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

Dang Hoa Nam has worked in the field of children's right, communication, social marketing and public relations for over 20 years. Currently, Hoa Nam is the Deputy General Director of Child Protection and Care Department at the Ministry of Labour-Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA) of Viet Nam. A dual career person- as government officer and journalist, Hoa Nam has penchant for the children development, protection, and promotion of children's rights as well as in journalism and communication. He served as a specialist in Communication and Press of the Vietnam Committee for Protection and Care of Children (VNCPC). He has acted as Editor for Youth TV Program- Vietnam Television (VTV) and then headed the communication session of the VNCPC. Back in 1994, he founded "All for Children" TV programme and became Head of Editor- Board of the Programme under the Vietnam Television (VTV). Ten years later, he founded the *Vietnam Child Helpline*, hotline service proving counselling and connecting services for children and families. He is also a founder of *journalists club for children* which belongs to Vietnam Journalist Association and became Vice-Chair person of the Club. As an expert in child's rights and child protection, he is an active member of Vietnam Steering Committee for The Coordinated Mekong Ministerial Initiative against Human Trafficking (COMMIT). Recognising his great contribution of the children's rights, he was appointed as the Viet Nam's Representative to the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) in 2010. He holds a graduate degree in literature from Ha Noi University.