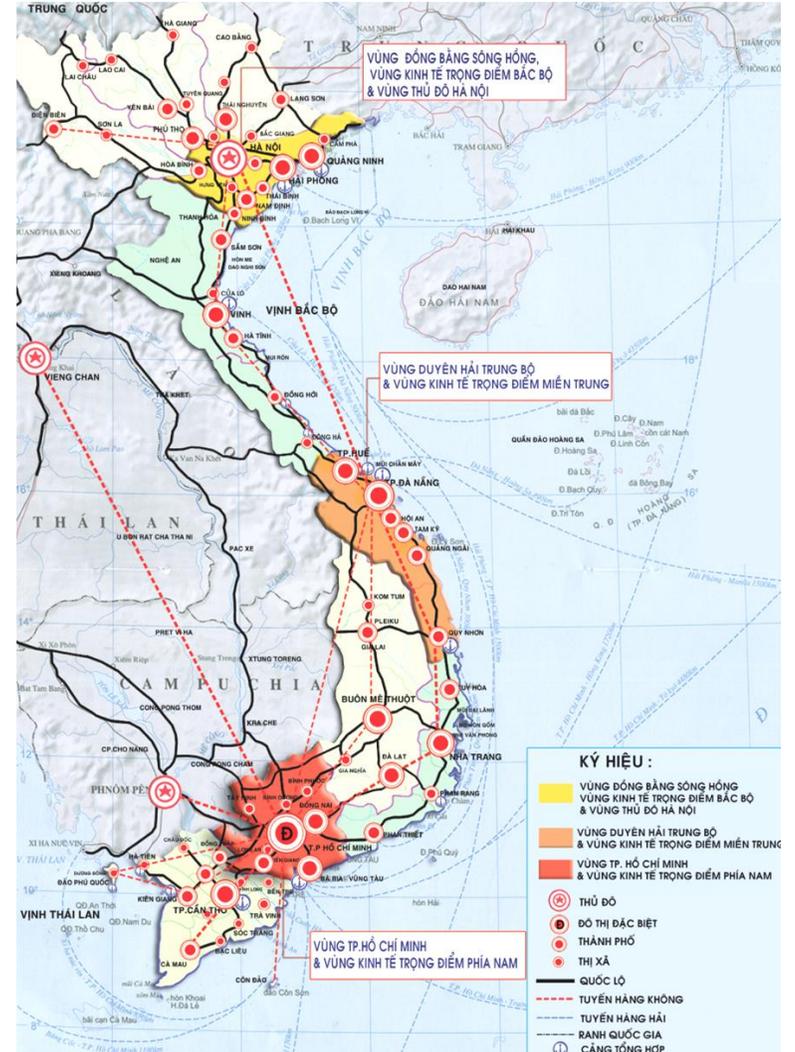




# Country Information

- With a population of **98 million** people living in 64 provinces and 5 cities with a total area of 329,314 km<sup>2</sup>, Vietnam is one of the most densely populated countries in the world.
- During recent decades, cities in Vietnam became the engines of economic development, and **rapid urbanisation** has been the consequence.
- Vietnam has developed two independent and dominant core-periphery **urban systems**: Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) and Hanoi, with DaNang and CanTho urban following.
- **Climate change** is expected to significantly affect the country's urbanisation process.
- Through the IUC Project and to support the **Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM) in Asia**, the EU worked with three Vietnamese cities in developing **Climate Action Plans**: Can Tho, Da Nang, Tam Ky.



# Vietnam Smart City Programme

- Smart cities are currently under **construction** in cities across the country, including Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC), Danang, Binh Duong, and Nha Trang.
- The **ASEAN Smart Cities Network** includes Hanoi, HCMC and Danang
- The Vietnamese Government has facilitated **Hanoi** developing into a **green** and **friendly** capital with smart urban areas and management based on new technologies and smart infrastructure.
- **Ho Chi Minh City** is achieving international partnerships to develop smart city projects in several areas, including smart city design, innovation and start-up promotion.
- **CanTho** is integrating smart city approaches in urban management in areas including e-governance, mobility and energy. In April 2021, the ADB has proposed that CanTho authorities develop a smart and energy efficient city project (SEECP) worth \$67.29 million.

