers, state-of-the-art facilities, and finest academic programs unless the students are placed at the center of learning who are highly participative, critical thinkers and pursue their studies independently. The realization of these, therefore, depends on the significant learning of our students who are developed into promising leaders of our country with creative and independent minds… the future leaders who will be able to bridge national boundaries and expecting them to become models, shakers and movers of change… the men and women of character who are genuinely concerned with social, moral and spiritual rights of the people.

As President of Thai Nguyen University, I am confident that everyone’s effort will have a glimpse of fulfillment in our university's academic advancement now and in the years to come.

Associate Professor DANG KIM VUI, Ph.D.
University President
Current Events

Tribute to Teachers on the Occasion of Vietnamese Teacher’s Day Celebration

In harmony with a cheerful atmosphere of the nationwide celebration of the 30th Anniversary of Vietnamese Teacher’s Day, Thai Nguyen University solemnly gave honor and a highest degree of recognition to TNU mentors on the occasion of Teacher’s Day on November 19, 2012.

The officials, teachers, staff, and students of Thai Nguyen University (TNU) excitedly gathered together at the Learning Resource Center - TNU to commemorate the celebration of the 30th Anniversary of Vietnamese Teacher’s Day in the morning of 20th November.

Assoc. Prof. Dang Kim Vui delivers opening speech

The TNU Officials headed by Associate Professor Dr. Dang Kim Vui, President and Party Secretary, graced the occasion together with Mr. Quan Chi Cong, Vice Chairman of the Thai Nguyen City People’s Committee, the Standing Committee of the Party, the Board of Directors, Chairman of the Unions, Representatives of the TNU member-units, and Students.

Assoc. Professor Dr. Dang Kim Vui, Party Secretary and President of TNU, expressed his warmest congratulations to all teachers of Thai Nguyen University and reminisced the traditional celebration of the Vietnamese Teachers’ Day since its inception 30 years ago. Moreover, he reported the remarkable achievements of the different member-units of the University during the Academic Year 2011-2012.

TNU staff celebrate Vietnamese Teacher’s Day

Upresident confers degrees upon Ph.D holders

The celebration was highlighted by granting of awards to teachers and staff of Thai Nguyen University who successfully obtained the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and those with remarkable achievements in the field of education. Mr. Quan Chi Cong - Vice Chairman of Thai Nguyen City’s People Committee, was authorized by the University President Dr. Dang Kim Vui to award the Labor Orders for eleven (11) prominent individuals with outstanding achievements in education covering the academic years 2005 - 2006 to 2011 - 2012. In particular, TNU gave honor and recognition to one (01) teacher for the People’s Teacher Award, three (03) teachers for the title of Doctor of Excellence, twelve (12) teachers for the Teacher of Merit Award, and twenty-six (26) graduate students who completed the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) during the academic year 2011-2012.

Following the role of a regional university, Thai Nguyen University has 24 member units, including 10 training units with nearly 90 thousand students from the different member-units. Considering the various academic programs of the university, TNU offers 21 Doctorate programs, 41 Master’s and 153 Bachelor courses.
Current Events

Continuation: Tribute to Teachers on the Occasion of the Vietnamese Teacher’s Day Celebration

The capacity development of lecturers is highly concentrated on their fields of expertise. The whole university has 3,927 officers and lecturers, including 07 Professors, 107 Associate Professors, 349 Senior Lecturers, 310 Ph.D holders and 1,480 Master holders. Thai Nguyen University is implementing Project on Strategic Development to become a national key university as well as a prime training and scientific research center of the Northern Mountainous Area of Vietnam.

Exciting activities are organized through the University during the occasion of Vietnamese’s Teacher Day

During this special occasion, art performances and sport competitions were conducted in all units of the university, namely singing contest at the TNU office staff; literary and art performance contests at the College of Economics and Technique, College of Agriculture and Forestry, College of Education, and College of Information and Communication Technology; and Football Cup of the School of Foreign Languages, etc. Those activities added a delightful atmosphere throughout the university as a tribute to Vietnamese teachers.

Source: TNU Media
Current Events

Inauguration Ceremony of the Vietnam-Korea Information Access Center

Officials from Korea and Thai Nguyen University witnessed the launching of Vietnam-Korea Information Access Center at the Learning Resource Center of Thai Nguyen University on November 21, 2012.

