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Research Interests: Determinants and Sources of Economic Growth and Competitiveness; Impact of Information Technology on Economic Growth; Dynamics and Drivers of Asian Economic Integration; and Policy issues concerning these research areas.

Education

- Ph.D., Public Policy, Harvard University, 2005
 - Thesis: Information and Communication Technology and Global Economic Growth: Contribution, Impact, and Policy Implications."
 - Adviser: Dale Jorgenson.
- M.B.A., Harvard Business School, 1995
- B.A. (Highest Honors), Mathematics, Hanoi National University, 1980

Work Experience

- Assistant Professor, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, July 1, 2006. Courses taught: Empirical Analysis for Public Policy; Microeconomics of Competitiveness; Research Methods.
- **Guest Associate Professor**, Faculty of Business and Commerce, Keio University; Tokyo, Japan, June 2006. Taught an intensive course on ICT and economic growth.
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Sawyer Business School, Suffolk University, Boston, MA, USA, September 2004-June 2006. Courses taught: Economic Analysis for Managers; International Financial Management; and Business Finance.
- **Research Associate**, Program on Technology and Economic Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA, USA, September 2004-June 2006.
- Research Associate, Prime Minister's Research Commission, Hanoi, Vietnam, 1998-1999.
- Chief Economic Adviser and to the Governor, Haiphong City, Vietnam, 1996-1998.
- CEO, Song Cam Chemical Company, Haiphong, Vietnam, 1988-1992. Successfully turned around the company of over 400 workers, which was on the verge of bankruptcy.
- **CFO**, Song Cam Chemical Company, Haiphong, Vietnam, 1986-1988.
- Computer Programming Analyst, Computing Center, Vietnam National Power Company, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, 1983-1986.
- Planning Officer, Oil Exploitation Services Corp, Vungtau, Vietnam; 1980-1983.

Publications

2006

"ICT and the Efficiency of Global Economic Growth", *Journal of Economic Growth* (under revision)

"A Global Perspective on the ICT Penetration and Economic Growth in Asia: Issues and Policy Implications", in *Challenges of Economic Policy Reform in Asia*, Center For International Development, Stanford University (forthcoming). Available at http://scid.stanford.edu/events/PanAsia/Papers/papersonly.html.

"Asia Rising: Patterns of Economic Development and Growth" (with Florence Jaumotte, Helene Poirson, and Nicola Spatafora), chapter 3 in *World Economic Outlook: Financial Systems and Economic Cycles*, September 2006, IMF, Washington DC. Available at http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2006/02/pdf/c3.pdf

"E-Government and Business Competitiveness: a Policy Review" (with Richard Jones and Darrell West), *USAID/VNCI Policy Paper* #7, May 2006.

2000-2005

"Information Technology and the World Economy" (with Dale Jorgenson), *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, Vol. 107, Issue 4, December 2005, pp. 631-650;

- reprinted in Manual Castells and Gustavo Cardoso, The Network Society, Washington, Johns Hopkins Center for Transatlantic Relations, 2006, pp. 71-124;
- Portuguese translation in Castells and Cardoso, A Sociedad em Reade, Lisbon, Imprensa Nacional, 2006, pp. 65-114.

"The Competitiveness of Vietnam's Three Largest Cities" (with Jonathan Haughton), IFC/MPDF, *Private Sector Development Discussion Series*, 2004.

"A Comparative Analysis of Growth Performance of Vietnam vs. China", *Vietnam Economic Studies*, July 2002.

"Vietnam: Promoting Economic Growth with the Lever of The Knowledge Economy", *Vietnam Economic Studies*, August 2001.

"An Analysis of Efficiency and Competitiveness of Vietnam's Economy", *Vietnam Economic Studies*, June 2000.

Honors & Awards

- Ministry of Education Award for the Most Distinguished University Graduates, 1980
- Dean's Award for Excellence in Student Teaching, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, 2003.
- Fulbright Scholarship, 1993-1995

Professional Activities

June 2006 Center for International Development, Stanford University;

Pan Asia Conference on "Challenges of Economic Policy Reform in Asia", Paper presented : "A Global Perspective on the ICT Penetration and Economic

Growth in Asia: Issues and Policy Implications".

August Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI), The Cabinet Office of

Japan, Tokyo

Presentation: "ICT and the World Economy".

August National University of Singapore, Economic Review Conference.

2005 Presentation: "ICT penetration and the efficiency of global economic growth".

September The World Bank, eDevelopment Group, Washington DC

2004 Presentation: "Impact of ICT on Global Economic Growth and Policy

Implications".

January The Conference Board, New York

2004 Presentation: "Impact of ICT on Global Economic Growth in the 1990s".

Consulting Projects

April-June IMF: World Economic Outlook-2006 project.

2006

July- USAID: Vietnam Competitiveness Initiative (VNCI) Project.

August Surveyed and wrote report "E-Government and Business Competitiveness: A

2005 Policy Review" (with Darrell West).

January USAID: Vietnam Competitiveness Initiative (VNCI) Project.

Surveyed and wrote an evaluation report for the pilot phase of the project.

June- The World Bank:

August, Surveyed and wrote report "Haiphong-Greater Seattle Development

2003 Partnership: A First Phase Evaluation Report", for the World Bank Institute,

Washington DC, 2003.

June- IFC/MPDF:

August Surveyed and wrote report "Competitiveness of Vietnam's Three Largest

2002 Cities", 2002.

2000-2002 Monitor Consulting Group, Cambridge, MA, USA

Participated in various projects concerning measuring country

competitiveness and mapping industrial clusters

1994-1996 KPMG Peat Marwick, Washington DC, USA

Participated in projects concerning market research and privatization in

Eastern Europe and Vietnam