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Aquilaria and the Agarwood Land in the Social Life and Economic History of Vietnam

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Abstract: *Aquilaria* is a signature genus of trees of the tropical monsoon regions. *Aquilaria* trees themselves are native to some Asian countries, but the type that can be used to make agarwood (*Aquilaria Crassna pierre ex Lecomte*) is mainly found in the provinces of Central Vietnam, from Nghệ An to Quảng Bình, Quảng Trị, Thừa Thiên Huế, Quảng Nam, Quảng Ngãi, Phú Yên, Khánh Hòa... Many often consider Kauthara (Khánh Hòa) “*The Agarwood Land*”. *Aquilaria* trees are viewed as “*The Sacred Tree*”, “*The Tree of Life*”, “*The Cosmic Tree*” and associated with sacred space, and the birth and protection of Pô Nagar Goddess - Thiên Y A Na. Being a rare product of nature, the effects and usages of agarwood have been known since the centuries before and after Christ. For

hundreds of years, agarwood was considered to be among the essential goods in foreign trade and foreign relations of the kingdoms of Champa and Đại Việt with large Asian markets: China, Japan, India, West Asia... By exploring many domestic and foreign documentaries, the paper will focus on clarifying: the distribution of *Aquilaria* trees, the method by which agarwood is created; the method to distinguish between agarwood and calambac; agarwood’s usages in medicine and spiritual practices; the role of agarwood in the cultural and social life of Asian countries, along with its role and importance in the economic and diplomatic relations between these nations.

Keywords: Agarwood; Distribution; Usage; Value; Asian Diplomatic Relations.

Exploiting and Promoting Values of Provincial Literature Temples in the North of Vietnam

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Abstract: Until the end of the 19th century, most provinces in Vietnam had a Literature Temple. Together with Hanoi and Hue Literature Temple, the 26 provincial literature temples have created a system of heritage associated with the worship of

ancient sages, Confucian scholars, talents, and intellectuals of the nation and localities. This system is also associated with the Vietnamese tradition of respecting academic study and talents. This type of heritage is also connected closely to the tradition of

respecting education and talents. Up to now, the number of provincial literature temples still existing in the North is not so large. Some provincial literature temples have been restored and newly built. Although there have been many efforts in diversifying activities to exploit and turn these sites into “living heritage” in the community, the provincial literature temples are still facing many difficulties. The method employed in this study is fieldwork research at some remaining literature temples in the North.

Through the theoretical lens of heritage conservation and development, this article focuses on pointing out the characteristics, nature, and values of provincial literature temples, thereby proposing some suggestions to further improve the exploitation and promote the values of this heritage.

Keywords: Provincial Literature Temple; Confucian Heritage; Heritage Values; Value Exploitation and Promotion; the North of Vietnam.

Imbalances in Vietnam - China Economic Relations the Period from 2010 to 2020

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Abstract: From 2010 to 2020, Vietnam-China economic relations have been developing more strongly compared to the bilateral ties between two nations before 2010. Achievements in trade and investment relations have made an important contribution to promoting the socio-economic development of each country. However, an imbalance in economic relations between the two countries was also revealed during this period. The imbalance in trade between two countries remained high, with Vietnam's trade deficit rapidly increasing due to having a huge amount of

import from China. While China's direct investment in Vietnam has been constantly growing, Vietnam's direct investment in China has remained modest. By analyzing the imbalance in economic relations between the two countries in the period of 2010-2020, the research analyzes and clarifies the main causes of this situation. From this, the research forecasts future trends and suggests a number of proposals to promote Vietnam-China economic relations.

Keywords: Vietnam; China; Investment; Trade.

Impacts of Japan - South Korea Trade Dispute from 2018 to 2021

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Abstract: Japan and the Republic of Korea signed the normalization treaty and related documents on June 22, 1965, in

Tokyo. Since then, the economy has been the most important field showing the stable and peaceful cooperation between the two

countries. If history and politics are the factors that make the two countries' relations often tense, the economy is the bridge to resolve disagreements for Japan - South Korea relationship. However, relations between the two countries deteriorated in 2018 because of historical problems during the period when the Japanese Empire occupied the Korean peninsula (1910-1945) and caused a trade dispute between the two countries. Since then, although each side has taken positive actions to resume relations, it is still very difficult to resolve the problem.

The dispute not only affects Japan and South Korea, but also affects a number of countries and the security environment of the region. Through research methods such as historical method, policy analysis, logic, synthesis, statistics, comparison, the research article clarifies the current situation and causes of Japan's trade dispute with South Korea from 2018 to 2021, and make policy recommendations for Vietnam.

Keywords: Korea and Japan; Korea - Japan Relations; Trade Dispute; Trade War.

John Locke's Conception of Education

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Abstract: Locke (1632-1704) is one of the leading philosophers who represented British philosophy in 17th century as well as a senior philosopher during French Age of Enlightenment occurred in 18th century. Besides his fundamental contributions to epistemology and political philosophy, he also had several works concerning education. The article deeply analyzes J. Locke's conception of the role, goals and methods of educating children. According to Locke, education plays a decisive role in

shaping children's personality and knowledge. The work of education must be started from the time the child is still in the cradle, and the focus of education is on moral education and then on education. Education is an art with the right methods. Education is the means to help each individual achieve a truly happy life, with a healthy body, a clear mind and other external conditions.