The leaders cut the ceremonial ribbon which marks the official opening of the Vietnam-Korea Information Access Center, thereafter a visit to the Center.

Honorable Maeng Hyung Kyo, Korea’s Minister of Public Administration and Security; Honorable Ha Chan Ho, Korean Ambassador to Vietnam; Mr. Nguyen Bac Son, Member of the Central Party Committee, Vietnam’s Minister of Information and Communications; Mr. Bui Anh Tuan, Director of the Department of Higher Education-Vietnam’s Ministry of Education and Training; Mr. Duong Ngoc Long, Deputy Secretary of the Provincial Party Committee, Chairman of Thai Nguyen Provincial People’s Committee; Assoc. Professor Dr. Dang Kim Vui, Party Secretary and President of TNU; together with representatives of TNU Member - Units, Offices, and Departments of the University graced the Inauguration Ceremony.

The Vietnam-Korea Information Access Center at TNU is the second center in Vietnam sponsored by the Korean Ministry of Public Administration and Security. Formerly, the Internet Plaza had been built and put into operation in 2003, at the Institute of Telecommunications Technology-VNPT Group. Up to November 2012, more than 30 Information Access Centers had been constructed throughout the world, and Vietnam is one of three countries in Asia that benefited from the project. Those centers had helped many students, officers and citizens to participate in IT training, internet access and worldwide information exchange.

Prior to the implementation of the project for the Center at Thai Nguyen University, the Korea’s Ministry of Public Administration and Security with the coordination of the Vietnam’s Ministry of Information and Communications had surveyed a number of education and training units in three Universities: Thai Nguyen (TNU), Hung Yen (Hung Yen Technical Education University) and Phu Tho (Hung Vuong University). Based on the set criteria, Thai Nguyen University was chosen for the convergence of essential elements. The Center would support faculty, students in TNU and local citizens in using internet for teaching and researching, contributing to raising people’s knowledge and developing the socio-economics of the Provinces in the Northern Midland and Mountainous Region.

Source: TNU Media
Current News

International Conference on improving English teaching capacity

On 15-16/12/2012, the International Conference with the theme “Connecting Global Resources to build English teaching capacities in the Northern Midland and Mountainous Areas of Vietnam” was organized by Thai Nguyen University (TNU) and the Executive Committee of the National Foreign Language (NFL) 2020 Project.

Attendents to the Conference include Mr. Nguyen Vinh Hien, Deputy Minister of Education and Training; Representative of Ministry of Labor, Invalid and Social Affairs; educational experts of American Embassy; Representative of Department Education and Training of 10 provinces in the region, together with more than 200 participants of leaders and lecturers of English in the region.

The conference focused on some key issues such as: Current status and recommendations in the implementation of the NFL 2020 Project in the regions; plans to link training units for improving foreign language capacity in the Northern midland and mountainous areas, especially the English proficiency of teachers. The conference also concentrated on strategies to improve capacities of teaching and learning specialized subjects in English at Thai Nguyen University period 2012-2015; and the role of Thai Nguyen University in connecting the local cultures for the international development.

In the conference, the leaders agreed that the implementation of NFL 2020 Project in the Northern Midland and Mountainous Areas had significantly contributed to improving vision and capacity of action research in the region, then to find out feasible solutions to guide managers, planners and educators to effectively build and manage programs taught in English, develop the use of English, and to create a strong connection of English teaching professional resources in the area.

Source: TNU Media
Research Development

Enhancing scientific research and technology transfer activities

A meeting between the Ministry of Science and Technology through the National Agency for Technology Entrepreneurship and Commercialization Development and Thai Nguyen University was held in the afternoon of August 29, 2012. Associate Prof. Tran Viet Khanh, The Deputy Secretary of Thai Nguyen Party and the Deputy President of Thai Nguyen University, acted as the representative, while Mr. Pham Van Dien led the delegation of the Ministry of Science and Technology.

