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Dear TPO Members,

Following up on the previous correspondence dated July 3, 2025 (TPO-25703-443), we are pleased to invite all members to the 12th TPO General Assembly taking place from September 3-6, 2025, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

The Assembly is the highest decision body, playing a vital role in guiding policy direction, aligning strategic priorities, and strengthening collaboration amongst members. In this regard, the attendance of all members is essential to ensure inclusive representation and collective decision making on key matters to shape the future of our organization.

The **online registration** for the event is now open. All participants are kindly requested to complete their registration via the following link: <http://tpoassembly.org/registration.asp> by **Friday, August 15, 2025**. Early registration is highly appreciated to ensure smooth logistical arrangements by both the Secretariat and the host city.

To enrich the program and showcase the unique initiatives of our member cities, this year's Assembly will feature a range of presentation opportunities where members can share their experiences and achievements in tourism development. These include:

- **Session III:** Case presentations by member cities focusing on innovative strategies and best practices in line with the Assembly's theme;
- **TPO Joint Promotion Presentation** and **TPO Tourism Roadshow**, offering promotional platforms to introduce key tourism resources and initiatives;
- **TPO Best Awards Ceremony 2025**, celebrating excellence in tourism innovation and governance (Further details will be announced in due course.)

All additional information is provided in the accompanying attachments. Should you need any further assistance, please contact the TPO and the host.

The Secretariat looks forward to your active participation.

- Encl.: 1. General Information Note (1st Version)
2. Administration Note (1st Version)
3. Session 3 (Case Presentation) Application Form
4. Draft Program of TPO Joint Promotion Presentation
5. Tentative Program of TPO Tourism Roadshow

Sincerely yours,



TPO Secretariat

The 12th TPO General Assembly & Related Meetings

General Information Note



**Tourism Promotion Organization
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1. Outline

- ❑ Period: Wed. September 3 – Sat. September 6, 2025 / 4 days
- ❑ Theme: Shaping the Future of Tourism: Embracing Digital and Green Transformation
- ❑ Venue: Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel and Saigon Exhibition & Convention Center (SECC), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- ❑ Participants: Approximately 400 delegates (expected), including representatives from TPO members, Tourism-related organizations, Media, etc.

2. Draft Program

Date	Time	Program			Venue
Tue., Sep 2	All day	Arrival of Participants			Ton Son Nhat Intl' Airport
Wed., Sep 3	All day	Arrival of Participants			Ton Son Nhat Intl' Airport
	13:00- 15:00	The 45 th TPO Executive Committee Meeting (Executive Committee Members Only)			Sheraton
	15:00- 15:40	The 12th TPO General Assembly Opening Ceremony			Sheraton
	15:40- 17:00	Session I			Sheraton
	18:00	Vietnam Night			tbd
Thu., Sep 4	10:00- 12:00	Session II & ITE High-level Tourism Forum			SECC
	12:00	Luncheon			tbd
	13:30- 15:00	TPO Joint Promotion Presentation	<i>TPO Tourism Roadshow</i>	SECC	Sheraton
	15:00- 16:30	Leaders' Conference		Sheraton	
	18:00	TPO Night (Gala Dinner)			tbd
Fri., Sep 5	10:00- 11:30	Session III	<i>(Bilateral Meetings)</i>	<i>TPO Tourism Roadshow</i>	Sheraton
	12:00	Luncheon			tbd
	14:00- 16:00	Plenary Session	<i>(Bilateral Meetings)</i>	<i>TPO Tourism Roadshow</i>	Sheraton
	18:00	Farewell Dinner			tbd
Sat., Sep 6	09:00- 15:00	Site Inspection Tour of Ho Chi Minh City			tbd

3. Introduction of the Program

Tuesday, 2 September 2025

Arrival of the Participants

All day Registration of the participants

Wednesday, 3 September 2025 (Day 1)

The 45th TPO Executive Committee Meeting *(Venue: Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel)*

All day Registration of the participants

13:00-15:00

The 45th TPO Executive Committee (EXCOM) Meeting

The Executive Committee members convene to deliberate on key issues related to the operation of the Organization, including budget plans, joint projects, and the admission of new members. The outcomes of these discussions will be submitted to the General Assembly for final approval. During this session, the next Executive Committee for the upcoming term will also be nominated.

