



PRESS RELEASE
ON THE INAUGURATION OF
“DECENT WORK AND TRIPARTISM”
CERAMIC ROAD FOR HANOI 1,000 YEARS

ILO, Hà Nội, 24 September 2010 – Today, the Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs; Viet Nam General Confederation of Labour; Viet Nam Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Viet Nam Cooperatives Alliance and the International Labour Organization (ILO) inaugurated the mural on “Decent Work and Tripartism” of the Ceramic Road and presented it to the Hanoi People’s Committee.

The length of the entire ceramic mosaic mural is approximately 4 km along the dyke of Hong river and it is recorded to be the longest such mural in the world. The “Decent Work and Tripartism” part on this road was accomplished with the support of the Government, Workers’ and Employers’ Organizations and the ILO symbolizing for the sustainability of tripartism. Illustrated in over 70 meters of the road, it portrays a montage of activities representing various sectors in Viet Nam such as industry, agriculture, handicraft and aquaculture. The colourful ceramic pictures also depict the main actors in the labour market - government, workers and employers - highlighting the cooperation, social dialogue and a promising future for decent work in Viet Nam.

Mr Hoang Manh Hien, Vice Chairman of Hanoi People’s Committee, received the contribution from the tripartite constituents and the ILO.

Minister Nguyen Thi Kim Ngan of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs, said: “The mural is a symbol of the fruitful cooperation between the tripartite constituents and the ILO to promote decent work and social justice for all in Viet Nam. It is also an valuable contribution form social partners and the ILO for Hanoi to celebrate its 1000-year anniversary”.

Sharing the same point with Madame Ngan, President Dang Ngoc Tung of Viet Nam General Confederation of Labour, Vice President Nguyen Van Bien of Viet Nam Cooperatives Alliance and Mr Phung Quang Huy, Director of Bureau for Employers’ Activities, Viet Nam Chamber of Commerce and Industry emphasized the strength of tripartite collaboration and its role to the development of national economy.

Sachiko Yamamoto, Regional Director of ILO Office for Asia and the Pacific, said: “Your creative design reflects all types of work places in Viet Nam; it puts the people and their work in the centre; it emphasizes the strength of tripartite collaboration. This mural – I hope – will symbolize for generations to come the importance of Tripartism and Decent Work for All in Viet Nam. May it be an inspiration for the continued tripartite unity in social and economic development for the next 1000 years.”

Background information:

Decent Work is productive work carried out by women and men in conditions of freedom, equity, security and human dignity.

Currently, the ILO is working in partnership with its tripartite constituents towards achieving the goal of decent work for all in Viet Nam by focusing on three strategic areas of:

- 1) Labour Market Governance
- 2) Employment and Sustainable Enterprise Development
- 3) Social Protection and Social Security.

Social Dialogue, International Labour Standards and Gender are core issues mainstreamed in each of the three priorities, as is fundamental rights at work which constitutes an integral part of ILO's decent work agenda.

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