Also present during the meeting were representatives of the Department of Technology and Environment, Institute of Life Sciences, Institute of Social Economic and Humanities, Institute of Development Technology on Industrial Engineering and Northern Mountainous Forestry Research Centre as well. The highlights of the meeting were divided into three segments: (1) the two parties discussed and evaluated the implementation results of the Government's Decree 115/2005/NĐ-CP on autonomy and responsibilities of the organization of scientific and technology transfer, the Decree 80/2007/NĐ-CP of Science and Technology Business and the Government's Decree 96/2010/NĐ-CP amending and supplementing some articles of incorporation of the said two Decrees; (2) the Department of Market Development and Science and Technology Business discussed and proposed possible solutions in the promotion of research activities, fostering and supporting commercialization of science research results and the development of technology transfer of TNU-colleges; and lastly, (3) the two parties exchanged ideas and discussed the feasibility to jointly organize “Science and Technology Exhibition to introduce the creative products of students and young research groups of TNU-colleges”.

The Meeting was focused on gathering and discovering the ingenuity and resourcefulness of young researchers and finding the best strategy in disseminating and transferring technology products and research results serving practical needs for social and economic life. Moreover, they discussed the promotion and structure awareness between scientific research and applications and commercialization of research products.

Thai Nguyen University organizes Conference on Improving capability in managing international cooperation

Source: TNU Media
**Continuation: TNUT**

**VISION**: TNUT has envisioned to become the leading institution in providing multi-discipline, multi-degree academic programs in Science and Technology, guided by its long-term commitment in developing human resources for Northern mountainous provinces and the nation. Besides, TNUT has envisioned to establish academic cooperation with prestigious universities and research institutes worldwide to diversify cooperative training models.

**MISSION**: TNUT is dedicated to offer quality programs in engineering and technology, both postgraduate and undergraduate levels, to foster technology transfer of research results, encourage industry-academic cooperation, to serve as a major provider of industrial knowledge and technology, and to train highly qualified engineers and leaders in the fields of engineering and technology who will contribute to the demands of economic and social development in Northern mountainous provinces and the nation of Viet Nam. Moreover, TNUT maintains and develops international academic cooperation with globally renowned universities in order to achieve high standard among prestigious universities in the nation and in Asia.

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Source: TNUT
Academic Developments

TNU Conducts English Language Training for Teachers from the Northern Mountainous Region

Enhancing foreign language capacity for group of officials and employees to develop high quality human resource: key issues on training and international cooperation of Thai Nguyen University.

The Steering Committee of the National Foreign Language Project 2020 has tasked Thai Nguyen University (TNU) as the regional center for testing and fostering English capacity for officials, staff, and teachers of TNU and the northern mountainous and midland provinces. In response to this, Thai Nguyen University (TNU) organized training programs to improve the foreign language capacity of nearly 1000 high school teachers from the Northern mountainous and midland provinces in 2011, within the framework of 2020 National Foreign Language Project. Then, TNU organized the English capacity survey test for 7 Northern provinces with 3000 lecturers in 2012.

CFORD-TNU staff in the assessment trip in Lang Son province

Thai Nguyen University has developed a number of programs on exchange faculty and students and other academic activities with foreign university partners all over the world based on the mandates of the Ministry of Education and Training on bilateral cooperation programs. Inviting foreign lecturers and accepting foreign students to study at TNU not only promotes exchange of trainings, but also upholds the international image of TNU in particular and the country in general.

Through the years, Thai Nguyen University will continue expanding joint training programs, importing advanced training program from foreign partners for the following objectives: (1) the development of English language training and the conduct of examinations in English for schoolteachers at all levels based on the mandates of the “National Foreign Language 2020” Project; (2) the organization of short-term courses and training English language for managers and lectures conducted by experts from partner universities worldwide; (3) the implementation of International Joint training programs for the undergraduate and postgraduate on specialized areas of interest; and, (4) the management and supervision of international conferences and workshops.

To meet the requirements for trainings, scientific researches and international cooperation of TNU, the Center for Human Resource Development for Foreign Language Studies (CFORD-TNU) was established to provide training, testing and quality assurance within the context of a globalized international integration of scholars and universities.

Source: TNU Media
Faculty and Staff Development

TNU Professor Receives “People’s Teacher Title Award”

The Central Council for Emulation and Reward and the President of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam grant awards to teachers who have shown outstanding contributions in the field of education in the country during the Vietnamese Teacher’s Day Celebration on November 20, 2012. The awarding ceremony is celebrated once every two years.