The 12th TPO General Assembly *(Venue: Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel)*

15:00-15:40

Opening Ceremony (Venue: tbd)

The Opening Ceremony will officially launch the 12th General Assembly and introduce the overall program. All delegates from TPO members and invited guests are warmly welcome to attend this ceremonial event.

15:40-17:00

Session I: Digital Innovation for Sustainable Urban Tourism Futures

This session will focus on how digital innovation can drive sustainable growth and transformation in the urban tourism sector. Keynote speeches and a panel discussion will explore cutting-edge technologies, data-driven strategies, and inter-governmental collaboration models that enhance tourism experiences while minimizing environmental impact.

18:00

Vietnam Night (Venue: tbd)

Held alongside the International Travel Expo Ho Chi Minh City (ITE HCMC 2025), this night offers the first formal opportunity for all participants to network and experience Vietnamese hospitality.

As one of the signature social events of the assembly, it will bring together hundreds of city leaders, tourism professionals, and global stakeholders from around the world, providing a vibrant platform for international networking, cultural exchange, and collaboration.

Thursday, 4 September 2025 (Day 2)

- 10:00-12:00 **Session II & ITE High-Level Tourism Forum** (Venue: SECC)
Held in conjunction with the ITE (International Travel Expo) HCMC 2025, this session brings together high-level leaders from governments, international organizations, and the private sector to explore how digital technology and green strategies are reshaping the global tourism landscape. Speakers will present innovative tools, sustainable models, and future tourism forecasts, sharing practical insights for building resilient and competitive tourism systems.
- 12:00 **Luncheon** (Venue: tbd)
- 15:00-16:30 **Leaders' Conference** (Venue: Sheraton)
High-level delegates, including mayoral-level representatives from TPO members as well as invited dignitaries from the host will gather for a closed-door conference. The round table meeting offers a strategic dialogue platform for leaders to share insights on key urban tourism issues, their city-level priorities, and innovative practices.
- 18:00 **TPO Night (Gala Dinner)** (Venue: tbd)

Friday, 5 September 2025 (Day 3)

- 10:00-11:30 **Session III: Case Presentation of TPO Members** (Venue: Sheraton)
This session provides a platform for TPO members to showcase their best practices, success stories, and initiatives in tourism. Presentations should align with the Assembly's main theme, highlighting how member cities are responding to current challenges and opportunities in the tourism sector.
- 12:00 **Luncheon** (Venue: tbd)
- 14:00-16:00 **Plenary Session** (Venue: Sheraton)
As the Organization's highest decision-making body, the General Assembly will deliberate on important issues, including the election of the next President and Co-President cities (2025–2027), and the selection of the host cities for the 13th General Assembly (2027) and the 11th TPO Forum (2028). All member cities are required to attend and participate in this important session.
- 18:00 **Farewell Dinner** (Venue: tbd)
The Farewell Dinner marks the official conclusion of the General Assembly, providing a warm and memorable closing for all participants. It offers an opportunity for reflection, appreciation, and networking before departure.

Saturday, 5 September 2025 (Day 3)

09:00-15:00

Site Inspection Tour of Ho Chi Minh City (Venue: tbd)

Participants will have a chance to explore the dynamic tourism resources and infrastructure of Ho Chi Minh City — one of Vietnam’s top travel destinations.

Side Events of the 12th TPO General Assembly (Venue: Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel, SECC)

TPO Best Awards Ceremony 2025

Date and Time: tbd (Venue: tbd)

The TPO Best Award aims to recognize and celebrate outstanding achievements in tourism policy, innovation, and sustainable development among TPO member cities and tourism-related organizations. Launched in 2013, this Awards Program has historically served as a platform to showcase exemplary tourism initiatives and share best practices across the network. The 2025 edition introduces a refreshed structure, reflecting global tourism trends emphasizing digital transformation, ESG principles, inclusive development, governance, and intercity cooperation while streamlining award categories for clarity and impact.

