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Viet Nam's Representative to the ACWC for Women's Rights

Mdm. Thuy is a career public sector executive, started her career as Officer for International Cooperation Dept., at the National Committee for Protection and Care for Children in Viet Nam. Currently she holds the position of Deputy Director General, International Cooperation Dept. at the Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs, of Viet Nam. Regionally, she is also a National Focal Points for SOMSWD (ASEAN Senior Official Meeting on Social Welfare and Development) and National Focal Points of ACW (ASEAN Committee on Women). As an expert in children's and women's rights in particular and social welfare and development, in general, she advised on policies and programmes relating to the protection and promotion of the rights children and women. She headed the Compiling Team for National Reports on the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) implementation and acted as a member of the Compiling Team for National Reports to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). She also headed the National Drafting Team of the Ha Noi Declaration on Enhancement of Welfare and Development of ASEAN Women and Children (which was approved by the ASEAN Leaders at the 17th ASEAN Summit). For her valued contribution to women's rights agenda, she was appointed as Viet Nam's Representative for Women's Rights to the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) in 2010. Then, she was elected as the Interim Chair of ACWC from 4/2010 - 2/2011. She is a linguist by academic training. She participated in various advanced courses on women's and children's rights.