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ITMF Director General Christian Schindler, Ph.D., says: "Welcome to Hanoi. We are looking forward to many attendees at the annual ITMF conference."

国际纺织制造商联盟总干事 Christian Schindler博士说: "欢迎来到河内。我们希望 有更多代表参与ITMF会议。"

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# **ITMF** In Vietnam

# 国际纺织制造商联盟在越南

he ITMF 2012 Annual Conference will take place November 4-6 in Hanoi, Vietnam. It is coorganized by the Switzerlandbased International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF) and VINATEX, the Vietnam National Textile and Garment Group. The theme of the conference is "Challenges for the Textile Industry — Present and Future."

"Volatile raw material markets, sovereign debt crises, currency disputes, political instability in some regions, a blocked Doha-Trade-Round, looming protectionism ... these are just a few of the shortand long-term risks that the world economy is confronted with and which have far reaching implications for the global textile value

chain." With those words, ITMF is introducing the conference.

As ITMF states on its website, the conference delegates "will benefit from a wide range of presentations, meetings and workshops in order to:

- learn more about the ongoing changes affecting the global textile industry;
- · exchange views and experiences regarding the challenges and opportunities of today and tomorrow;, and
- meet colleagues from the textile and affiliated industries from around the world."

Textile World Asia spoke to ITMF Director General Christian Schindler, Ph.D., about the reasons why Vietnam was chosen to be the host of this year's conference.

TWAsia: Why is this year's annual ITMF conference taking place in Vietnam?

Schindler: Vietnam has been opening up in the past two decades and has gradually integrated its economy into the global economy. Its proximity to many rapidly developing and emerging economies in Asia and the regional integration of its economy helped to spur investments and economic growth. Along with Vietnam's economy as a whole, also its textile and apparel industry grew rapidly. Between 2000 and 2010, Vietnam's textile and apparel exports surged from US\$2.1 billion to US\$13.5 billion — an average annual increase of 54.3 percent. While apparel exports still represent approximately 80 percent of the

012国际纺织品制造商联盟年会将于11月4日-6日在越南河内召开。年会由总部位于瑞士的国际纺织品制造商联盟(ITMF)和越南国家纺织服装集团VINATEX联合主办。本届年会的主题是"纺织行业的挑战一当前和未来"。

正如ITMF在它的网站上所宣传的一样,本次会议的代表"将会从一系列的演讲、会议和研讨会中获益,能够:

- 更多的了解这些即将到来 的变化对全球纺织行业的 影响;
- 就今天和未来所面临的挑战和机遇交换意见和经验:
- 会见来自全球的纺织行业以及相关行业的同行。"

《亚洲纺织世界》专访了ITMF总干事ChristianSchindler博士,获悉为什么选择越南作为今年会议的主办地的原因。

《亚洲纺织世界》 为什么 今年的ITMF年会在越南召 开?

Schindler: 越南在过去20年里进行了改革开放,已经逐渐将自己的经济融入了全球经济当中。它临近亚洲很

多快速发展的新兴经济体, 它的经济区域一体化有助于 促进投资和经济增长。越南 的总体经济, 以及它的纺织 服装产业都快速发展。在 2000年到2010年之间, 越南 的纺织服装出口从21亿美元 跃升到135亿美元 一年平均 增长率是54.3%。它的服装 出口仍然占据了该产业出口 的80%, 但纺织品的出口也 在快速增长。根据ITMF的国 际纺织机械运输统计,越南 的基础纺织领域投资非常强 劲。特别是纺纱机械具有突 出的增长。从2000年以来, 越南纺织行业每年平均新增 约21万锭的短纤纱锭。单在 2011年, 行业就新增短纤纺 锭33万锭。

《亚洲纺织世界》 越南纺织行业通过主办本次会议将有什么收获?

