## "Vietnam in the New Context" Seminar

DTU held a "Vietnam the New Context" seminar on May 10th. Attendees included Professor Pham Quang Minh, Provost of University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Professor Nguyen Ngoc Minh, DTU Vice-Provost and many DTU staff, lecturers and students.



Professor Pham Quang Minh speaks

The objective of the seminar was to provide an overview of the Socio-Economic environment in Vietnam and our international relations in the new era. Professor Pham Quang Minh said "I visited DTU nine years ago. Recently, DTU has made big improvements in all fields, in its facilities, human resources, teaching methods and procedures. New research centers and new disciplines have been established to meet local and international requirements. In this seminar I hope that you will learn all about the advantages and disadvantages and challenges that Vietnam is facing in this new era."



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Professor Minh analyzed the recent changes in Vietnam. After the Cold War ended, world peace faced many big challenges because of local wars, religious and ethnic conflicts and international terrorism. Countries in South-East Asia and Asia-Pacific have developed dynamically but are still exposed to destabilizing factors, with two wars causing heavy consequences on Vietnam. However, through sustained efforts, Vietnam has overcome the challenges and crises and entered a period of industrialization and modernization. Vietnam is now actively integrating into the international economy to become a friendly, global partner in its quest for peace, independence and continuing development.

Professor Minh also talked about the political and economic fluctuations in Vietnam, its domestic and foreign policies and Vietnam's position in a changing world. The DTU asked questions about Vietnam's situation in the South China Sea, in Asia and worldwide. Professor Minh also answered questions about Vietnam's role in ASEAN integration and the development of domestic business.

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