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EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC DEGREE

BA (Agricultural economics), Hanoi Agricultural University, Vietnam, 1995. MSc. (Development economics), Norwegian Agricultural University, Norway, 2003. PhD. (Economics), the University of Essex, the UK, 2013.

PRESENT POSITIONS

Director, World Economy and Integration, National Center for Socio-Economic Information and Forecast, Ministry of Planning and Investment (2017-).

SELECTED PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Research fellow, Agricultural and rural Dept, Central Institute for Economic Management, Vietnam, (1995-2004).

Research fellow, Management Sciences Dept., Central Institute for Economic Management, Vietnam, (2004-2014).

Deputy Director, Business Environment and Competitiveness, Central Institute for Economic Management, Vietnam, (2014-2017).

RESEARCH INTEREST

Productivity spillovers; foreign direct investment; global value chain, international economics.

SUMMARY OF PUBLICATIONS

05 books, 03 conference proceedings, 20 published research reports and journal articles. Profile on Research Gate: https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Tran_Toanthang

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. "The Vietnam-EU Free Trade Agreement: Policy implication and policy adjustment in Vietnam", Book, *World Publishing House*, Vietnam (editor), 2017.
- 2. "Regional Interdependence and Vietnam-Korea economic relationship", Book, *KIEP Publishing House*, Republic of Korea (editor), 2016.
- 3. "Dependence of Vietnam on China: implications for economic restructure", Book, *Finance Publishing House*, Vietnam (editor), 2016.
- 4. "Spatial Productivity Spillover Effects from Foreign Direct Investment in Vietnam", *Journal of Development Studies*, the UK, 2016.
- 5. "Socio-economic feature of rural areas: the results from household survey in Vietnam", Book, Hong Duc Publishing house, (co-author), 2015.
- 6. "Relation of public investment and inflation, public debt in Vietnam", *Journal of Economic Research*, VASS, Vietnam (Issue 9/2015).
- 7. "Foreign Direct Investment in Vietnam: situation and adjustment policy", Book, *Labor Publishing House*, Vietnam (co-author), 2014.
- 8. "Spatial spillovers from foreign direct investment-the closer the better?", *International conference on "European International Business Academy (EIBA)"*, 7-9 December, 2012, Sussex University, The UK, 2012.
- 9. "Productivity Spillover of Foreign Direct Investment, what if productivity is no longer a black box?", April 2011 Vol.5, No.1 pp.1-16, The South East Asian Journal of Management, Indonesia.
- 10. "Spillovers from FDI: Alternative Way to Explain the Mixed Results", International Conference on "Firm-Level Data Analysis in Transition and Developing Economies", April 23-24, 2009, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland.
- 11. "Determinants of labor switching in agriculture and rural areas in Vietnam", *Economic Management Journal*, Vol.25, 2009, Vietnam.
- 12. "The Harmonization of Aid and Trade Policies: The Case of Vietnam", *OECD Policy Paper Series*, 2006.
- 13. "Productivity Spillover of FDI in Vietnam: Evidence from Enterprise survey conference paper", *Singapore Economic Review Conference*, Singapore, 2005.
- 14. "The Impacts of Foreign Direct Investment On The Economic Growth In Vietnam", Book, *Political Publishing House*, Hanoi, Vietnam, 2005.
- 15. "Foreign Direct Investment in Agriculture", *Journal of Economic and Forecast*, 11 Nov. 2001, Vietnam.