



INVITATION LETTER

END-PROJECT AND EXPERIENCE SHARING WORKSHOP:

SCALING UP AND STRENGTHENING BAREFOOT COLLEGE INTERVENTIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA-PHASE 1: PILOT PROJECT IN VIETNAM

08:30 – 12:00 on December 6th, 2017 Fortuna Hotel, No.6B Lang Ha Street, Ba Dinh district, Hanoi

Gret and Barefoot College would like to invite you to attend the End-project and experience sharing workshop "Solar energy accessibility and development of income generation activities for poor women in Thanh Hoa province"- a pilot project in the program of scaling up and strengthening Barefoot College interventions in Southeast Asia.

1.6 billion people do not have access to electricity, especially in rural areas. There, middle-aged women are often illiterate and benefit the least from any rural development program. Their social standing and opportunities are compounded by neglect.

Barefoot College targets exclusively this group, the most stable element of rural life; and proved that providing them with technical training is the best way to create skills that remain in the village. GRET intends to help Barefoot College in Southeast Asia, widen the benefits of clean energy to income generation activities (IGAs) and strengthen the scale up strategy.

In Thanh Hóa province of Vietnam, ethnic minorities scarcely populate the upland in difficult terrain.GRET Vietnam proposes to try the Barefoot College approach and to enrich it with: (1) identification of potential solar-based IGAs and (2) assess the scale up potential with a sector-wide approach. Knowledge acquired during the project will be shared to solicit new partnerships, scale up and replication

GRET Vietnam

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Nguyen Huu Ninh Country Representative

WORKSHOP AGENDA

| 08:00 - 08:30 | Registration |
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| 08:30 - 08:40 | Opening speech of Gret Vietnam representative |
| 08:40 - 09:00 | Video on some activities funded by Cartier Foundation |
| 09:00 - 09:30 | Introduction about the Barefoot program – Methodologies and approaches. |
| 09:30 - 10:00 | Key achievements and experiences of the piloted project in Vietnam |
| 10:00 - 10:15 | Questions/ Answers |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Tea-break |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | Talkshow – Experience sharing with the Villages' Board of Solar Energy and Solar Mama trained by project in Tilonia, India |
| 11:30 | Closing speech |
| 12:00 | Lunch |

Kindly confirm your participation before December 4th, 2017 Huỳnh Thị Diễm Thuỳ Telephone number: 024-38464491 Email: <u>gret.vietnam@gret.org</u>





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