All award recipients will be honored at the TPO Best Awards Ceremony during the 12th TPO General Assembly in Ho Chi Minh City. Winning entries will be showcased to all delegates, providing high visibility and networking opportunities. Further details will be provided in a separate notice.

TPO Joint Promotion Presentation

September 4, 13:30 – 15:00 (Venue: SECC)

TPO Joint Promotion Presentation offers member cities a valuable opportunity to showcase their tourism strategies, signature attractions, and key initiatives to international leaders, industry stakeholders, and media representatives. Each participating city will be allocated approximately 10 minutes for their presentation, providing a platform to enhance inter-city visibility and foster collaboration in the tourism sector. **Members wishing to participate are kindly requested to indicate their interest via the online registration form(<http://tpoassembly.org/registration.asp>).**

TPO Tourism Roadshow (tentative)

September 4, 14:00 – September 5, 18:00 (Venue: Sheraton)

This two-day promotional event offers TPO member cities a valuable platform to showcase their unique tourism products, attractions, and key initiatives.

With exhibition booths located in the hotel foyer, the Roadshow facilitates greater visibility, networking, and collaboration with local tourism stakeholders, media, and participants of the International Tourism Expo (ITE) HCMC 2025. **Members wishing to participate are kindly requested to indicate their interest via the online registration form(<http://tpoassembly.org/registration.asp>).**

ITE Hosted Buyer Program

September 2 – September 6 (Venue: SECC)

This program is a special benefit for TPO member cities, organized with the strong support of Ho Chi Minh City. It is designed to support tourism businesses located in TPO member cities by enhancing their international competitiveness in an increasingly challenging global tourism market.

Participating companies—especially outbound travel agencies and tourism operators—will be invited to attend the ITE HCMC 2025 as official hosted buyers.

Selected buyers will receive: Round-trip economy class airfare, Four (4) nights of hotel accommodation (with breakfast), Ground transportation (airport pick-up/drop-off and venue transfers), Access to official B2B meetings, networking sessions, and optional post-show tours. **For further details, please refer to the separate official letter (Ref. TPO-250717-464).**

The 12th TPO General Assembly & Related Meetings

Administration Note



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1. Outline

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Participants: Approximately 400 delegates (expected), including representatives from TPO members, Tourism-related organizations, Media, etc.

2. Contact details

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3. Official Website

The 12th TPO General Assembly Website: <http://tpoassembly.org/>

TPO Official Website: <http://aptpo.org/eng>

All official documents will be made available on the 12th TPO General Assembly website.

Detailed information on the host, event venues, programs, transportation, accommodation, etc. can be found on the website

4. Registration

All participants are required to complete their online registration via the 12th TPO General Assembly website (<http://tpoassembly.org/registration.asp>). The registration system will be open from July 16 to August 15, 2025. Please note that revisions and re-submissions are possible, so we encourage you to complete your registration by the designated deadline, even if your travel or accommodation details may change later.

5. Order of precedence

Seating arrangements for all events, functions, and meetings will, in principle, be based on the English alphabetical order of the name of the city.

6. Working language

Article 3 (Language), TPO Statute

The official working language of the Organization shall be English.

The working language for the 12th TPO General Assembly will be English. *Simultaneous interpretation will be provided as necessary.*

7. Entry formalities

Vietnam provides visa exemption to citizens of the countries listed in the Appendix(attached). For detailed information on visas as well as on countries whose nationals require a visa or are exempt from such requirements, please visit the website of the Embassy of Vietnam in the country where your passport was issued.

8. Transportation information

The host is currently considering making plans on airport pick-up and drop-off service. More detailed information regarding transportation will be provided at a later stage.