Schindler:将ITMF年会带到越南是展示越南纺织服使产业的一次机会,可以以是来的方数的分数的,并与来超时的投资,并与主起的大致的的发展的,并对这共同利益相关的话题。换句话说,主办ITMF年会提供了一个推动越南纺织服装产业发展的可能性。

《亚洲纺织世界》 你对参与这次会议的越南纺织行业具有什么期望?

Schindler: 作为ITMF年会的共同主办方,我们希望参与者能够在各阶段的全体交过以及会议室以外的社交活动中讨论本行业面临的挑战和机遇。ITMF年会是一个的战和机遇。FTMF年会是有能更好的了解发展状况和全球纺织产业链即将到来

industry's exports, textile exports have increased significantly. According to ITMF's International Textile Machinery Shipments Statistics, investments in Vietnam's primary textile industry picked up strongly. Especially the segment of spinning machinery saw a strong increase. Since the year 2000, the Vietnamese textile industry has on average invested in approximately 210,000 new short-staple spindles every year. In 2011 alone, the industry installed 330,000 new short-staple spindles.

**TWAsia**: What are the benefits for the Vietnamese textile industry to organize this conference?

Schindler: Bringing the ITMF Annual Conference to Vietnam is an opportunity to showcase the Vietnamese textile and apparel industry, to promote investments in the industry, to build ties and networks with textile representatives from around the world and to discuss topics of mutual interest. In other words, hosting an ITMF Annual Conference provides the possibility to promote the Vietnamese textile and apparel industry.

**TWAsia**: What do you expect from this conference for the Vietnamese textile industry?

**Schindler**: As the co-organizer of the ITMF Annual Conference, we hope that the participants will discuss the challenges and opportunities of the industry in the various General Sessions as well as during the social activities outside the conference room. The ITMF Annual Conference with a truly

international platform enables all participants to better understand the developments and ongoing changes in the global textile value chain — from fibers to retail that the industry needs to understand to overcome the challenges and to prosper in the future. Of course, we hope that the links between the Vietnamese and the international textile industry can be intensified and strengthened.

TWAsia: What are your hopes for the ITMF attendees for the conference?

Schindler: I hope that the participants will listen to informative presentations, will be able to participate in interesting discussions, will meet old and new colleagues and friends, will learn more about the Vietnamese textile industry, and will better understand the short- and long-term challenges and opportunities of the global textile industry.

TWAsia: What should not be missed while visiting Vietnam and the conference?

Schindler: Attending the ITMF Annual Conference in Hanoi enables every participant to experience first-hand this fascinating country with a vibrant and dynamic society and economy. If time allows, one should also consider participating in the ITMF postconference tour to central Vietnam. The cultural and natural treasures of Vietnam are numerous and definitely worth visiting and seeing. We are looking forward to welcoming a lot of guests to Hanoi in November. TWASTA

的变化 一 从纤维到零售 — 这个行业需要通过了解去战 胜挑战并迎来美好的未来。 当然, 我们也希望越南纺织 产业与国际同行的联系能够 得到加深和加强。

《亚洲纺织世界》: 你对 ITMF与会代表参加会议有 什么期望?

Schindler: 我希望代表 们能倾听有价值的演讲, 与到有趣的讨论 能够遇见老同事并 交新朋友, 能够对越 南纺织行业有更多的了 以及能够更好的了

解全球纺织行业短期和 长期面临的挑战和机遇。

《亚洲纺织世界》 到越南 访问并参加会议, 什么是 不能错过的?

Schindler: 到河内参加 ITMF的年会可以让每一位参 与者亲密接触这个充满活力 和欣欣向荣的国度和它的经 济。 如果时间允许, 代表可 以考虑参加ITMF在会后组织 的参观越南中部地区的游览 活动。越南有数不尽文化和 自然景观,一定值得参观和 访问。 我们希望能在11月的 河内迎来大量的宾客。

# VINATEX

# 越南国家纺织服装集团

VINATEX属于其母公司越 南国家纺织服装集团所有; 包括了研究和培训中心:下 属大约|20家子公司,包括 一些涉足不同领域的股份合 作企业, 例如纺织服装生产 和商业服务。该机构主席是 Vu Duc Giang .

