

ASSOCIATION NAME: **VIECA**
COUNTRY: **VIETNAM**

National Report for FELCA AGM – 2010

AGENTS & Associations

What is the total number of agents operating in your country?

It is around 400 agents

How many agencies are members of your association?

There are 18 members.

Market Growth/Decline

Please include information regarding trends in student numbers and student nationalities.

Vietnam now ranks in the top ten of international students in France, China, Singapore, Malaysia..

no 9th of number of international students in the US and UK

No 7th in Australia,

No 4th in NZ

Vietnam now becomes an emerging important country for Overseas study market.

If information is available or if you can estimate, please provide the following, for **both** your association and all of your country:

	<u>Association</u>	<u>Total from country</u>
▪ total number of language students in 2009	310	
▪ total number of language student weeks in 2009		
▪ total number of high school and university students in 2009	1184	
▪ top 5 destinations in 2009 and % of the market of each		
	<u>Destination</u>	<u>% of your students</u>
1	UK	24
2	Australia	21
3	USA	16,5
4	Singapore	10
5	New Zealand	9,5

Visa regime – any new difficulties?

Visa to UK is now very difficult as they move the visa office to BKK, so it takes long time and requests to provide all original documents to the visa office, which makes the parents of students worry of losing them while transporting these documents from Vietnam to Thailand.

IF the visa office make a mistake it will take them 28 days to correct it, so it affects so much to the time of departure of students as well as time to meet the course in the UK.

Government Relations – any developments with your or other governments?

This year, VIECA co-organised with the Government Training University to conduct training for Education consultants to get official certificates to practise this profession.

Other key issues for the industry?

The number of local Universities and Colleges that can accommodate students at home has been increasing

In Vn for the first time, the Local Uni do not have enough students for their intake

(more than 500 local Uni and Colleges

It make affect the number of students who chose to study abroad in the future like Taiwan

Initiatives/Developments for your association?

1. VIECA has two education fairs in March and November/year with TIECA
2. conduct every two years a professional training course for new Education consultants
3. Public two books/yearly for students