Participants are kindly required to provide their flight schedules including flight number, date, time of arrival and departure, and accommodation details through the registration process before **Friday, August 15, 2023**.

9. Accommodation

Participants are advised to make their hotel reservation via **Reslink**(<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1752660803459&key=GRP&app=resvlink>) or by **contacting the hotel directly**. When reserving through the hotel, please state that you are attending the TPO's event to receive the special rate for participants.

Official Hotel: Sheraton Grand Saigon Opera Hotel

The official hotel is offering special room rates for participants of the 12th TPO General Assembly **until Friday, August 15, 2023**. After this date, availability at the special rate will not be guaranteed. Due to the limited room availability, participants are advised to make reservations as soon as possible.

Room Charge & Details

Room Type	Nightly rate* (1 guest)	Hotel Details
Guest room, 1 King	VND 3,900,000net (USD 150)	Address: 88 Dong Du, Saigon Ward Contact Details: • Email: sheratonsaigon@sheraton.com • Tel: +84 28 3827 2828 Website: https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/sgnsi-sheraton-saigon-grand-opera-hotel/overview/ Check-in: 15:00 Check-out: 12:00
Guest room, 2 Twin	VND 3,900,000net (USD 150)	
Club lounge access, Guest room, 1 King	VND 6,500,000net (USD 250)	
Club lounge access, Guest room, 2 Twin	VND 6,500,000net (USD 250)	

※ The Nightly rates are based on one guest, inclusive of tax and service charge (Breakfast included). Nightly rates for two guests may differ.

※ Additional breakfast charge for second guest: VND 600,000 net.

※ The rates in USD are subject to change depending on the exchange rate of the payment date.

※ **Cancellation policy: Full charge to be applied for cancellation within 72 hours before check-in.**

Payment Method

Both credit-card and bank-transfer payments are accepted.

Notice regarding accommodation booking

※ The TPO Secretariat will NOT provide accommodation booking service.

※ The TPO Secretariat is NOT responsible for any booking cancellations, modifications, or errors due to guest input, force majeure, or hotel policies.

※ Any cancellation (including early departure or shortened stay) will be subject to the hotel's own cancellation policy.

10. Practical information

Country name: Viet Nam

Capital: Ha Noi

Largest cities: Ho Chi Minh City, Ha Noi, Hai Phong, Can Tho, Da Nang, Hue.

Population: 101.59 million

Local time: GMT +7

Form of government: Socialist Republic

Religion: Predominantly Buddhism, with Christianity, and indigenous beliefs

Official Language: Vietnamese

Head of State: Luong Cuong

Head of Government: Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh

About Ho Chi Minh City

Ho Chi Minh City, formerly known as Saigon, is one of the largest and most populous cities in Viet Nam, serving as the nation's premier economic, financial, and cultural center. As a dynamic metropolis, the city drives Vietnam's integration into the global economy while preserving its rich historical heritage. It is home to many iconic architectural landmarks such as the Saigon Central Post Office, Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica, and the City Hall. Simultaneously, Ho Chi Minh City has evolved into a modern global city, featuring towering skyscrapers, international businesses, and a thriving arts and culinary scene. It has gained international acclaim for its exceptional street food culture, with dishes like pho and banh mi achieving worldwide recognition. In 2021, the city was listed among the top global culinary destinations, reflecting its growing cultural influence.

From the lively Saigon River waterfront to the bustling Ben Thanh Market and multicultural neighborhoods, Ho Chi Minh City offers an immersive blend of tradition and transformation. Its vibrant street life, rich culinary culture, and iconic architecture reflect a metropolis deeply rooted in history while constantly reinventing itself as a dynamic and forward-looking urban destination.

In July 2025, Vietnam restructured its administrative divisions, consolidating 63 provinces and cities into 34. After merging with Binh Duong and Ba Ria–Vung Tau, the new Ho Chi Minh City will have a total natural area of 6,772.59 square kilometers and a population of over 14 million.