VINATEX制定了2015年越 南纺织服装行业发展战略, 并将目标指向2020年。包括 集中发展专业 化和现代化, 提高纺织服装产品的附加 值。该组织的行动纲领有两

- 通过完成三大决定性项 目来实现该国纺织服装 行业的可持续性、稳定 以及长期的发展,包括 棉花种植, 优质纺纱和 人力资源的培训。
- 完成所有国有纺织服装 企业以及VINATEX的资 本化。

VINATEX is owned by mother company Vietnam National Textile and Garment Group; research and training centers; and nearly 120 sub-companies, which include joint stock companies doing business in various fields, such as textile apparel manufacturing and commercial services. The organization's chairman is Vu Duc Giang,

VINATEX's strategy for developing the Vietnamese textile apparel industry until 2015, with orientation toward 2020. includes a focus on specialization and modernization to offer added value in textile apparel products. The organization's approach comprises two initiatives:

- to achieve sustainable, stable and longterm development of the country's textile apparel industry by implementing three decisive programs — cotton planting, high-quality spinning and human resources training; and
- to complete capitalization of all stateowned textile apparel enterprises and VINATEX.

# 越南Vietnam:

# A Small Tiger Is Growing Up 一只正在崛起的小老虎

经历了严峻的时期,越南付出了艰苦的 努力成为东南亚地区纺织产业的一个主 要竞争者。

After severe times, Vietnam has made tremendous efforts to become a serious player in the textile industry in Southeast Asia.

《亚洲纺织世界》特别报告 *Textile World Asia* Special Report



国有企业仅占了越南商业中的 0.5%;但是有75%的是合资或者有限责任公司。在全球纺织品服装出口中越南位居第五位,该行业目前相关从业人员超过了 200万人,其中130万人直接为该行业工作。

#### 越南国家纺织服装集团

越南国家纺织服装集团(VINATEX)是一家在亚洲颇具实力的纺织服装集团公司,它与65个国家超过400家组织有业务联系。它于1995年国有纺织服装企业的兼并重组中成立。在它的120个组成机构中,95%已经完成股份化改造。VINATEX下属企业雇佣了越南纺织服装行业约9%的劳动力,出口量占全国的18%。

#### 经济

越南的国民生产总值(GDP) 2011年的增长率是5.9%、比 2010年的6.8%有所下滑。但是, 考虑到该国在努力控制通货膨胀, 2011年的GDP保持了相对 高速增长。

越南在2011年纺织品服装出口总值达到了158亿美元,同2010年比增长24.4%。它的主要出口市场是美国,在它的所有出口中占到了69亿美元;其次是欧盟国家,25亿美元;第三是日本,17亿美元。从出口产品看,纱线出口17.9亿美元—比上年增长27.8%。中国市场约占其纱线出口的30.5%;韩国占16.1%;土耳其占15.4%。越南的面料出口达到了8.317亿美元。

# **Main Products Produced By VINATEX Members**

VINATEX 集团企业的主要产品

Product 产品	Unit 单位	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 est 预计
Yarn•纱线	1,000 mt • 公吨	109	123	121	116	115	117	112
Fabrics • 面料	million m <sup>2</sup> • 百万平米	196	222	203	209	224	222	235
Apparel • 制衣	million pcs • 百万件	171	186	205	224	226	245	267
Total Revenues 总收入	billion VDN 10 亿越 南盾	17,811	20,055	22,455	22,960	24,264	29,719	35,912

Table I • 表 I

Source ● 资料来源:VINATEX

在2012年上半年,越南纺织品服装出口仍然继续保持增长,达到77亿美元 — 跟2011年同一时期相比增长8.2%。

2011年,不包括附件在内的纺织品进口为93亿美元一相比2010年的72亿美元增长了28.8%。棉花进口共计33.26万吨,价值10.5亿美元。其它纤维和纱线的进口量为61.41万吨,价值15.3亿美元。面料进口将近67亿美元。

