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Art forum to focus on photos, cities

HA NOI — The Asia and Europe Young Photographers Forum 2004 is a chance for photographers from both continents to share their experiences, said a deputy Minister of Culture and Information.

The forum opened on Sunday in Ha Noi in co-ordination with the Ministry of Culture and Information, Viet Nam Review, the Asia-Europe Fund (ASEF) and the World Press Photograph Association (WPPH).

The forum is held in conjunction with the fifth Asia Europe Meeting (ASEM-5) and co-chaired by Tran Chien Thang, deputy minister of Culture and Information; Le Quoc Trung, general director of the Vietnam News Agency; as well as Marie Le Sour and Evelien Kunst, representatives from ASEF and WPPH, respectively.

About 20 young, photographers from ASEM member countries attended the forum's opening.

The forum is entitled Do Thi Hoa (Urbanisation) in Ha Noi.

At the opening ceremony, Thang said he hoped the photos will introduce the Vietnamese people to the world.

The forum's best pictures will be displayed in Ha Noi during the ASEM-5 summit in October. — VNS

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