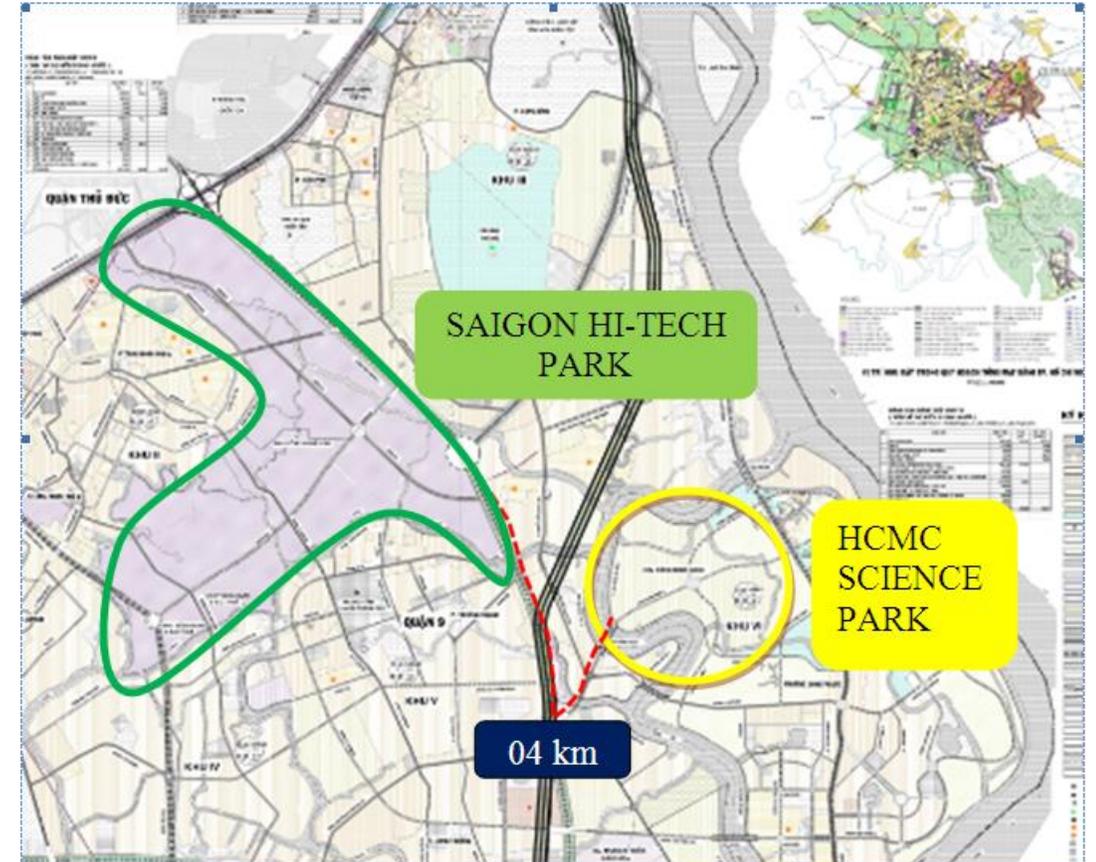
# Green City Example - Hanoi

- Hanoi has ambitious plans to increase green urban areas.
- By 2025, Hanoi plans to have 60 parks, including **18 new parks** and 42 upgraded or renovated parks and gardens.
- The city also hosts over 100 internationally certified **green building** projects.
- To achieve **green mobility**, Hanoi is planning to build up a smart traffic management system including a bus app and to **cut pollution** and improve **air quality** through the incorporation of electric buses.
- Hanoi cooperated with EU cities within the **EU World Cities Project** (2017-2018)



# Smart City Example – HCMC

- HCMC is the country's growth driver.
- Located in HCMC, Saigon Hi-Tech Park was established in 2002 as one of the only three national hi-tech parks in Vietnam.
- It hosts the country's largest software company FPT.
- It is currently developing the 197,2 hc.-sized Science Park for new technologies and key-advanced manufacturing industries.
- It links R&D activities with universities and businesses, to promote endogenous capacity in science and technology.
- HCMC cooperated with EU cities within the [EU World Cities Project \(2017-2018\)](#)



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