#### 产业结构

越南有70家纺纱厂,其中31家在越南北部,6家在中部,33家在南部。

截止2011年底, 纺织行业 雇佣了84万名员工 — 相比 2010年增长了11.2%。纺织工 人的平均小时工资换算成美 元是60美分。

#### 重要的零售行业

越南纺织行业的基础主要是零售业务。该国有71个纺织品/服装超市,分布在25个城市和省份。计划到2015年超市和贸易中心的数量南增加到200个,并在纺织服物中心。另外的数域,是一个大量的,并建立的线上,并是一个大量的纺织品服装的纺织品服装的

rom humble beginnings since the reunification of its northern and southern regions, Vietnam has become a strong player in the global textile market. The textile and apparel industry plays a major role in increasing the country's prosperity. The Vietnamese textile industry, with more than 3,800 companies, is the leading export sector.

State-owned enterprises make up just 0.5 percent of Vietnam's businesses; however, 75 percent are joint stock or limited companies. The country ranks fifth worldwide in textile and apparel exports and has a labor force in that sector of more than 2 million people, of whom 1.3 million are working directly in the industry.

#### VINATEX

The Vietnam National Textile and Garment Group (VINATEX) is one of Asia's leading textile and apparel groups, and has a relationship with more than 400 organizations from 65 countries. It was established in 1995 as a result of merging textile and apparel state-owned enterprises. Of its 120 members, 95 percent already have been equitized. VINATEX member companies account for 9 percent of the Vietnamese textile and apparel industry's total labor force and 18 percent of total exports.

#### **Economy**

Vietnam's gross domestic product (GDP) grew by 5.9 percent in 2011, down from 6.8 percent in

# Vietnamese Textile Capacities And Imports In 2010 2010 年越南纺织品产量及进口量

Product 产品	Unit 单位	Capacity 产量	Import 进口量
Yarn•纱线	1,000 mt • 公吨	514	582.2
Wovens • 梭织	million m <sup>2</sup> • 百万平米	680	2180
Circular knits • 圆针织物	1,000 mt • 公吨	58	70
Flat knits • 平针织物	I,000 mt • 公吨	23	106.1
Towels • 毛巾	I,000 mt • 公吨	38	-
Tire cord • 轮胎帘子布	I,000 mt • 公吨	8	_
Nonwovens • 非织造布	million m <sup>2</sup> • 百万 平米	19	

Source • 资料来源:VINATEX

Table 2 • 表2

# Vietnamese Textile And Apparel Industry Development Plan

越南纺织服装行业发展计划

		2010	2015	2020
Export • 出口量	US\$·美元	11.2 billion • 112 亿美元	18 billion • 180 亿美元	25 billion • 250 亿美元
Capacity/year • 年产量	Spinning • 纺纱	550,000 mt 55 万吨	880,000 mt 88 万吨	I million mt 吨 I 百万吨
	Weaving • 织造	680 million m <sup>2</sup> 6.8 亿 平米	1,500 million m <sup>2</sup> 15 亿平米	2,000 million m <sup>2</sup> 20 亿平米
	Apparel • 制衣	I.8 billion units I8 亿件	2.85 billion units 28.5 亿件	4 billion units 40 亿件
Workforce • 从业人员		2 million • 200 万	2.75 million • 275 万	3 million • 300 万

Source ● 资料来源: VINATEX

Table 3 • 表3

2010. However, 2011 GDP growth was relatively high considering the country's efforts to control inflation.

Vietnam's textile and apparel exports in 2011 totaled US\$15.8 billion, up 24.4 percent compared to 2010. Its main export markets were the United States, which accounted for \$6.9 billion of those exports; the European Union, \$2.5 billion; and Japan, \$1.7 billion. Of the total textile and apparel exports, yarn exports accounted for \$1.79 billion - up 27.8 percent from the previous year. China accounted for 30.5 percent of yarn exports; Korea, 16.1 percent; and Turkey, 15.4 percent. Vietnam's fabric exports totaled \$831.7 million.

