

## Vietnam Talent Awards 2017 Honours Outstanding Researchers

At the Viet Nam Talent Awards 2017 held at Hanoi's Vietnam-Soviet Friendship Labour Cultural Palace on November 16th, Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc awarded the only first prize in IT category for DTU product entitled “Using 3D Virtual Reality Technology to Simulate the Human body for Health science Education and Research”. Every organ and detail of a human body is recreated for students, teachers and researchers in the health sector.

Addressing the ceremony, PM Nguyen Xuan Phuc asserted that talent and virtues were the nation's sap and the Awards have encouraged learning and creativity among people of all ages. Initiated in 2005 by the Vietnam Study Promotion Association, the Award has become nationally recognized to honor researchers whose products and academic work benefit society.



*PM Nguyen Xuan Phuc at the awards ceremony*

Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc praised the Vietnam Study Promotion Association and co-organizers for their contributions to the awards' success over the past 13 years. The Vietnam Talent Award 2017 carried the theme of "Creative Technology, Smart Connect", aiming to bolster the creative industry throughout the country in the context of the 4.0 industrial revolution. On behalf of the Government, he congratulated the award winners, describing them as typical examples of the devotion, creativity and brainpower of Vietnamese people. This year's awards focused on the four major categories: IT, Science & Technology, Healthcare & Pharmacy and Environment.

PM Phuc showed his pleasure at the national socio-economic performance of which all 13 preset norms were fulfilled. He spoke highly of the contributions of the whole political system, people, the business community, and talents. He said that Vietnam was determined to develop a transparent, constructive and action-oriented government in service of the people; awakening potentials and making full use of opportunities to boost production, renovation and startup.

In the context of Industry 4.0, according to PM Phuc, Viet Nam has enjoyed many opportunities for further development. We would succeed if we were able to take full advantages of development opportunities and our brainpower, otherwise we would be left behind. It's high time for the youth started their careers and researchers joined hands to innovate for a bright future. *"A learning and innovative society offers an ideal environment for national development and also the very driving force for the building of the constructive and action-oriented government. The government's determination and actions will be reinforced with your creative solutions and high-quality research projects. I hope that the Vietnamese Talent Awards will continue to discover and honor more talents in various areas; contributing to developing business start-up and taking the lead of study encouragement movement"*, said PM Phuc.

289 products were presented at this year's contest. There were three sub-categories of the IT Award this year, including Applied Products for Mobile Devices, Potential Products and Start-up IT Products. The only first award of 100 million vnd was given to DTU product "3D Human Body Simulator", developed by DTU lecturers Dr. Le Nguyen Bao, Le Van Chung, Trinh Hiep Hoa, Le Khac Trieu Hung, Nguyen Luong Tho, Nguyen Minh Duc and Le Hoang Quoc Bao.

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