With great distinction, Thai Nguyen University (TNU) under the leadership of Dr. Dang Kim Vui is highly honored to have Professor Dr. Hoang Khai Lap who was awarded the People’s Teacher Title together with 12 other Teachers who received the Teacher of Excellence Award for the Year 2012. Based on records, TNU has garnered a number of teacher awardees with four (04) People’s Teacher Title Awards and fifty-seven (57) Teacher of Excellence Awards since the government started giving awards for outstanding teachers of our country.

Prof. Dr. Hoang Khai Lap, who was born in 1949 in Ngan Son district- Bac Kan Province, is the only recipient of People’s Teacher Title Award for this year. He started teaching in 1973, and then he rose from the ranks as a Senior Lecturer of the Department of Epidemiology, College of Medicine and Pharmacy - TNU. He is an exemplar of a teacher to his colleagues and students for his dedication in teaching and his commendable prestige in the society. He headed over 07 Ministry-level projects and 01 State-level project, and acted as chief author and editor of 08 textbooks, reference books and 07 journal scientific articles. He has successfully mentored 02 Ph.D. holders and 12 Master’s holders, while the other five (5) graduate students whom he is currently mentoring have not graduated yet. Moreover, he has conducted five (05) scientific researches into practical applications, guided four (04) student-researchers who received awards related to national science and technology of medicine and pharmacy. In 2010, the Government has accorded Prof. Dr. Hoang Khai Lap the honor to receive the Third Class Labor Medal for his exceptional performances as a teacher. Prior to that, he had obtained numerous merit awards from the Government, the Ministry of Education and Training, and the Ministry of Health.

Source: TNU Media
Student Accomplishments

Deserving Students of TNU Receive Wantanabe-Kanda Scholarships

Mr. Wantanabe Sadanori, a Japanese business tycoon, awarded Wantanabe-Kanda Scholarship Funds to fifteen (15) students of Thai Nguyen University, who are poor but deserving with high academic standing during the Awarding Ceremony which was held at the Conference Hall of Thai Nguyen University. Each student received financial assistance amounting to 4 Million VND.

Japan Wantanabe-Kanda scholarships grant was established in 2005 year with funding sources from 2 Japanese business tycoons, namely: Mr. Sadanori Wantanabe and Mr. Kanda. Said Scholarships Grant was developed to provide financial assistance to poor but deserving students, in order to overcome financial difficulties while studying at university. Basically, the selection was based on the ratings in the university entrance examination and the remarkable achievements of students during their first academic year. As stated in the agreement, the scholarships grant will commence during the students’ second year level (sophomore) and will terminate after graduation. However, the academic performance of the scholars will be properly monitored and evaluated to determine if they would be able to maintain the required academic standing.

![Image of students receiving scholarships]

Mr. Wantanabe Sadanori (second row, 6th from right) and Associate Prof. Tran Viet Khanh (second row, 7th from right) pose for a souvenir photo with the awardees during the Awarding Ceremony.

In Viet Nam, the Japan Wantanabe-Kanda Scholarships Grant is distributed to deserving students from Vinh University, Ha Noi Natural Sciences University, and Thai Nguyen University. In this regard, students from Thai Nguyen University have availed scholarships since 2006, thus, during that year five (5) TNU students were granted scholarships amounting to 20 Million VND, ten (10) students were granted 40 Million VND in 2007, and fifteen (15) students were selected each year with a total value of 240 million VND covering the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011. The total value of awarded scholarships since the start of its implementation has totaled to 300 Million VND.

In conclusion of the ceremony, Associate Prof. Tran Viet Khanh expressed his warmest congratulations to the scholars for being fortunate to receive this Wantanabe Kanda Scholarship Funds. Likewise, he gladly stated, on behalf of Thai Nguyen University, his heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Wantanabe and Mr. Kanda (in absentia) for their unrelenting support to students.

Source: TNU Media
Thai Nguyen University of Technology

Thai Nguyen University of Technology (TNUT), former branch of Hanoi University of Technology and Science, was established according to Decision No.164 - CP on August 19th 1965 by the Prime Minister of Democracy Republic of Viet Nam. Thereafter, TNUT was renamed as the University of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. Then in 1976, it was known as Viet Bac Industrial Engineering University. Then in 1982 its name was changed again to Thai Nguyen University of Industry. By virtue of integration process of universities in the region, TNUT was merged key member of Thai Nguyen University with its new name as Thai Nguyen University of Technology in 1994.