Vietnamese textile and apparel exports continued to record growth in the first six months of 2012, growing by US\$7.7 billion — an 8.2-percent increase over the same period in 2011.

In 2011, textile imports, not including accessories, netted US\$9.3 billion — a 28.8-percent increase over 2010 imports worth US\$7.2 billion. Cotton imports totaled 332,600 metric tons (mt) valued at US\$1.05

billion. Imports of other fibers and yarns totaled 614,100 mt and were worth US\$1.53 billion. Fabric imports totaled approximately US\$6.7 billion.

#### **Structure**

There are 70 spinning companies in Vietnam, 31 of which are located in northern Vietnam, 6 in the middle region and 33 in the south.

At the end of 2011, the textile sector employed some 840,000 people — 11.2-percent more than in 2010. The average hourly wage for textile workers that year was 60 cents in U.S. currency terms.

#### **Important Retail Business**

The cornerstone of the Vietnamese textile industry is basically the retail business. The country has 71 textile/apparel supermarkets, with locations in 25 cities and provinces. Plans call for increasing that number to 200 supermarket and trade centers nationwide by 2015, and to establish textile and apparel material and accessories centers in northern and southern Vietnam. Plans are also in place to

越南纺织品服装行业的客 户包括全球主要品牌。仅仅 举其三大主要出口市场仅仅 举其三大主要出口市场,美 国的品牌及零售商包括 JCPenney、耐克、Gap、 Philips Van Heusen, Liz Claiborne、Target以及Perry Ellis; 欧洲的品牌及零售商 包括玛莎、C&A、Otto、骆 驼、Seidensticker、皮尔卡丹 以及Jacques Britt; 日本的品 牌及零售商包括伊藤洋、 Nissho Iwai, Marubeni, Mitsui, Seikyo, Mitsukoshi 以及Katakura。

#### 产量

越南每年消耗的棉花大约是40万吨 — 其中35%从美国进口, 32%从印度进口, 19%来自南非。

2010年,越南共有环锭纺365.6756万锭,气流纺10.4348万锭。它每年的纱线产量是51.4万吨,主要都是纯棉纱。国内市场消耗占了所生产纱线的34.7%。2010年梭织织物的产量是6.8亿平米。上述产品及其它纺织品的现有产量和进口量见下面的表2。

#### 投资机会

今天的越南纺织行业包括了服装裁剪企业。计划中的投资将为上游纺织品生产建立制造能力。在2012-2014年VINATEX计划投资上游纺织生产有以下几种:

- 粘胶纤维工厂(第一阶段): 3万吨/年产量;Quang Ngai 省
- 6万锭紧密纺工厂: 4500 吨/年产量; Pho Noi B 产业区(Hung yen省)
- 坯布面料工厂: 3000万米 /年产量; Pho Noi B产业 区(Hung yen省)
- 染色工厂: 3000万米/年产量; Pho Noi B产业区(Hung yen省)

promote and enhance fashion brands to increase competitive strengths, and to create an online textile/apparel trade website.

The Vietnamese textile and apparel industry's customers include the top labels worldwide. To name a few from the top three markets, U.S. brands and retailers include, among others, JCPenney, Nike, Gap, Philips Van Heusen, Liz Claiborne, Target and Perry Ellis; European brands and retailers include Marks & Spencer, C&A, Otto, Camel, Seidensticker, Pierre Cardin and Jacques Britt; and Japanese brands and retailers include Itochu, Nissho Iwai, Marubeni, Mitsui, Seikyo, Mitsukoshi and Katakura.

### **Capacities**

Vietnam consumes some 400,000 mt of cotton annually — with 35 percent of that total imported from the United States, 32 percent from India and 19 percent from South Africa.

