## WORKSHOPS AND TRADE EVENTS

## VIETNAM EXPO 2022 EXPECTS 350 EXHIBITORS



The 31st Vietnam International Trade Fair (VIETNAM EXPO) will take place from April 13-16 in Hanoi, expecting to draw nearly 350 businesses. According to the Vinexad, the organiser of the event, the exhibition will cover 3,200 sq.m, with areas for national brands and export products; equipment and support industries; digital technology, e-commerce; food and beverage. The event drew 21,500 visitors in 2019 and 10,250 in 2021.

A representative from the Vinexad said the organising board has received registration from foreign businesses from many countries, including the Republic of Korea, Belarus, Russia, Japan, the US, Cuba, Malaysia, Nepal, Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar.

This year, the Republic of Korea will be the honorary guest and Belarus will be a special guest of the exhibition./.

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## VIETNAM, CHINESE PROVINCE EYE TO BUILD SAFE EXPORT PROCESS AT BORDER GATES

Representatives of the Ministry of Industry and Trade has coordinated with authorities of China's Yunnan province in holding a teleconference on customs clearance of goods and pandemic prevention and control cooperation at border gates between the two sides. During the event, they agreed to study a safe export process, and coordinate in building "green (safe) zones" at the border gates. Efforts will be made to facilitate customs clearance by increasing personnel at the border gate area, raising the capacity of border infrastructure, investing in the construction of quarantine zones to increase the number of border gates designated to the import of agricultural products, and speed up pre-arranged customs clearance.

A mechanism for information exchange between border localities of Vietnam and Yunnan province will be created. The ministry proposed permitting a third party to conduct COVID-19 tests using the RT-PCR method for Vietnam's vehicles and exports. It also asked the Chinese side to resume and extend the customs clearance time at several suspended border gates, and speed up the signing of a memorandum of understanding on cooperation between it and Yunnan authorities to create a framework for comprehensive collaboration in bilateral trade and economics. The Yunnan side stress the need for both sides to maintain efforts to ensure pandemic prevention and control for the safety of both peoples./.

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