



KINDERWORLD INTERNATIONAL GROUP

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KINDERWORLD INTERNATIONAL GROUP (KIG)

Award-winning Success



ASEAN Business Awards 2024: Priority Integration Sectors – Education (Large Enterprise).



Asia Architecture Design Awards 2024: Asia's Best Landscape Planning (Dhawa Resort Quy Nhon)



Enterprise 50 (E50) Awards 2024: Top 10 in Singapore



Best Managed Companies Singapore 2024: Gold Standard Winner

Hong Kong

KIG's November business trip to Hong Kong was made to explore education investment opportunities. Various meetings with government agency, banking, legal consultant and business partners provided our delegates with insightful information on the demand for Singapore's education curriculum catering to Hong Kong and Mainland China students.



Meeting with InvestHK, the official investment agency of Hong Kong

■ Singapore International School (SIS) @ Le Chan Commences Operations

SIS @ Le Chan, Hai Phong spans across 3.04 hectares and accommodates 1,500 students from Kindergarten to Grade 12. The first phase (Phase 1A) comprising an Admin Block and Multi-purpose Hall with cafeteria, functional rooms and an indoor sports area, have been operational since August 2024. Phase 1B, featuring classrooms & functional rooms, an auditorium and an indoor heated swimming pool will be completed in Q1/2025. The school offers bilingual and international education programmes with the latest smart technologies garnering significant attention from parents and students in Hai Phong.

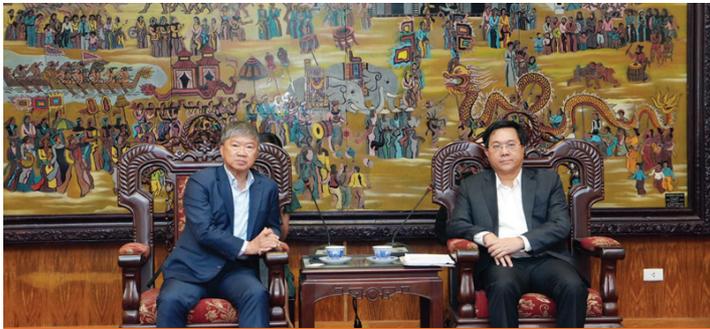


Facilities of SIS @ Le Chan

■ Vinh Phuc Province

On 3 October 2024, Mr. Ricky Tan, Chairman of KIG, paid a courtesy call to Mr. Tran Duy Dong, Chairman of Vinh Phuc People's Committee. KIG obtained the provincial support for the proposed concept of a 50-ha Singapore Education Metropolis (SEM), including Singapore International School, Pegasus International College, Outward Bound Vietnam, residential and commercial amenities.

Building on this momentum, Mr. Lee Yee Hern, Chief Financial Officer of KIG and Mr. Tran Duy Dong signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) during the "Comprehensive Green Solutions for Industrial Parks and Vinh Phuc Investment Promotion Forum" on 9 December 2024. This cemented KIG's determination to collaborate with relevant authorities in Vinh Phuc to identify suitable locations for the proposed SEM and proceed with project implementation.



(L-R) Mr. Ricky Tan, Chairman of KIG and Mr. Tran Duy Dong, Chairman of Vinh Phuc People's Committee



MOU Signing between KIG and Vinh Phuc People's Committee

■ Dong Nai Province

As SIS @ SwanBay is approaching its operational commencement in Q2/2025, KIG leaders had the opportunity to update Mr. Vo Tan Duc, Chairman of Dong Nai People's Committee and other provincial leaders of the project's progress in September 2024. Additionally, KIG expressed keen interest to explore new educational concepts in Bien Hoa City to leverage on the long-term growth and expansion of the province.



KIG delegates and Dong Nai Provincial Leaders

■ Top Students Awards by Cambridge Assessment International Education

SIS continues to solidify its position in education with more than 15 years of having top students in Cambridge IGCSE, AS, and A Level exams. In the Cambridge exams in June, SIS students achieved one AS Level “Top in the World” and three IGCSE, AS, and A Level “Top in Vietnam” awards.



“Top in the World” in Sociology (Cambridge AS)



“Top in Vietnam” in Economics (Cambridge A and AS) with 4 outstanding A* grades



“Top in Vietnam” in Psychology (Cambridge AS)



“Top in Vietnam” in Literature (IGCSE)

■ SIS Christmas Charity Fair 2024

The annual Christmas Charity Fair transformed the school into a festive wonderland, delighting students and raising funds for Caritas Vietnam to support marginalized communities. "Every dollar raised will directly contribute to Caritas Vietnam's invaluable work," stated Mr. Bala Krish, SIS Supervisory Principal, highlighting the event's significant impact.



Christmas Charity Fair at Singapore International Schools

PEGASUS INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE (PIC)

■ Graduation and Commencement Ceremony 2024

PIC Hanoi and Danang hosted its Graduation & Commencement Ceremony 2024 marking a significant milestone in our students' academic journey. The excitement and pride on their faces reflected their hard work and readiness to welcome the next chapter. We are confident our students will continue to achieve great success in the future.