In 2010, 3,656,756 ring spindles

and 104,348 rotors were installed in Vietnam. Total yarn production capacity was 514,000 mt per year, primarily for 100-percent cotton yarn. Domestic consumption accounted for 34.7 percent of the yarn produced. Woven fabric capacity in 2010 was 680 million square meters (m²). The available production capacities and imports of these and other textile products are shown in Table 2.

#### **Investment Opportunities**

Investment projects, along with government incentives for foreign investment, are deemed to be central to the improvement of the Vietnamese textile and apparel industry as Vietnam seeks to strengthen its competitive position in global apparel markets. Other contributing factors include low labor costs and a stable political environment.

The Vietnamese textile industry today comprises mainly apparel cutand-sew enterprises. Investments are in the works to build manufacturing capacity for upstream textile

# **VINATEX Target And Development Plan**

VINATEX 发展目标

		2010	2015	2020
Turnover • 营业额	VND·越南盾	29,719 billion	53,858 billion	
Export • 出口量	US\$ • 美元	1.9 billion • 19 亿美元	3.9 billion • 39 亿美元	5 billion • 50 亿美元
Capacity/year • 年产量	Spinning • 纺纱	17,200 tons   1.72 万吨	231,000 tons 23.1 万吨	300,000 tons 30 万吨
	Weaving • 织造	222 million m <sup>2</sup> 2.22 亿平米	506 million m <sup>2</sup> 5.06 亿平米	675 million m <sup>2</sup> 6.75 亿平米
	Apparel • 制衣	245 million units 2.45 亿件	503 million units 5.03 亿件	706 million units 7.06 亿件
Workforce • 从业人员		110,000・11万	210,000 • 21万	290,000 •29万

Source ● 资料来源: VINATEX

Table 4 · 表4

production. Among 2012-2014 VINATEX planned investments in upstream textile production are the following:

- Viscose fiber plant (phase one): 30,000 mt/year capacity; Quang Ngai Province;
- Compact spinning mill with 60,000 spindles: 4,500 mt/year capacity; Pho Noi B Industrial Zone (Hung yen province);
- Greige fabrics plant: 30 million running meters/year capacity;
   Pho Noi B Industrial Zone (Hung yen province); and
- Dyeing plant: 30 million running meters/year capacity; Pho
   Noi B Industrial Zone (Hung yen province).

#### **Human Resources**

VINATEX is focusing on R&D and training to foster competitiveness. There are plans for the long-term development of vocational schools and colleges. In this context, 20,000 workers should receive training to reach intermediate, college, or higher skill levels. Furthermore, there is a plan to provide the industry with some 60,000 educated and skilled workers every year. And finally, the textile industry wants to cooperate with international partners to provide high-quality training.

#### **Future Plans**

The Vietnamese textile and apparel industry has an ambitious target plan, with investment capital estimated to total approximately US\$25 billion in 2020 (See Table 3). A complete infrastructure is planned for the industrial

#### 人力资源

#### 未来的计划

越南纺织服装行业制定了一个野心勃勃的目标计划,到2020年投资额预计将达到约250亿美元(见表3)。一套完整的基础设施建设计划将在纺织行业聚集区实施,包括交通系统、电力和水力供应,排水和废水处理中心等。

目前纺织服装行业的总占地面积达到510公顷, 主要集中在两个区域: 北部,Pho Noi B占据面积121公顷,Bao Minh占据165公顷;南部,

# 越南纺织行业自我评估 Vietnamese Textile Industry Self Evaluation

在VINATEX协助下,越南的纺织行业对自身的优势和不足之处做了SWOT分析。SWOT分析是一种对业务或项目进行优势、劣势/局限、机遇以及挑战进行战略分析的方法。

#### 优势

- 占主导的出口量和极具潜力的国内市场:
- 工资低廉的熟练工人;
- 翻新及现代化的设备;
- 稳定的政治环境;
- 政府鼓励政策。

#### 劣势

- 大部分企业是中小规模;
- 50%的原材料需要进口;
- 生产管理仍然不足和低效;
- 对市场战略不重视。

#### 机遇

- 从中国到东南亚联盟国家包括越南的产业转移趋势;
- 从潜在市场例如俄罗斯和 韩国吸引投资者;

