



VIETNAMESE INTELLECTUAL SOCIETY  
IN THE UK AND IRELAND

# VIS NEWSLETTER

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Presented by

VIS Secretary and Executive Board

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## Welcome to the VIS Newsletter – April 2025!

For this first edition, we are delighted to share highlights from VIS activities in April 2025, alongside upcoming opportunities for research grants and awards. We appreciate your continued engagement and support as part of our growing community.

Moving forward, VIS will issue monthly newsletters to keep members informed of recent developments, upcoming events, and member achievements. We warmly encourage all members to share noteworthy accomplishments—such as publications, awards, or academic milestones—for inclusion in future editions. Please email us at [visukireland@gmail.com](mailto:visukireland@gmail.com)



# About VIS



**2020**

VIS is founded



**30**

disciplines



**160+**

Vietnamese academics,  
scientists and  
intellectuals living and  
working in the United  
Kingdom and the  
Republic of Ireland



**60**

universities in the UK  
and Ireland



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# A. VIS Activities

# 1. Deputy Prime Minister Nguyen Hoa Binh Engaged with VIS in London



On 16th March 2025, during his official visit to the United Kingdom, Deputy Prime Minister Nguyen Hoa Binh met with officials of the Vietnamese Embassy and members of the VIS.

The meeting underscored the Vietnamese government's strong commitment to engaging with the overseas Vietnamese community and highlighted VIS's significant contributions to Vietnam's socio-economic development.

The discussions, enriched by experts from leading universities, research institutions, and the Bank of England, explored critical topics such as financial sector development, risk management, technological advancements, and banking regulations.

Deputy Prime Minister Nguyen Hoa Binh expressed strong support for VIS's initiatives and encouraged continued engagement to help shape Vietnam's future as a dynamic and prosperous economy.

[Read more about the meeting here.](#)

## 2 . Strategic Meeting with Da Nang Senior Leaders



### On 3rd April 2025

VIS successfully held a virtual meeting with senior leaders from Da Nang City.



The meeting was attended by Mr. Ho Ky Minh – Vice Chairman of the Da Nang People’s Committee, and representatives from the City’s Departments, Centres and Universities in Da Nang. VIS Directors attending the meeting included Prof. Nguyen Xuan Huan – Chair of VIS, Prof. Dang Viet Anh – Vice Chair, Assoc. Prof. Tran Thu Yen – Vice Chair, and other leading professors and experts.



The meeting focused on key initiatives, including digital transformation, artificial intelligence (AI), semiconductor technology, entrepreneurship, and the development of an International Financial Centre (IFC) in Da Nang.

[Read more about the meeting here](#)



### 3. Special Coffee Talk: US Tariffs, Trade Wars, and Implications for Vietnam

**Special Coffee Talk**  
**VIS Roundtable on US Tariffs, Trade Wars, and Implications for Vietnam**

Our Panellists

- Senior Lecturer Dr Ho Quoc Tuan  
University of Bristol
- Host* Professor Dang Viet Anh  
University of Manchester
- Senior Lecturer Dr Nguyen Hoai Linh  
University of St Andrews
- Professor Nguyen Huy Tam  
Nottingham Trent University
- Professor Quach Manh Hao  
University of Lincoln
- Professor Bui Thi Minh Hong  
University of Bath and IPAG

April 25, 2025

At 11:00 UK

At 17:00 VN

On 25th April 2025, VIS hosted a highly engaging Special Coffee Talk moderated by Prof. Dang Viet Anh (University of Manchester).

The event gathered leading experts to discuss the global economic impacts on Vietnam.

Distinguished speakers included:

- Assoc. Prof. Ho Quoc Tuan (University of Bristol)
- Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Hoai Linh (University of St Andrews)
- Prof. Quach Manh Hao (University of Lincoln)
- Prof. Nguyen Huy Tam (Nottingham Trent University)
- Prof. Bui Thi Minh Hong (University of Bath & IPAG, France)

The recording of the Special Coffee Talk is available [here](#) if you were unable to attend.

# 4. Coffee Talk #16: Being an Academic Professional in an Internationally Competitive Environment: the Case of Finance



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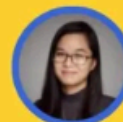
Career Development

## COFFE TALK | #16

Being an Academic Professional in an Internationally Competitive Environment: the Case of Finance.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR  
**DANG BANG NGUYEN,**  
University of Cambridge



Host | Linh Huyen Truong

University of Oxford



07 Mar, 2025



At 13:00 UK



At 20:00 VN



On 7th March 2025, VIS hosted Coffee Talk #16 featuring Associate Professor Dang Bang Nguyen (University of Cambridge), who shared his career development journey from Paris to Hong Kong to Cambridge in the field of finance.



Hosted by Ms. Linh Huyen Truong (University of Oxford), the session focused on navigating academic careers in competitive international environments.