Keywords: Locke; English philosophy; Education; Children.

Some Methodological Issues in Building The Indexes on Gender Equality in Vietnam

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Abstract: The set of indexes on gender equality is a system of indexes that measure the results of the implementation of socio-economic development strategies/programs from the gender perspective, through the

collection and analysis of separate information by gender on who participates in and benefits from development activities. This set of indexes is an effective tool in the process of assessing the implementation of

gender equality, and at the same time monitoring the implementation of the targets of the Socio-Economic Development Strategy 2021-2030. In recent years, there have been some statistical data on gender as a basis for assessing the level of implementation of gender equality policies; however, there is no complete set of gender equality indexes. This article presents the concept and method of building the gender equality index, some basic approaches to the

development of the gender equality index, as well as international experience and legal framework on this issue. On that basis, the article introduces an analytical framework as the basis for the development of a set of gender equality indexes in Vietnam with two main index blocks: Gender Equality Outcomes and Gender Equality Promotion.

Keywords: Index; Gender equality; Gender Statistics; Vietnam.

Evaluation of Detoxers of Drug Rehabilitation Support Activities at Aquila Center

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Abstract: In recent years, in Vietnam, due to the increasing number of drug addicts, a number of Protestant religious groups have been opened to help addicts recover from addiction and rebuild their lives. This research is based on the results of a questionnaire survey with all 85 graduate detoxers and current detoxers at the Aquila Center at the time of the survey (including 34 graduates and 51 detoxers who are currently enrolled in the Aquila Center), and in-depth interviews with 6 detoxers and 1 center staff. Based on the collected data, the

article describes the key factors that help detoxers to rehab and recover during the drug treatment from a Protestant point of view at the Aquila Center; as well as analyzes the detoxers' evaluation of addiction support activities and the benefits they receive. Research results have shown the feasibility of Protestant detoxification support at Aquila Center; and at the same time draw out obstacles in drug rehabilitation support activities here.

Keywords: Protestantism; Detoxer; Aquila Center; Drugs; Drug Rehabilitation.

Shin Kyung Sook's *Please Look After Mom* from an Eco-feminism Viewpoint

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Abstract: In the face of global environmental problems, eco-criticism has become a dominant trend in literature in recent years, not only in Europe but also in

Asia. Behind the flashy appearance of a developed country like South Korea, there are people who struggle to live here. Through the eco-feminist work *Please Look*

After Mom, Shin Kyung Sook mentioned the problems of Korean people's life and society in the last decades of the 20th century in a profound and comprehensive way. Her works are like a picture of society in which the transition between rural and urban areas is becoming more and more evident, showing the extent of rapid industrialization in big cities in Korea and

its impact on people's life. This is also a common problem in Asian countries in particular. This essay explores the works of Shin Kyung Sook from the perspective of eco-feminism, thereby seeing how the changes of rural and urban ecosystems have impacted human life.

Keywords: Shin Kyung Sook; Please Look After Mom; Feminism; Eco-feminism.

Tourism in Ly Son District, Quang Ngai Province (2015-2020): Current Situation and Some Issues

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Abstract: Ly Son has a long history, a rich and diverse ecosystem with many scenic spots and valuable historical relics. Over the years, the Party committees and authorities of Quang Ngai province in general and Ly Son island district in particular have issued many policies to exploit effectively the local area's potential and advantages to serve tourism development. As a result, in the period from 2015 to 2020, tourism activities in Ly Son island made progress in many aspects. Specifically, infrastructure and tourism services are getting better and better, the number of tourists coming to visit as well as

tourism revenue is increasing, and this is contributing significantly to the state budget revenue, as well as providing employment and improving people's living standards. This article will focus on and clarify a number of issues as follows: Actual situation of tourism activities (resources, state management, material and technical facilities, products and services, training of human resources, promotion); some problems posed for tourism development (exploiting and promoting potentials and advantages, shortcomings and solutions).

Keywords: Tourism Activities; Ly Son Island; Historical - Cultural Relics.

Buddhist Activities in Gia Lam District (Hanoi) from 2007 to 2021

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Abstract: Buddhism has existed since early times in the land of Thang Long - Hanoi in general and Gia Lam district in particular. Throughout its history, with its

practical activities, Buddhism has contributed significantly to the cause of economic - social - cultural development of Gia Lam district. Nowadays, the activities of

Buddhism in Gia Lam district are increasingly diverse and rich in all fields, with many innovations to meet the people's spiritual needs and make more practical contributions to all areas of people's life. However, in the context of rapid urbanization, many opportunities and challenges will arise in the activities of Buddhism in Gia Lam district. On the basis of exploiting published sources of written

documents combined with investigation, survey and in-depth interviews, this article focuses on clarifying Buddhist activities in Gia Lam district since the establishment of the The Executive Board of the Vietnam Buddhist Sangha in Gia Lam district (2007) to 2021 in two aspects: Buddhist activities and social activities.

Keywords: Buddhism in Gia Lam District; Buddhist Activities.