- 在美国、欧盟和日本市场 份额正不断扩大;
- 人口众多:8600万人。

#### 挑战

- 包括中国、印度和印度尼西亚在内的强劲竞争对手:
- 技术、卫生、社会责任等方面的问题。

#### 竞争优势

然而,相比它的邻近几个国家,VINATEX例举了几项主要的竞争优势:

- 在熟练、快速学习及工资低廉的劳动力方面具有丰富资源;
- 现代化设施支持高质量的水处理系统;
- 在制造及出口上的地理位置具有价格竞争力;
- 与国际大买家/进口商具有良好的有力的纽带;
- 优质产品的信誉度得到承认;
- 与主要出口市场的自由贸易协议的支持。

Binh An占据76公顷, VINATEX Tan Tao占 据148公 顷。计划中纺织服装生产 工业占地面积未来将极大 拓展。

此次扩建包括以下项目, 由土地总1.080公顷组成:

- 北部: Ha Nam; Nam Dinh; Nghe An.
- 中部: Da Nang; Khanh Hoa: Binh Thuan.
- 南部: Long An;

Ben Tre: Tra Vinh.

#### 光明的未来

随着纺织企业不断升级它 们的设备以提高竞争力, 越 南纺织行业的未来充满了希 望。在过去3年里,该行业 的产业结构发生了巨大的变 化、特别是纺纱部门。TWAsla

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In collaboration with VINATEX, the Vietnamese textile industry evaluated its own strengths and weaknesses in a SWOT analysis. A SWOT analysis is a strategic planning method to evaluate the strengths, weaknesses/limitations, opportunities and threats involved in a business or project. Here is the outcome of the analysis:

# Strengths

- · Dominant exporting capability and highly potential domestic market;
- · Low costs, skillful labor force;
- Renovated/modernized equipment;
- · Stable political environment; and
- · Incentive policies.

#### Weaknesses

- · Most enterprises are medium and small size;
- 50 percent of raw materials are imported;
- · Production management is still weak and inefficient; and
- · Marketing strategy is not paid serious attention.

### **Opportunities**

· Shifting trend from China to Association of Southeast Asian Nations

(ASEAN) countries, including Vietnam;

- Attracting investors from potential markets such as Russia and Korea;
- Expanding market share in United States, European Union and Japan market; and
- Large population: 86 million people.

#### **Threats**

- · Strong competition from rivals including China, India and Indonesia; and
- · Bargains of technology, hygiene, social responsibilities.

#### **Competitive Advantages**

However, VINATEX has defined some important competitive advantages over its neighboring states, such as:

- · Abundant source of skillful, fastlearning and wage-competitive labor;
- · Modern facilities backed with highquality water treatment systems;
- · Cost-competitive locations for manufacturing and exporting;
- · Good and strong relationships with big international buyers/importers;
- Recognition of credibility for high-quality products; and
- · Support from free trade agreements with major exporting markets.

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areas, including traffic systems, power and water supply, drainage and wastewater treatment centers.

The current textile and apparel industrial total area of 510 hectares (ha) is based in two regions: in the north, in Pho Noi B comprising 121 ha and Bao Minh comprising 165 ha; and in the south, in Binh An comprising 76 ha and VINATEX Tan Tao comprising 148 ha. There is an ambitious plan to further extend the industrial area for textiles and apparel production. The expansion includes the following projects, comprising a land total of 1,080 ha:

• North:

Ha Nam; Nam Dinh; and Nghe An.

Center:

Da Nang; Khanh Hoa; and Binh Thuan.

• South:

Long An; Ben Tre; and Tra Vinh.

### **Bright Future**

The future of the Vietnamese textile industry looks bright due to continuous efforts of textile companies to upgrade their equipment to enhance their competitiveness. Over the last three years, there has been a fundamental change in the industry's structure, especially in the spinning subsector. TWAsia

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