

AMCHAM Viet Nam (HCMC) Draft Manufacturing Committee Business Plan 2016

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Purpose

To increase the value of AmCham membership for its manufacturing sector members, including the supporting supply chain, by providing networking opportunities and collaborative solutions which could not be achieved as effectively by individual member companies.

2016 Goals

- Grow the AmCham membership base of manufacturing companies
- Keep members updated, sharing best known methods and readiness plan to deal with and optimize the environment changes
- Strengthen the local supply chain
- Encourage and support the movement of Viet Nam customs towards more modern and transparent processes
- Constructively engage Vietnam's political leadership

Objectives

1. **Create a vibrant committee of 20-25 active members that participate regularly (monthly) in committee meetings/events and at least an additional 100 ("passive") members who participate several times throughout the year. This committee would serve to address issues identified by the manufacturing community.**

Activities

- The committee will meet the 3rd Monday of every month, 8 am, unless otherwise noted by the Leadership Team or if there is a benchmarking tour during the respective month
 - Meetings will include roundtable issue discussions on topics such as:
 - Indefinite contracts
 - Preparing wage analysis for parent companies
 - Recruiting strategies
 - Training opportunities/strategies
 - Cultivating technical staff
 - Whistleblower provisions and Vietnam operations
 - ASEAN Integration
 - Labor Issues including trade agreement proposals related to freedom of association
 - Work Permits/Visas
 - Tax issues
 - Effective Internship programs

- Cooperating with Engineering Universities regarding programs and curriculum which meets the needs of the manufacturing companies
- ASEAN integration
- Preparation for TPP
- Women in manufacturing
- CSR (Universities Outreach) (What does mfg need in employees; What makes a good staff person)
- LEAN, Six sigma (How to implement and train LEAN/Six Sigma; organize, plan, road map)
- Organize 3-5 events/initiatives for the benefit of manufacturing companies
 - Supplier Day Program
 - 2 Manufacturing Committee Benchmarking Factory Tours (Quarter 2 & 3)
 - FCPA compliance initiative in coordination with AMCHAM's Legal Committee
 - 2 or 3 day Training session
- Coordination between the leadership teams of the Manufacturing Committee, HR Committee, and Legal Committee to discuss Vietnam policy issues/recommended changes that would specifically impact the manufacturing community. Hold follow-up meetings with entire committee if necessary
- Quarterly networking/cocktail events – These could be for current AMCHAM members engaged in manufacturing, including the supporting supply chain, and/or outreach initiatives to prospective members

2. Obtain information to make the customs process more efficient, transparent, and convenient for manufacturing companies.

Activities

- Support and Coordination with the Vietnam Trade Facilitation Alliance and VBF Customs working group

Timeline

- TBD