

# Meeting of Spain - Viet Nam partners

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# Context: Institution & policies

- Party Resolution in 2004 (1% GDP on EP)
- Legal framework and policies:
  - Orientation Strategy for SD (Agenda 21; 2004)
  - LEP (1993-05)-SEA; Laws on Land (2006, revision 2010), Law on Forest protection Development, Fisheries, Minerals Law – revision 2010, Water Resources Law – revision 2010, on Biodiversity (2008)
  - Environmental pillar included in SEDP 2006-2010
  - National Strategy for Envir. Protection until 2010 and vision toward 2020 (NSEP)
  - NRE 5 year plan 2006-2010, next 2011-2015.

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- Institution: MOSTE /NEA → MONRE/VEA in 2002
- MONRE
- Provincial departments of NRE
- District units of environment
- VEA in 2009 and its sub-office in the central and the South.
- Environmental police
  
- Department of Environment in all ministries
- Provincial department of ARD, DOIT, DOC, DOT, etc. have related mandates

# Challenges (1)

- Pollution – land, water, air, marine & coastal...
  - facts: HN and HCM are among most air-polluted cities in the world; mainly dust concentration
  - Fast economics growth - Energy demand
  - Industry and urban development
  - Irrational use of NRs
  - Law enforcement
  - Decentralization/ economic development vs. environmental pollutions Agendas
- Biodiversity losses and Natural Resource degradation
  - facts: Species under threat 700 in 1996 -> 880 in 2008
  - Population
  - Overexploitation of NRs
  - Degradation of native forests

# Challenges (2)

- Hazardous wastes pollution/ chemicals
  - Facts: health impacts and environmental damages
  - Dioxin/ A-O from the war
  - POPs Pesticides, and medical wastes,
  - Medical waste
  - Wastes from industry development
- Climate change and Disasters
  - Changes in climate patterns, less predictable
  - Sea level rises (SLR)
  - Increased frequency and intensity of floods, landslides storms, heat waves, droughts, salt water intrusion, vector-born diseases
  - Climate resilience for infrastructure.

# Challenges (3)

- Law enforcement
  - Craft Villages
  - Government staff capacity/ equipment
  - infrastructure
  
- Decentralization
  - Budget law
  - Provincial authorities have man priorities
  
- Collaboration among ministries and between ministries and provinces/district

# Law on Environmental Protection (LEP)

## 15 Chapters

- Chapter 2 – Environmental standard
- Ch 3 – SEA & EIA
- Ch 4 – Conservation and Rational use of NR
- Ch 5 – Env Protection in Production, Business and Service Activities
- Ch 6 – Environmental Protection in Urban Centers & Residential Areas
- Ch 7 – Protection of marine, River and other Water Resources Env.
- Ch 8 –Waste Management
- Ch 10 – Env Monitoring and Information
- Ch 14 – Inspection, Handling of Violations, settlement of complaints.,. And compensation for Env damage.

**Thank you!**