

Catalyzing Impact, One Investment at a Time

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FROM LEADERSHIP

Message from the Executive Committee

Dear VIIN Community,

Thank you everyone who attended the VIIN Meetup on 7 May 2026.

We hope you enjoy the Knowledge Sharing Session on "How to use Claude in modelling and DD?" Please share your feedback here: <https://forms.gle/hosFs9nVeL32UnhA6>

As we're in the final stage of preparing the application for the GSG Impact National Partner, GSG Taskforce (to which VIIN is a member) will host a Validation Workshop to gather the ecosystem's inputs for this strategy. Please tentatively mark your calendar for 25 May 2026 afternoon.

Meanwhile, if you'd like to contribute to the setup of this National Partner in any of the 3 pillars: Policy Engagement (Yen Do), Standard Settings (Jason Lusk), Ecosystem Building (Yen Do). Please reach out to the corresponding PIC name in the parentheses.

Thank you.

AT A GLANCE

Issue Highlights

VC FUND

Ho Chi Minh City launched a public-private fund, targeting \$190M to scale startups, though execution will depend on sustained private capital mobilization.

MEMBERS MEETING

On Thursday, 7th May, the VIIN bi-monthly member meeting began with a knowledge-sharing segment on applying Claude in modeling and due diligence.

INCLUSIVE CAPITAL

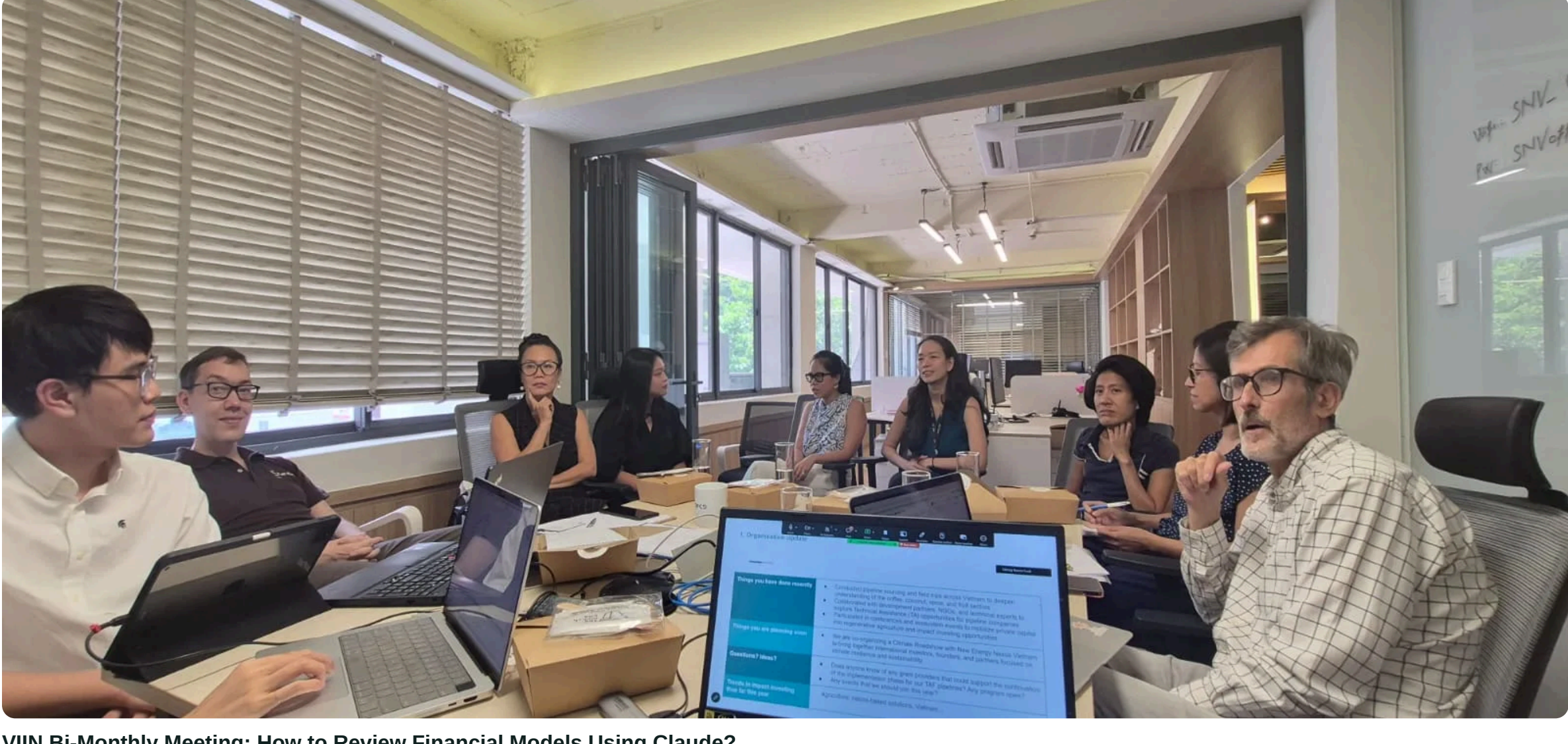
A \$24B financing gap persists in Vietnam, with women-led SMEs underfunded due to structural barriers in lending practices and investment readiness.

ENERGY TRANSITION

Southeast Asia's energy demand will drive 25% of global growth by 2035, but fossil dependence and infrastructure gaps slow clean transition progress.

