

Report on Copyright Seminar on Online Piracy

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On 30 July 2026, the Agency for Cultural Affairs of Japan held the Copyright Seminar on Measures to Combat Online Piracy at La Thanh Hotel in Hanoi, Viet Nam. The seminar attracted a large number of participants, including practitioners from Japan and Viet Nam, members of the Vietnamese media, and government officials. The seminar featured presentations on measures to combat online copyright infringement and initiatives to protect copyright and related rights in Japan and Viet Nam, as well as recent developments in both the public and private sectors.

At the start of the seminar, Mr. Hoang, Director General of the Copyright Office of Viet Nam, spoke about the importance of copyright protection in the face of the rapid developments of the digital environment, introducing recent developments in Viet Nam's copyright framework. Next, Mr. Kawakami, Director General of the Agency for Cultural Affairs of Japan, noted the need for international cooperation to address issues such as copyright infringement in an era when content is used across borders and expressed his hope that the seminar would further strengthen cooperation between Japan and Viet Nam through knowledge sharing and mutual understanding.

The seminar featured presentations by six speakers. First, Ms. Oanh, Deputy Director General of the Copyright Office of Vietnam, delivered a presentation entitled "Legal Framework for Copyright Enforcement in the Digital Environment" introducing Viet Nam's efforts to combat online piracy. Next, Mr. Kobayashi, Director of the Office for International Copyright, Agency for Cultural Affairs, Japan, gave a presentation on "Japan's Efforts to Combat Copyright Infringement," introducing the Agency's initiatives in this area.

Other presentations were delivered by Mr. Iwashita of the Recording Industry Association of Japan (RIAJ), Mr. Ito of General Incorporated Association ABJ, Ms. Lien of Kim Dong Publishing House, and Mr. Kudo of the CODA Vietnam Center (CastGlobal), who shared their insights and experiences from their respective industries.

The seminar concluded successfully, highlighting the importance of continued cooperation between relevant organizations in Japan and Viet Nam in addressing challenges in the field of copyright.

The Agency for Cultural Affairs will continue to undertake initiatives to help combat online piracy.



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