The unification of the three localities has created a strong economic triangle combining finance, high-tech manufacturing, logistics, and seaports, reinforcing Ho Chi Minh City's role as an economic and regional hub. At the same time, it enhances the city's tourism potential with coastal attractions, craft villages, and eco-sites, offering a more diverse and enriching travel experience.

Local currency and exchange rate

The official currency of Vietnam is the Vietnamese Dong (VND; Symbol: ₫). As of July 2025, the exchange rate is approximately USD 1 = VND 26,100. Vietnamese banknotes are available in denominations of 1,000; 2,000; 5,000; 10,000; 20,000; 50,000; 100,000; 200,000; and 500,000 dong. Coins are no longer in common circulation.

Exchanging currency

Foreign currency exchange can be done at banks, money changers, or hotels.

Climate

Vietnam has a tropical monsoon climate. In September, Ho Chi Minh City experiences temperatures of 24°C to 32°C with high humidity and occasional rainfall.

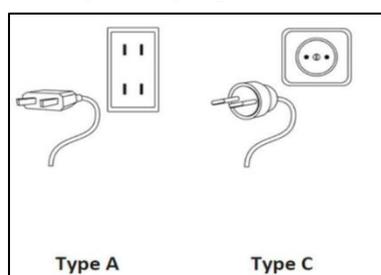
Dress code

Meetings, Luncheons, Dinners: Formal (the Meeting venues are air-conditioned), Traditional
Technical Tour: Casual, Traditional

Electricity

The standard voltage throughout Vietnam is normally 220 V, 50 Hz.

Most power plugs and sockets in Vietnam are Type A and C.



Health requirements and precautions

※ For accurate and updated health information, kindly refer to the **Embassy of Vietnam in your country**.

Insurance

Participants may wish to take out adequate travel insurance and health insurance before leaving their respective countries. The hosts have no insurance coverage for the participants and will not be held responsible for any accident that may occur during the conference.

Telephones

Participants can purchase Vietnamese SIM cards before arrival or at the airport and authorized outlets in Vietnam. A valid passport is required for SIM registration, per local regulations. Prepaid plans with 4G and growing 5G coverage are widely available in Ho Chi Minh City, supporting data and voice needs. Free public Wi-Fi is common in airports, hotels, restaurants, and shopping areas. Participants should use caution when accessing public networks.

(84)	Vietnamese prefix
(28)	Ho Chi Minh City area code

Tips

Tipping is not obligatory, but small gratuities are appreciated for exceptional service. Some restaurants and hotels include a 5–10% service charge.

Credit cards and Automated Teller Machines (ATMs)

Major credit cards such as Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted at hotels, department stores, and large restaurants. However, cash remains the preferred payment method in smaller shops and markets. ATMs supporting international cards are readily available throughout the city for convenient cash withdrawals.

Business hours

Location	Monday-Friday	Saturday	Sunday & Public Holidays
Banks (with tellers)	08:00 – 16:30	Closed	Closed
Offices	08:00 – 17:00	Closed	Closed
Museums	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00
Shopping Malls	09:00 – 22:00	09:00 – 22:00	09:00 – 22:00
Post Offices	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 12:00	Closed

Emergency phone numbers

Police/General Emergencies	113
Fire and Rescue	114
Medical Emergencies	115

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[Appendix]