BI-MONTHLY MEETING

VIIN Members Meeting



VIIN Bi-Monthly Meeting: How to Review Financial Models Using Claude?

On Thursday, 7th May, the VIIN bi-monthly member meeting took place. Our session started with a knowledge-sharing segment on applying Claude in modeling and due diligence, followed by a discussion to gather members' feedback and ideas for the GSG Impact National Strategy and broader impact ecosystem building. The meeting concluded with members sharing updates on their ongoing activities and progress. We were pleased to see you again and look forward to our next session.

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News & Insights

MARKET

Ho Chi Minh City Launches \$190M VC Fund

The city debuted a VND500B (~\$19M) fund targeting VND5T (~\$190M) by 2035 with ≥60% private capital from firms like Vingroup and VinaCapital to back 50–150 tech and green startups.

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MARKET

Southeast Asia Energy Transition 2025 Progress Report

The Southeast Asia Energy Transition Partnership 2025 Annual Report highlights ~\$70M mobilized, Southeast Asia's 25% share of global energy demand growth by 2035, and key wins like Vietnam's offshore wind standards and 16 GW potential in the Philippines.

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MARKET

Farmnet Secures \$11.75M to Scale Agri Supply Chains

Farmnet Company Limited, backed by TechCoop, raised a \$11.75M loan from Symbiotics to expand working capital for agri-SMEs, supporting a network of 641+ partners across 28 provinces in a sector contributing 11.86% of Vietnam's GDP.

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PUBLICATION

Beacon Fund 2025 Impact Report Released

The Beacon Fund Impact Report 2025 highlights five years of private debt investing in Vietnam, focusing on financing the "missing middle" SMEs, strengthening ESG integration, and improving impact measurement transparency in a market with limited access to non-dilutive capital.

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PUBLICATION

New Energy Nexus Reports Global Clean Energy Impact

New Energy Nexus reports supporting 1,793 startups, mobilizing \$5.44B, and distributing \$107M while engaging 11,580 entrepreneurs and creating 8,600+ green jobs, with 68% of ventures from the Global South.

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PUBLICATION

Emerging Markets Drive Higher Climate Bond Impact

Analysis by BlueOrchard Finance Ltd of ~4,700 bonds shows emerging markets deliver higher impact intensity (0.51 MW vs. 0.30 MW per €1M), with climate adaptation needs projected to require up to \$1.2T annually by 2050 (McKinsey Global Institute).

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PUBLICATION

Vietnam Impact Investment 2025 Market Report

The Vietnam Impact Investment Report 2025 by Impact Investment Exchange highlights rising investor interest but persistent gaps in SME investment readiness (governance, transparency, impact measurement), constraining capital flows in Vietnam's evolving ecosystem.

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POLICY

Vietnam Policy Paper on Inclusive Capital Solutions

The Catalyzing Inclusive Capital in Viet Nam by Impact Investment Exchange highlights a \$24B financing gap, with women owning 21% of MSMEs but receiving <5% of bank credit, and proposes a five-tier reform framework including blended finance and gender-focused instruments.

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ECOSYSTEM

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Sector Events Calendar

- 26-27 MAY

Vietnam ESG Investor Conference 2026
 Use code William30 for 30% off | HCMC | ESG-driven investment
- 20 MAY

Market Access & Capital Raising for Vietnamese Exporters
 Online | Free | Business Associations
- 20-22 MAY

Innovate4Climate (I4C) 2026
 Singapore | World Bank | Policymakers and investors

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FOR THE NETWORK

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Jobs & Opportunities

- PROPOSAL

UNIDO Accelerate-to-Demonstrate (A2D) Programme
 Smart energy systems | \$20 million | UNIDO
Deadline: 16:00 (CET), June 18, 2026
- OPPORTUNITY

ARISE Investment Program (CIF)
 \$30–40M per country | Climate Resilience | Private sector mobilization
Deadline: June 8, 2026 (midnight EDT)
- JOB

Business Origination Advisor & Component Lead – SNV Vietnam
 HCMC | 25% travel | ESG safeguards | Investable agri-NbSA businesses
Deadline: 17:00 (GMT +7), May 22, 2026
- JOB

E&S Senior Manager / Director – Mekong Capital
 HCMC/Hanoi | ESMS/IESAP implementation | IFC Performance Standards
- JOB

Deal Support – Investment Role - Mekong Capital
 HCMC/Hanoi | Financial modelling | FP&A
- MENTORSHIP

Climate Tech Catalyst – Vietnam & Beyond
 KOICA-funded | Vietnam Ministry of Finance | Climate-tech startups/SMEs
Deadline: 23:59 (GMT+7), May 31, 2026

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COMMUNITY

Member Spotlight



NEW MEMBER

Thu Ha
Rabo Foundation

Thu Ha is the Impact Finance Consultant for Rabo Foundation, based in Hanoi, Vietnam. Thu Ha has more than 30 years of experience in auditing, impact business coaching and development finance for green and inclusive growth in Vietnam and South East Asia.



NEW MEMBER

Ngan Ho
Impact Hub Saigon

Ngan Ho is an ecosystem builder with 9 years of experience across the Asia-Pacific region, leading innovation and accelerator programs that have supported more than 100 startups in sustainability, circular economy, and green technology.

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