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This photo book aims to illustrate the recent urban development of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam's biggest and most globalised urban agglomeration. Recently, Ho Chi Minh City has emerged as first mega city of Vietnam with a population exceeding more than 10 million in the greater metropolitan region. Through this photo book the editors would like to document the various aspects of this bustling metropolis from a holistic perspective. Thereby the editors explicitly avoid aestheticizing, but instead highlight the diversity of the urban landscape, the diversity of housing and last but not least, the diversity of the people. It is precisely this immense range of contrasts found within the mega city and its constantly shifting dynamics that make it a fascinating object of observation and documentation. The hard cover photo book has a format of 30 x 30 cm and is published in three languagues: Vietnamese. English and German.

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