Teacher Training amd Key Reforms in Education in Vietnam

By: Dr. Ho Thanh My Phuong
Director, SEAMEO RETRAC

Over the past decade, Vietnam has implemented a lot of important reforms in education at all levels from K-12 to higher education. Important reforms in education in Vietnam focus on curriculum and textbooks reforms, student learning assessment and testing, and especially teacher training. According to a report by World Bank in March 2018, Vietnam is one of the countries with remarkable achievements in education. These achievements were also reflected from the results of the international assessment for primary and junior secondary school students (PISA), the international rsearch on student's mathematic and science tendency (TIMSS), the data from Young Lives Initiatives, the findings from analysis on national policy, nation budget for education.

This paper aims at sharing the key reforms in education in Vietnam during the past decade. Among the key reforms are those on curricum and textbook, student learning assessment and teacher training. The paper will describe reforms from the policy level to the school reforms. Finally the paper will also present different challenges facing education reforms and lesson learnt as well as solutions on educational reforms in Vietnam.