■ PIC Students' International Internships in the USA



6 PIC students and alumni have secured year-long internships at renowned five-star hotels in the USA under the J-1 Visa programme. This initiative, in collaboration with Placement International, offers invaluable hands-on experience in a different country to prepare students to excel in the global hospitality industry.

■ Training for Daewoo Hanoi Hotel's Managers and Leaders

In 3rd quarter 2024, PIC successfully delivered its "Train the Trainer" programme to 15 managers, shift leaders and department heads from Hanoi Daewoo Hotel and the "Leadership Skills Development for Middle Managers" programme, which equips hotel leaders with essential communication, teamwork and leadership skills to foster innovation and sustainable growth.

Mr. Sunny Ghaiee, Executive Assistant Manager of Hanoi Daewoo Hotel, emphasised the importance of investing in staff development and expressed his utmost satisfaction with PIC's training quality.



■ Completion of VTOS Hotel Management Courses

More than 30 participants successfully completed two Hotel Management courses for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, conducted at both campuses in alignment with the Vietnam Tourism Occupational Skills Standards (VTOS). This intensive 60-hour programme provided in-depth training across key hotel departments while fostering collaboration, knowledge-sharing and the development of industry relationships among regional hoteliers and management teams.



■ Legal Regulations In Tourist Accommodation Seminar

In December, PIC hosted a seminar featuring Ms. Nguyen Thanh Binh, Deputy Head of the Tourism Accommodation Management Department, Vietnam National Tourism Administration which attracted hotel owners, managers, investors and hospitality leaders. Discussion topics included Vietnam's legal requirements, including compliance, policy updates and practical guidance for constructing, operating and managing accommodations.

OUTWARD BOUND VIETNAM (OBV)

OBV's School Clients

From July to December 2024, OBV welcomed participants from leading international schools, including Singapore International School, Concordia International School, International School Ho Chi Minh City, Delta Global School and UWC Short Course. OBV's tailored experiential programmes continuously emphasize excellence, ethics, engagement and personal growth.



Students of UWC Short Course during their hiking expedition at OBV Binh Dinh

Participants from Singapore institutions such as Temasek Polytechnic, Republic Polytechnic, Singapore University of Social Sciences and SportCares Singapore. A major highlight was the Temasek Polytechnic programme, delivered in collaboration with Outward Bound Singapore, marking the inaugural joint overseas youth programme with instructors from both organisations.



Temasek Polytechnic students in team initiatives at OBV Binh Dinh



SportCares Singapore students on a kayaking expedition at OBV Ha Long

OBV Governing Council In-person Meeting & Strategic Planning in Binh Dinh

OBV hosted our Governing Council (GC) and Patrons' Meeting in Binh Dinh in June 2024. This strategic gathering resulted in a carefully crafted 3-year strategic plan, setting the direction for OBV's growth. The GC also engaged with our Binh Dinh basecamp operations team, fostering stronger connections. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the GC, Patrons and Executive Director for their invaluable insights and unwavering support in shaping OBV's future.



OBV Patrons, Governing Council and OBV Binh Dinh staff members

OBV Scholarships for Cat Hai Secondary School, Binh Dinh

As part of the GC Meeting and Strategic Planning in June 2024, OBV awarded 50 scholarships to students at Cat Hai Secondary School in Binh Dinh. This initiative highlights OBV's commitment to community development and support of educational growth, contributing to sustainable human capital development in Binh Dinh.



Mr. Stefan Tan – Patron, OBV awarded 50 scholarships to Cat Hai Secondary School Principal

■ Outward Bound Regional Staff Symposium 2024 in Romania

OBV delegates attended the Outward Bound Regional Staff Symposium 2024 in Romania. The event, themed "Nature Bound" brought together 70 participants from 17 Outward Bound schools to share best practices, discuss risk management, governance and sustainability. A highlight was the Outward Bound International's Templeton Research Project, which explores the adaptation of the Outward Bound model across cultures. This is an initiative OBV has contributed to since January 2024. Inspired by these global insights, OBV looks forward to implementing new initiatives to enhance our impact within Vietnam.



Ms. Nguyen Huong Lan – Director, OBV & Mr. Nguyen Tung Linh – Deputy Director, OBV at the Symposium



International delegates gathered at the Symposium

■ Outward Bound Singapore (OBS) Staff Attachment at OBV

OBV was delighted to host 2 OBS guests for a 6-week staff attachment programme with a focus on enhancing skills and deepening our partnership. Our instructors participated in specialised training sessions led by OBS colleagues. The initiative in line with our MOU with OBS underscores our dedication to staff development and continuous programme improvement, paving the way for future collaboration and joint projects.



Kayaking Level 1 & 2 Training and Certification by OBS



OBS colleagues on field attachment with an OBV programme