

British Council supports IT training for visually impaired children

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British Council Vietnam Country Director Chris Brown (right) presents laptops to visually impaired children at the ACCV

Nhan Dan Online – British Council Vietnam presented laptops to the Australian Charity for the Children of Vietnam (ACCV) on September 25 to support computer skills training for visually impaired children in Hanoi.

The laptops are programmed with Non Visual Desktop Access, a software specially designed for IT training for the sight-impaired, which is expected to help increase students' employment and education opportunities.

“Accessing and using computers bring a lot of good things to visually impaired students, benefitting them in various manners. For example, they can communicate with friends, enjoy music, books and many other interesting things, and pursuing free online study courses to enrich their knowledge”, said ACCV Chairwoman Alison Vidotto.

Chris Brown, Country Director of British Council Vietnam, expressed his pleasure to collaborate with the ACCV to provide computer skills training for the sight-impaired, which he said would light up their further education opportunities and employment prospects in future.

The initiative has become an important part of British Council's commitment to promoting its 'diversity and equal opportunity' policy in 2013, as the foundation celebrates 20 years of operation in Vietnam, he said.