In 2005, TNUT was recognized as one of first ten universities in the country with high rank in the accreditation education process conducted by the National Accreditation Committee. Moreover, TNUT is one of the best universities in Vietnam evaluated by Ministry of Education and Training that implements the credit system competently.

At present, the university has more than 650 academic and professional staff members, including 7 Associate Professors, 16 Doctors of Engineering and more than 260 academic staff holding Master degrees of Arts, Engineering and Science (70% of them holds Master's and PhD degrees). The students' population is approximately 17,000 undergraduates and graduates (nearby 2.5% of them belongs to ethnic minority groups), hundreds of them from Lao's P.D.R and the Kingdom of Cambodia, studying in 19 technical and technological areas.

After 47 years of development, TNUT was awarded the first, second and third Labor Medals; the second and third class Independent Medals and the "National Labor Hero" from the Vietnamese State in 2010).
Research and Development

TNU Students and Young Faculty Join Exhibition on Innovative Scientific Products

Thai Nguyen University (TNU) in collaboration with the National Agency for Technology Entrepreneurship and Commercialization Development - Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) organized an Exhibition on Innovative Scientific Products of students and young teaching faculties of TNU on November 2nd 2012.

In recent years, Thai Nguyen University has not only contributed significantly in educating and training human resources for the country, but also played an important role in conducting scientific researches and technological transfer for the socio-economic development of the Northern midland and mountainous areas in general and Thai Nguyen Province in particular. With more than 18 years of growth and advancement, Thai Nguyen University has been constantly concentrating on human resources development in order to build up quality graduates, especially young scientists. Currently, Thai Nguyen University has 3 research institutes and 10 laboratories with an investment budget of 200 billion.

![Panoramic view of the exhibition](image1.jpg)

![TNU President signs Memorandum of Cooperation with the leader of VTIN](image2.jpg)

The students and young lecturers showcased 120 creative products during the exhibition covering 3 segments: Science and Technology (electricity, electronics, information and communication technology, mechanics, machine manufacture); Social Sciences, Agriculture, Forestry, Biology and Medicine. Some products had been applied practically for production, education, experiments, and science resources. However, some science products are still underway as ideas or blueprints. Those blueprints needed more investment for further implementation. During the exhibition, Thai Nguyen University represented by Dr. Dang Kim Vui signed Memoranda of Cooperation with the Vietnam Technology Incubation and Commercialization Network (VTIN); the Research Development Institute of Advanced Industrial Technology (RIAT), and Vietnam Mineral Resources And Metallurgy Joint Stock Company (MIREX).

Source: TNU Media
Community Outreach

TNU Students Support Blood Donation Day 2012

"Blood donation" is a noble act, a noble gesture of the whole society. The National Institute of Hematology is having difficult situation to respond to patients in critical cases who need blood transfusion to save lives because of the insufficient amount of blood provided for emergencies. Giving of blood from healthy donors could save people’s lives especially in cases of emergency, thus, avoiding the risk of losing loved ones, relatives, and friends.

The Student Union of the College of Economics and Business Administration-Thai Nguyen University cooperated with the National Institute of Hematology and Blood Transfusion and Youth’s Blood Donation Club during the “Blood Donation Day-2012”. This activity was approved by the College’s Party Committee and the Board of Rectors on October 14, 2012.

Knowing the significance of that activity, the Youth Union and the Students’ Association of Thai Nguyen University of Economics and Business Administration have actively participated in the blood donation activity and turned it into one of their regular actions since the past years. Through this humanitarian effort, the organizers aim to raise the awareness of the youth about the significance of blood donation in saving people as well as educate the tradition of solidarity and compassion to humanity and contribute to increasing blood reserves in the blood bank in response to the medical needs of the patients.

The blood donation activity was held in a conductive atmosphere from 7 am to 12 noon. A number of students flocked to the blood donation area, approximately 300 students, who enthusiastically gathered themselves to donate a part of their blood. Based on the report of the staff of the National Institute of Hematology, they were able to collect 272 units of blood from the youth.

Here are some photos of the Blood Donation Day:

Mr. Pham Nhu Cuong delivers opening speech, on behalf of the Student Union, during the Blood Donation Day on the theme “Sharing precious blood: giving hopes to humanity.”

