

# press release

## **Standard Chartered's CEO of Corporate and Institutional Banking visits Vietnam, a high potential market for the business**

**7 July 2017, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam** - Simon Cooper, CEO of Corporate and Institutional Banking (CIB) at Standard Chartered Bank, was on his first official visit to Vietnam on 5 – 6 July.

During his trip, Simon hosted a meeting with Vietnam-based CIB clients to discuss the domestic and global business climate and how Standard Chartered can support their growth ambitions. He also met with Standard Chartered Vietnam's senior management team to map out plans to support clients across the country.

Simon Cooper said: "Vietnam has strong potential given the country's evolving business and investment environment and its attractiveness to foreign investors. We are strengthening our capabilities and resources here, and I'm very confident that our extensive international network, in-depth knowledge of the market and advanced advisory and product capabilities make us a strong partner for our clients as they seek to meet their growth ambitions."

Standard Chartered is a leading international banking group, with a 150-year history in some of the world's most dynamic markets. The Bank has been present in Vietnam for more than 110 years, having opened its first Vietnam branch in Saigon (now Ho Chi Minh City) in 1904, and is one of the oldest international banks in the country. Its locally incorporated entity, Standard Chartered Bank (Vietnam) Limited, was set up in 2009 and provides a full suite of banking products and services for corporates, financial institutions as well as small and medium-sized enterprises and individuals.

Standard Chartered has been the sole Sovereign Credit Ratings Advisor to the Government of Vietnam since 2012. In this capacity, the Bank has been a trusted partner of Vietnam through a period of macroeconomic instability. Standard Chartered was named the 'Best Foreign Bank in Vietnam' by the Global Banking & Finance Review in 2014 & 2015, and by Global Business Outlook in 2016.

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## Notes to Editors

### Standard Chartered Bank (Vietnam) Limited

In Vietnam, Standard Chartered's history can be traced back to 1904 when the Bank opened its first branch in Saigon (now is Ho Chi Minh City). We believe in the long term prospect of Vietnam and are fully committed to the Vietnamese market and our clients and customers since coming back to the country in 1990.

On August 1, 2009, we commenced operations in our locally incorporated entity – Standard Chartered Bank (Vietnam) Limited, an important milestone of Standard Chartered's development in Vietnam. The bank currently has three branches (two in Hanoi and one in HCMC), its Head Office is based in Hanoi.

We bring our international expertise and experience in Asia, Africa and the Middle East to Vietnam, building a broad business that helps to develop the Vietnamese financial service sector as well as helping clients to develop their businesses. Standard Chartered has acted as the sole Sovereign Credit Ratings Advisor to the Vietnamese Government since March 2012.

The Bank provides a full suite of banking products and services for corporates, financial institutions as well as small and medium enterprises and individuals. We also play an active role in building the communities through many programs that promote social and economic development focusing on health, youth and financial education.

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