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DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

- Vietnam is Asia's 2nd fastest growing economy?
- An economic growth rate of close to of 8% is expected to exceed over the next 5 years?
- The majority of Vietnam's imports come from China, Singapore, Taiwan, Japan, and South Korea?
- Vietnam joined the WTO in 2007?
- 85% of women between the ages of 40 and 44 are engaged in economic activity?
- Two sisters raised the army that liberated Vietnam from colonial rule?
- One out of every three major Vietnamese companies is headed by a woman.



SPECIAL EDITION: 2008 GLOBAL SUMMIT OF WOMEN

GlobeWomen extends its best wishes for the coming year to its entire 'family' of participants at past Summits and Colloquia, as well as to its Subscribers and Supporters. We look forward to reconnecting with all of you in 2008 and look forward to seeing some of you at the various offerings and events in our schedule.

Given all the inquiries we have received regarding the exciting 2008 Global Summit of Women scheduled for June 5-7 in Hanoi, Vietnam, we decided to dedicate this issue to provide additional details regarding this upcoming global gathering. Much of the information is online at www.globewomen.org and we invite you to log on to look at the program, use the registration and hotel reservation forms, and to get to know Vietnam. We will continually update the site, so do check it from time to time to get the latest information.



THEME:

Women and Asia: Driving the 21st Century Global Economy. The 2008 Summit focuses on two key change agents of this century's economy – the **women of the world** who will impact on each country's global competitiveness as consumers, workers and enterprise builders; and **the Asia Pacific region**, whose sheer size and rapid growth is already altering the leadership landscape of this century's global market.

The Summit will have several speakers cover the opportunities presented by this region, as well as present a special forum on **Doing Business with Vietnam**, the new Asian tiger – a forum presided by **Vietnam's Deputy Prime Minister** the day before the Summit begins. To get to know the women's market in the Asia Pacific region, **MasterCard will release its annual report on women at the Summit.**



PARTICIPANTS:

Over 50 International Member and Partner Organizations have already joined the Summit (see the website for entire listing) and more are poised to join. The diverse countries represented by these women's business/professional/ entrepreneurial groups signal the continuing truly global nature of the Summit. The head of IBM/Taiwan, the Executive Chairperson of Stargate Capital Investments, the CEO of Carnival Australia, and the CEO of Qiagen, a German biotech company are just some of the corporate leaders who will be part of an exciting roster of over 80 presenters. There will be a special effort to showcase the talented Asia/Pacific and Vietnamese businesswomen, who are major players in reshaping the economies of this region.



VENUE:

The Hanoi Melia Hotel is the official Summit venue for all the sessions. A limited number of rooms are available at the headquarters hotel on a first-come, first-served basis. The hotel reservation form is on-line and will go directly to the Melia. Other satellite hotels a few minutes from the Melia have also been secured, and Summit buses will be available for delegates' use to and from the headquarters hotel.

The Vietnamese government and the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry will host delegates at a **Welcoming Dinner at the National Convention Center**, site of the 2006 APEC/CEO Summit. A full panoply of Vietnamese cultural performances are planned to give delegates an understanding of the richness of Vietnamese performing arts.



WEXPO:

A limited number of 30 booths for Summit delegates are available again on a first-come, first-served basis. Last year's delegates bemoaned the lack of opportunity to display products from women-owned firms, so a special effort was made this year to allocate room for a mini-trade fair. The form is also on-line. Please note the deadline for securing a booth.



VISAS:

The visa process is a lengthy one, so Summit delegates are urged to apply for their visas the soonest travel plans are made. A special Global Summit of Women window at Hanoi's Airport Immigration will be available to facilitate entry into the country. Those delegates ***without a Vietnamese embassy or consulate in their country*** will be allowed to secure visas at the airport upon provision of certain required documentation, which are listed on the Summit website.



TRAVEL:

Vietnam Airlines is the official carrier of the 2008 Global Summit of Women. Information on booking air travel on Vietnam Airlines at reduced rates will be posted shortly on the Summit website. Transportation to and from the Hanoi Airport will be available for Summit participants at \$5 per person in minivans, which can be secured at special Summit Transportation desks at the airport.



TOURS:

The Global Summit of Women is making arrangements for delegates to see the beautiful sites of Vietnam through special reduced rates. Delegates will have the opportunity to network while they tour together. Check the Summit website in the coming weeks for the listing of such tours and the registration form to book selected tours directly.

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