On 25<sup>th</sup> September 2012, the National Library of Vietnam (NLV) and the Asia Foundation have signed in Agreement of Co-operation period 2012-2015.

According to the Agreement period of 2012-2015, the Asia Foundation to continue donating 120,000 books valued at 5,8 million USD to Vietnamese libraries with commitment that 100% of new books are funded in many subject areas and covered different levels of education which included e-book and CD-ROM.



Dr. Kim Ninh – Country representative of the Asia Foundation in Vietnam and Mrs. Phan Thi Kim Dzung – Director of NLV sign in the co-operation Agreement period 2012-2015

Beneficiary institutions in this project period including public, university, special libraries etc. among them, NLV will be the focal point agency of the Foundation to receive and distribute donated books to other beneficiary institutions.

The Signing Ceremony marked the fifth period of the project in which the Asia Foundation effective co-coordinated with NLV from 2000 to present. In the past four periods, the Asia Foundation donated beneficiary libraries over 430,000 book copies, valued over 15 million USD to more than 160 libraries over the country.



Representatives from Ministry of Information and Communication, Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism, libraries takes a photo

The National Library of Vietnam and the Asia Foundation continue to sign in the Agreement of Co-operation
Besides the book donation program over years, the Asia Foundation has effectively cooperated with NLV to implement various programs and projects in order to improve effectiveness of education and library activities in Vietnam.

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