

Dr. Ly Thien Trang | Vice President, HUTECH

Expert in Higher Education Quality Assurance & Sustainability

Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology (HUTECH)

Dr. Ly Thien Trang is a senior higher education leader with 27 years of experience in university management, internationalisation, quality assurance, accreditation, rankings, sustainable development, and international projects. Currently serving as Vice President of HUTECH, she oversees Quality Assurance, Internationalisation, International Accreditation, Rankings & Ratings, and Sustainability. She is a certified USAID Instructional and Coaching Expert, DAAD TrainIQA alumnus, and International Expert in Quality Assurance and Accreditation.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Vice President, HUTECH (2023–Present):** Lead QA, Internationalisation, Accreditation, Rankings, Sustainability, and SDGs initiatives.
- **Country / International Expert (2026–Present):** FIBAA (Germany) & NQAAE (Uzbekistan).
- **Vice President, UEF (2022–2023):** Overseeing key university administration and academic quality initiatives.
- **Director / Deputy Director, IEEC, HCMUTE (2001–2021):** Led international education exchange, partnerships, and transnational programs.

SELECTED INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- **QS Higher Education Summit (2024, 2025):** Keynotes in Macau & Korea on future of work, lifelong learning, and shaping ASEAN's tomorrow.
- **DAAD & DIES Forums (2024–2026):** Presentations on Quality Culture, Sustainable Development, and Higher Ed Leadership in Berlin & Thailand.
- **SEAMEO & UNESCO Forums:** Speaker on Digital Transformation, Green Transition, and TVET for Sustainable Rural Development.
- **British Council ThinkTNE Forum (2026):** Keynote speaker on East Asia Education Week and Career Development in AI World.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS & PROJECTS

- **QA & Accreditation:** Led/supported 40+ QA projects with AUN-QA, FIBAA, ACBSP, and national frameworks.
- **Capacity Building:** Delivered 20+ training programs to ~2,000 university leaders, faculty, and staff.
- **International Projects:** Project manager & expert for British Council, USAID COMET, ADB, and MOET TVET reform initiatives.

QUALIFICATIONS & LEADERSHIP

International Qualifications

- UNESCO UNEVOC Leadership (2026)
- DAAD DIES Int. Management (2025-26)
- AUN-QA Tier 1, 2, 3 Assessor (2021-23)
- TrainIQA Potsdam Univ (2022-23)
- USAID Certified Master Trainer

EDUCATION & DEGREES

- Ph.D. in Contrastive Linguistics (2020), USSH Vietnam
- MBA (2014), Open University Malaysia (GPA 3.67)
- Master in TESOL (2009), USSH Vietnam
- BA in English Language (2004)
- BA in German Economics (1998)

EMCEE / MODERATOR INTRODUCTION SCRIPT (1-MINUTE)

"It is our distinct privilege to introduce Keynote Speaker, Dr. Ly Thien Trang, Vice President of Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology (HUTECH). With 27 years of distinguished leadership in higher education, Dr. Trang is an internationally recognized expert in Quality Assurance, Accreditation, Rankings, and Sustainable Development. A USAID Certified Master Trainer and FIBAA International Expert, she has addressed prestigious global forums including QS, DAAD, ADB, and UNESCO. Please join us in warmly welcoming Dr. Ly Thien Trang."