Distinguished guests, ladies and gentleman,

Warm welcome to visit the Ho Chi Minh University of Technology. I am honored to be with you for this Forum on Energy Interconnection in Asia Pacific.

For those who may not familiar with our university, I wish to give you brief introduction first.

Our university is a state-owned and comprehensive university in Vietnam, established in 1957. With more than 60 years of excellence in teaching, innovation and research, the university has been recognized as the leading center of the academy, scientific research, and technology transferring in Vietnam.

We aim to become an innovative, pioneering, and internationally integrated university. Our mission, is to educate the intellectual human resources with leadership competence; to create new knowledge through scientific research and technological transfer; to assume and perform social responsibilities and community services.

The university has constructed several National Key Laboratories, Centers for research and transfer. It placed its main priority over personnel development to achieve the sufficient number of professional teaching staff with enthusiastic and dedicated professors, getting ready for the most remarkable and fast progress of a research based university. In addition, we also have one of the largest national libraries, providing access to thousand kinds of books and online resources from well-known publishers and authors.

As known for its reputation, high training quality of HCMUT has been affirmed through accreditation and evaluation activities recognized by reliable higher education accreditation organizations in the region and all over the world.

Today's topic is energy interconnection. I appreciate the efforts made by GEIDCO to advance clean energy development and power grid interconnection, and to foster an international cooperation platform for joint discussion, co-development, and knowledge-sharing.

I believe that the research report to be released today could facilitate the energy and power interconnection, representing a systemic solution and a roadmap of action addressing regional sustainable development and energy transition.

Energy interconnection is a critical topic, not only crucial for the Asia Pacific Region, but also to the world. As one of the top leading university in engineering in Vietnam, our university will keep training talent engineers to deal with it, and to facilitate the development of energy transition and interconnection.

In the last but not the least, I wish you a successful, productive forum.

Thank you!