Source: TUEBA.edu.vn
International Cooperation

International Relations Strengthened among Lao, Cambodia and

Mr. Bounthat Lathipanya- Counselor of Education and Culture Education of Embassy of Lao People’s Democratic Republic and Mr. Sam Tham- Interim Representative of Cambodia Embassy of Vietnam had a working visit to Thai Nguyen University (TNU) in the afternoon of October 29th. They were given a cordial welcome by the key officials of TNU headed by Assoc. Prof. Dang Kim Vui- President of Thai Nguyen University, together with Assoc. Prof. Tran Viet Khanh- Vice President of TNU, Representatives of Office, Unions and Departments of TNU.

During the working session, Associate Prof. Dang Van Minh- Director of the Department of International Cooperation of TNU presented a report about the cooperation situation on training between TNU and Lao’s People Democratic Republic which commenced in 2003. The Training Cooperation Program with Lao’s People Democratic Republic was a support program of Rockefeller Foundation in Agriculture and Forestry University covering the years 2003-2009.

The representatives of Lao’s People Democratic Republic and the Kingdom of Cambodia discussed about enhancing the quality of friendship and cooperation relations in training high quality human resources among TNU and the two neighboring countries. Mr. Bounthat Lathipanya and Mr. Samthancho gladly mentioned that the deployment to Laos and Cambodia students to Viet Nam in general and TNU in particular have been implemented for a long time. In fact majority of overseas students who studied in Vietnam have gained advanced knowledge and were highly appreciated by companies and businesses in Laos and Cambodia. It is really advantageous considering the geographical location of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia partly its proximity, and cultural traditions similarities, thereby, the exchange of learning of Laos and Cambodia students are favorable and beneficial.

In the evening of the same day, the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union of TNU organized cross-cultural programs participated in by the students from the three countries Viet Nam-Lao-Cambodia. Representatives of Laos Embassy, Cambodia Embassy, Thai Nguyen province Viet-Lao Friendship Association, provincial leader team, TNU and its unit members, and 108 Laos’s students, 36 Cambodia’s students and 1000 students of TNU attended the Cultural Program.

Source: TNU Media
International Cooperation

Thai Nguyen Province Officials Visit the United Kingdom

High ranking delegation of Thai Nguyen Province led by Dr. Pham Xuan Duong - Member of the Party Central Committee, Secretary, Head of the Delegation of the National Assembly of Thai Nguyen Province visited the United Kingdom from December 2 to December 8, 2012 for a working agenda on invitation of the Mayor of Manchester City and President of Manchester Metropolitan University, United Kingdom. Dr. Dang Kim Vui, President of TNU was one of the members of the delegation.

The visit was conducted to concretize the policy of the Party and State on “initiative and active international integration” in general and the direction of the Ministry of Education and Training on strengthening international cooperation in the field of education in particular, contributing to rapidly building high-qualified staff, serving international integration to foster the socio-economic development of Thai Nguyen Province and the Northern mountainous region.

During the visit, the delegation had meetings with leaders of Manchester City, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment of the North West of UK and Manchester Metropolitan University (MMLU). The visit not only met the expected results, but also opened up new cooperation opportunities for Thai Nguyen Province and Thai Nguyen University with the UK side. In this regard, the UK side intends to send delegations from the UK Trade Promotion Centre and the Embassy of UK in Vietnam to Thai Nguyen on March, 2013.
International Cooperation

Continuation: Thai Nguyen Province Officials Visit the United Kingdom

The Delegation works with leaders of MMU

The delegation received a warm reception from the Board of President as well as Leaders of Member Units of MMU. At the meeting, the two segments were thoroughly discussed on expanding advanced programs of undergraduate and graduate levels, preferably in Master Degree in English Language and Bachelor Degree in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering. Significantly, Thai Nguyen province confirmed advocating Thai Nguyen University to partner with the University of Manchester towards building an International University - Thai Nguyen University. This revealed the concern of the Provincial leaders to the education of the province in general and Thai Nguyen University in particular.

The visit ended with the agreement in bringing up new direction for the development of Thai Nguyen Province in general and Thai Nguyen University in particular. After the visit, the high ranking officials from Thai Nguyen province were able to draw valuable experience on international cooperation in education. Also, many new opportunities were discussed for the Province in the direction of international integration.

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