## 5. Coffee Talk #17: Early Career Research Pathway in Computer Science: A Dialogue



VIS hosted Coffee Talk #17, focusing on early-career research pathways for Computer Science researchers.



Speakers:

Dr. Viet Quoc Pham (Trinity College Dublin)

Dr. Nhat (Nick) Pham (Cardiff University)

Host: Ms. Linh Huyen Truong (University of Oxford)



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**COFFEE TALK | #17**  
Early-career research pathway in computer science: A dialogue



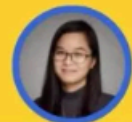
**DR. VIET QUOC PHAM**

Assistant Professor,  
Computer Science  
Trinity College Dublin



**DR. NHAT (NICK) PHAM**

Assistant Professor  
School of Computer Science and Informatics  
Cardiff University



Host | **Linh Huyen Truong**

University of Oxford



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## 6. VIS–British Council Partnership

VIS is currently partnering with the British Council through the Phase 2 project titled “Promoting and enhancing UK–Viet Nam partnerships in higher education, research, and innovation” (Dec 2024 – Dec 2025). This collaboration aims to support early-career researchers and PhD candidates in Vietnam through:

- Career development and mentoring workshops,
- Support for candidates under MoET’s Project 89,
- Development of a Digital Resource Hub, and
- UK–Vietnam university leadership dialogues.

As part of this initiative, VIS has organised three events so far:

- A career development workshop during VIS’s 2025 AGM in Coventry,
- Two Coffee Talk sessions focused on academic growth and research careers, featuring speakers from Cambridge, Trinity College Dublin, and Cardiff.
- This strategic partnership reinforces VIS’s role in building stronger academic ties and research capacity between the UK and Vietnam.

## 7. VIS Annual General Meeting (AGM)



- On Sunday, 9th February 2025, VIS hosted its AGM and New Year Celebration at the historic St. Mary's Guildhall, Coventry. This special event marked the close of a successful year and the beginning of new initiatives in 2025.

### **Highlights:**

- Review of VIS 2024 Activities: Prof. Huan Xuan Nguyen and Assoc. Prof. Tran Thu Yen presented key milestones, including academic partnerships, outreach events, and collaborations with the British Embassy and British Council.
- New Executive Board for 2025: VIS welcomed its newly elected board and expressed gratitude to the outgoing members for their significant contributions.



## 8. ASEAN–UK Policy Forum: Strengthening Academic Diaspora Collaboration



On the morning of 30 April 2025, VIS Vice Chair, Associate Professor Son Pham, participated as a panellist in the ASEAN–UK Policy Forum on “Equitable and Sustainable Knowledge Partnerships.”



Co-hosted by the Malaysian Embassy and Coventry University, the forum was held in celebration of Malaysia’s ASEAN Chairmanship and focused on fostering impactful collaborations between the ASEAN academic community and UK institutions.

Associate Professor Son Pham contributed insights on enhancing equitable partnerships and leveraging diaspora expertise to drive sustainable academic exchange.

## 9. Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Vietnam's Reunification



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The 50th anniversary of National Reunification marks a historic milestone that laid the foundation for Vietnam's peace, unity, and ongoing development.

As a vibrant community of Vietnamese scholars, researchers, and professionals in the UK, VIS is proud to contribute to the nation's progress through scientific research, education, and international collaborations.

On this significant occasion, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to all Vietnamese people and reaffirm our commitment to advancing knowledge and innovation for Vietnam's future.

# B. Research Grant, Prize and Job Opportunities

We are pleased to share  
selected research funding  
and prize opportunities  
relevant to VIS members.

 **Please refer Full Research and Prize opportunities here.**



# 1. UK Research Funding

- Faraday Institution – Lithium-ion Battery Research (Deadline: 12 May 2025)
- EPSRC – Japan-UK Joint Call for Quantum Technologies (Deadline: 8 May 2025)
- Lloyd's Register Foundation – Small Grants Scheme (Deadline: 19 May 2025)



## 2. EU and Horizon Europe Funding

- European Master Programme for HPC (Deadline: 14 May 2025)
- EIC Pathfinder Call 2025 (Deadline: 21 May 2025)
- MSCA COFUND Fellowships 2025 (Deadline: 24 June 2025)



## 3. Prize Competitions

- International Von Hippel Award for Excellence in Materials Research (Deadline: 1 May 2025)
- European Drug and Addiction Prevention Prize 2025 (Deadline: 30 May 2025)
- Volkswagen Stiftung Science Buddy Tandems (Deadline: 5 Jun 2025)
- NAS Michael and Sheila Held Prize (Deadline: 6 Oct 2025)



# Share with us !

**Thank you for staying connected with VIS!**

We look forward to your continued engagement in our activities and initiatives throughout 2025.

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