Viet Nam's visa exemption list

No	COUNTRY	TYPE OF PASSPORT					Duration of stay
		Diplomatic	Official/ Service/ Special	Ordinary (for official purpose)	Ordinary	Seaman	
1	Afghanistan (Islamic State)	x	x				30 days
2	Albania (Republic)	x	x				30 days
3	Algeria (People's Democratic Republic)	x	x				90 days
4	Angola (Republic)	x	x				30 days
5	Argentina (Republic)	x	x				90 days
6	Armenia (Republic)	x	x				90 days
7	Azerbaijan	x	x				01 month
8	Bangladesh (People's Republic)	x	x				90 days
9	Belarus (Republic)	x	x		x	x	30 days for all passport types.
10	Bolivia	x	x				90 days
11	Botswana	x	x				90 days
12	Brazil (Federative Republic)	x	x				90 days
13	Brunei Darussalam	x	x		x		30 days for Diplomatic and
14	Bulgaria (Republic)	x	x				90 days within a 180-day period
15	Cambodia (Kingdom)	x	x		x		30 days
16	Cameroon	x	x				90 days
17	Chile (Republic)	x	x		x		90 days
18	China (People's Republic)	x	x	x			90 days
19	Colombia (Republic)	x	x				90 days
20	Costa Rica (Republic)	x	x				90 days
21	Croatia (Republic)	x	x				30 days
22	Cuba (Republic)	x	x	x		x	30 days
23	Cyprus (Republic)	x	x				90 days
24	Czech (Republic)	x	x**		x**	x**	90 days for Diplomatic Passport
25	Denmark (Kingdom)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types under the unilateral visa exemption policy*
26	Dominicana (Republic)	x	x				90 days
27	Dominica (Commonwealth)	x	x				90 days
27	Ecuador (Republic)	x	x				90 days
28	Egypt	x	x				90 days
29	El Salvador (Republic)	x	x				90 days
30	Estonia (Republic)	x					90 days within a 180-day period
31	Finland (Republic)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types
32	France (Republic)	x	x*		x*	x*	03 months within a 6-month
33	Germany (Federal Republic)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types
34	Greece	x					90 days within a 180-day period
35	Hungary (Republic)	x	x				90 days
36	India (Republic)	x	x				90 days
37	Indonesia (Republic)	x	x		x		14 days for Diplomatic and Official passport/30 days for Ordinary Passport
38	Iran (Islamic Republic)	x					90 days
39	Iraq (Republic)	x	x				90 days
40	Israel	x					90 days
41	Italy (Republic)	x	x*		x*	x*	90 days within a 6-month period
42	Ivory Coast (Republic)	x	x				90 days
43	Japan	x	x		x*	x*	90 days for Diplomatic and Official Passport under the bilateral visa exemption agreement/ 45 days for other passport types under the unilateral visa exemption policy*

44	Kazakhstan (Republic)	x	x		x	x	30 days for all passport types. For Ordinary Passport, the total period of stay must not exceed 90 days within a 180-day period
45	Korea (Democratic People's Republic)	x	x	x			30 days
46	Korea (Republic)	x	x		x*	x*	90 days for Diplomatic and Official Passport under the bilateral visa exemption agreement/ 45 days for other passport types under the unilateral visa exemption policy*
47	Kuwait	x	x				90 days within a 06-month period
48	Kyrgyzstan (Republic)	x	x		x		30 days
49	Laos (People's Democratic Republic)	x	x	x	x		30 days
50	Liberia	x	x				90 days
51	Macedonia	x	x				03 months within a 06-month
52	Malaysia	x	x		x		30 days
53	Malta	x					90 days
54	Mexico (United States)	x	x				90 days
55	Moldova (Republic)	x	x				90 days
56	Mongolia	x	x		x		90 days for Diplomatic and Official Passport/30 days for Ordinary Passport
57	Montenegro	x	x				90 days
58	Morocco (Kingdom)	x	x				90 days
59	Mozambique (Republic)	x	x				90 days
60	Myanmar (Union)	x	x		x		30 days
61	Nepal	x	x				90 days
62	Nicaragua (Republic)	x	x				30 days
63	Nigeria	x	x				90 days
64	Oman	x	x				90 days
65	Norway (Kingdom)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types
66	Pakistan (Islamic Republic)	x	x				90 days
67	Panama (Republic)	x	x		x		90 days
68	Paraguay (Republic)	x	x				90 days
69	Peru (Republic)	x	x				90 days
70	Philippines (Republic)	x	x		x		30 days for Diplomatic and Official Passport/ 21 days for Ordinary Passport
71	Poland (Republic)	x	x**		x**	x**	90 days within a 180-day period
72	Qatar	x	x				90 days
72	Romania	x	x				30 days
73	Russia (Federation)	x	x		x*	x	90 days for Diplomatic and Official Passport under the bilateral visa exemption agreement/30 days for Seaman Passport/45 days for Ordinary Passport under the unilateral visa exemption policy*
74	Serbia	x	x				90 days
75	Seychelles	x	x				90 days
76	Singapore (Republic)	x	x		x		90 days for Diplomatic and
77	Slovak (Republic)	x					90 days
78	Slovenia (Republic)	x	x				3 months within a 06-month
79	South Africa (Republic)	x	x				90 days
80	Spain (Kingdom)	x	x*		x*	x*	90 days within a 180-day period
81	Sri Lanka (Democratic Socialist	x	x				90 days

