

In the morning of May 5, 2011, the National Library of Vietnam (NLV) in cooperation with The Asia Foundation (U.S.A) launched the two-day training course on enhancing reader service provision for over 50 librarians of recipient libraries in the South and South Central provinces of Vietnam under the Books for Asia program (BFA program) funded by The Asia Foundation (TAF).

Attending the opening ceremony were Mr. Nguyen Van Tan, Chief – Director of the *representative* agency of *Ministry of Culture*, *Sports and Tourism* in *Ho Chi Minh City*; Ms. Phan Thi Kim Dzong – *director of the NLV*; Ms. Melody Zavala – director of the *Books for Asia Program*, The Asia Foundation headquarters in San Francisco, U.S.A; Ms. Tran Thi Gin – Deputy Director of General Sciences Library in Ho Chi Minh City.

The training course's aim is to provide librarians with supplementary training on service and communication skills while operating reader services, new requirements for provision of library services, roles and tasks of librarians in the era

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library activities.

The training course lasted for 2 days, May 5 - 6, 2011 at the General Sciences Library of Ho Chi Minh City. It is planned that
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librarians of recipient libraries in the North
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Central provinces of Vietnam
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After the training course, staff of NLV and TAF have paid several site survey visits to recipient libraries of the BFA program
in Ho Chi Minh City
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Can Tho

and
Tra
Vinh province
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Also during this business trip to the South provinces, the delegation of NLV headed by director Phan Thi Kim Dzung has visited and presented books to Tay Ninh Provincial Library, district libraries in Hòa Thành, Bến Cù, Trảng Bàng, Tân Châu, Châu Thành, Gò Dầu, Dõng Minh Châu, Tân Biên, Tây Ninh town library and Suối Đá commune library
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Some images of the training course:



Mr. Nguyen Van Tan, Chief – Director of the Representative Agency of Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism, Ho Chi Minh City



Mrs. Phan Thi Kim Dzung – Director of the National Library of Vietnam



Ms. Mary Susan Zavala – Director of the Books for Asia Program, The Asia Foundation Headquarters, USA



Participants from recipient libraries in the South and South Central provinces of Vietnam





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