82	Sudan (Republic)	x	x				90 days within a 180-day period
83	Sweden (Kingdom)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types
84	Switzerland (Confederation)	x	x**		x**	x**	90 days for Diplomatic Passport
85	Tanzania (United Republic)	x	x				90 days
86	Thailand (Kingdom)	x	x		x		30 days
87	Timor Leste (Democratic Republic)	x	x				30 days
88	Tunisia (Republic)	x	x				90 days
89	Turkey (Republic)	x	x				90 days
90	Uganda	x	x				90 days
91	Ukraine	x	x			x	90 days for Diplomatic and
92	United Arab Emirates (UAE)	x	x				90 days
93	United Kingdom (UK)	x*	x*		x*	x*	45 days for all passport types
94	Uruguay (Republic)	x	x				90 days
95	Uzbekistan	x					60 days
96	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic)	x	x				90 days

Note: 1) Foreigners holding British National Oversea (BNO) passports are not exempted from visa requirement, thus must have appropriate visas to enter Viet Nam.

2) In accordance with Decision No 80/2020/QĐ-TTg of the Prime Minister dated May 25, 2020, holders of foreign passports are exempted from visa requirement for entry into, exit from Phu Quoc island, with duration of stay no longer than 30 days. In case holders of foreign passports, before entering Phu Quoc, transit through other international border gate of Viet Nam, they also enjoy such exemption.

* In accordance with Resolution No. 44/NQ-CP of the Government dated 07 March 2025, citizens of 12 countries (Germany, France, Italy, Spain, United Kingdom, Russia, Japan, Korea, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland) enjoy visa exemption with a stay duration of 45 days from the date of entry, regardless of passport type or entry purpose, on the basis of fulfilling the entry conditions as prescribed by the Law on Entry, Exit, Transit and Residence of Foreigners in Viet Nam.

The unilateral visa exemption policy is effective from **15 March 2025** until **14 March 2028**.

** In accordance with Resolution No.11/NQ-CP of the Government dated 15 January 2025, under the Tourism Stimulus Program in 2025, citizens of Poland, Czech and Switzerland enjoy visa exemption with a stay duration of 45 days from the date of entry, regardless of passport type, on the basis of fulfilling the following conditions:

(i) Entry conditions as prescribed by the Law on Entry, Exit, Transit and Residence of Foreigners in Viet Nam;

(ii) A passport that is valid for at least 06 months from the date of entry; and

(iii) Travel on tours organized by Viet Nam's inbound licensed tour operators, with a tour purchase confirmation.

The visa exemption policy under the Tourism Stimulus Program in 2025 is effective from **01 March 2025** until **31 December 2025**.

[Attachment 3]

The 12th Session of the TPO General Assembly & Related Meeting - Session 3 - Case Presentation by TPO Members

The Case Presentation under Session 3 is a program for TPO members to share their successful case studies under the theme: “Integrating Digitalization and Greening: The Future of Sustainable Tourism”, and to exchange information amongst participants. Members wishing to deliver a presentation on the theme are advised to fill in this application form and submit it to the TPO Secretariat.

- Date & Time:** Friday, September 5, 2025, 10:00~11:30
- Venue:** Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Theme:** Integrating Digitalization and Greening: The Future of Sustainable Tourism
- Presentation Language:** English / Vietnamese (*Simultaneous Interpretation Service available*)
- Length of Presentation:** 10 minutes per member
- Materials to Submit:** Application form and presentation materials*
- Submission Deadline:** Friday, August 15, 2025 unless otherwise stated
- How to Submit:** By email (hyeonji.han@aptpo.org)

Presentation Materials to Submit

- Presenter photo (.jpg)
- A one-page summary of the presentation (.docx)
- PowerPoint Slide (.pptx) – Less than 10~15 pages

* Aspect ratio of the slide will be announced at a later stage.

Structure of your presentation

- Overview of your city
- Brief introduction about the presentation content
- Successful cases related to the theme

Example:

- Local strategies to promote sustainable tourism through digital innovation
- Efforts to reduce the environmental footprint in tourism operations or infrastructure
- Public-private partnerships for green mobility, smart services, or eco-friendly destination management

- Application Form -

City Name	
Presenter	Name:
	Position:
Tel	
Fax	
E-mail	

❖ Brief description of the presentation (in English)

[Attachment 4]

The 12th TPO General Assembly & Related Meetings (draft) 2025 TPO Joint Promotion Presentation – HCMC

as of July 23, 2025

□ Outline

- Title: 2025 TPO Joint Promotion Presentation – HCMC
- Program: as seen below
- Date & Time: Thursday, September 4, 13:30 – 15:00 (90 minute)
- Venue: Main stage, Ground Floor, Saigon Exhibition & Convention Center (SECC)
- Participants: Approximately 100 people
 - Presenters: TPO Members (on a first-come, first-served basis)
 - Audience: Local businesses, Global Tourism-related Organizations, Exhibitors, etc.
- Working Language: English
 - *If necessary, consecutive interpretation should be self-provided by participants
- Contents of Presentation
 - Tourism products, trends, and promotion strategies
 - Information on tourism incentive policies
 - Information on accommodation, transportation, and tourist destinations, etc.
- Presentation Time: Maximum 10 minutes per member
- Dress Code: Business or Traditional

□ Program (Tentative)

Thursday, September 4 (Day 2 of the 12th TPO General Assembly)

13:00 Rehearsal

13:30 TPO Joint Promotion Presentation – HCMC

Introduction of TPO

Opening Remarks and Welcoming Remarks (tbc)

Presentations

Group Photo

15:00 End of the TPO Joint Promotion Presentation – HCMC

[Attachment 5]

**The 12th TPO General Assembly & Related Meetings
(Tentative) 2025 TPO Tourism Roadshow**

as of July 23, 2025

□ Outline

- Title: 2025 TPO Tourism Roadshow
- Date & Time: September 4, 14:00 – September 5, 17:00
- Venue: Foyer of the Grand Ballroom, 3rd floor, Sheraton Grand Opera Saigon Hotel
- Participants: TPO member cities, tourism-related organizations, and businesses
(on a first-come, first-served basis)
- Participation Fee: Free of charge
- Main Activities
 - Promotion of key initiatives, tourism destinations, etc.
 - On site business meetings
 - Networking & Partnership building
- Provided Items: One table, chairs, and one staff assigned per participating city
- To Be Prepared by Participants: Promotional materials and banners if needed

□ Program (Tentative)

Date	Time	Program	
Sep. 4		Roadshow	General Assembly
	08:00	Table setup	-
	10:00	Preparation	Session II (SECC)
	12:00	Luncheon	
	13:30	-	Joint Promotion Presentation (SECC)
	14:00	Roadshow	-
	15:00		Leaders' Conference
	17:00		-
	18:00	TPO Night (Gala Dinner)	
Sep. 5	09:00	Preparation	-
	10:00	Roadshow	Session III
	12:00	Luncheon	
	14:00	Roadshow	Plenary Session
	17:00		-
	18:00	Farewell Dinner	