

Seminar on Infrastructure Connectivity and Cooperation under the Global Development Initiative

Project Profile

Name	Seminar on Infrastructure Connectivity and Cooperation under the Global Development Initiative		
Organizer	Academy for International Business Officials (AIBO), Ministry of Commerce, P. R. China		
Time	November 13 th to November 26 th , 2023 (14 days)	Language	English
Invited Participants	Officials from relevant departments of developing countries (for officials at the Director level and the Director-General level)		
Number of Participants	21 persons in total		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 50 for officials at the Director-General level; under 45 for officials at the Director level.	
	Health	Participants should be in good health, and provide a health certificate or medical examination form issued by a local public hospital. Participants should be free of diseases prohibited by Chinese laws and regulations from entering China, and free of other serious chronic diseases (such as severe hypertension, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases, and diabetes), mental diseases or infectious diseases that may pose a significant public health risk. Participants shall not in the period of recovering from major surgery or acute illness, not be severely physically disabled, and not during a pregnancy period.	
	Language	Participants should be capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English that can meet the requirements of the class.	
	Others	Family members or friends shall not follow.	
Host City	Beijing	Local Temperature	Averagely 0°C~ 10°C in November in Beijing
Cities to Visit	Pending	Local Temperature	
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About the Organizer	<p>The Academy for International Business Officials (AIBO) is an educational and training institution directly under the Ministry of Commerce of the People’s Republic of China. Established in 1980, AIBO is located in Changping District, Beijing, about 30 kilometers from Beijing Capital International Airport. It boasts comprehensive infrastructure to provide services such as accommodation, catering, training and meetings for trainees.</p> <p>One of the main responsibilities of AIBO is to implement human resources development and cooperation projects, especially training courses for officials. The Academy serves as the main base for China's foreign aid training, offering both off-line and on-line training in China and overseas.</p> <p>Backed by the Ministry of Commerce and in close cooperation with China’s top think tanks, research institutes and universities, AIBO brings together a large number of China’s top experts and scholars to provide intellectual support for foreign aid training. It has developed a number of high-quality foreign aid training projects in the fields of trade and investment, international economic cooperation, governance and public management, which have proved to be fruitful.</p> <p>Since 1998, AIBO has successfully held over 2,000 training sessions for officials from developing countries (including 124 ministerial seminars), benefiting nearly 59,000 participants from other developing countries around the world.</p> <p>AIBO will adhere to the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and take the important concepts, including a community with a shared future for mankind, pursuing the greater good and shared interests, and sincerity, real results, amity, good faith, mutual benefit and inclusiveness, as strategic guidance and fundamental principles to be followed. It will facilitate the joint efforts in implementing major initiatives such as the “the Belt and Road” Initiative and the Global Development Initiative, and continue to help developing countries accelerate their development by sharing China's experience and programs.</p>	
About the Project	<p>Background: As an important pillar for economic and social development, infrastructure is marked by its strategic, fundamental and pioneering significance. Infrastructure connectivity, therefore, could facilitate the development of trade and technology, optimize the regional economic structure, expand the economic scale and market, and thus improve people’s living standards. Since the launch of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) 10 years ago, China, taking advantages of its own experience in development and technology strengths, has helped the developing countries along the Belt and Road implement a great many of infrastructure projects and thus promote their connectivity and integration into the global value chains, so that they can truly enjoy the benefits delivered by a robust global economy. Under the BRI framework, China will continue to improve and upgrade the infrastructure connectivity system and support the</p>	

	<p>infrastructure connectivity construction among developing countries so as to help them achieve high-quality development in a consistent, equitable, and sustainable manner.</p> <p>Purpose: The seminar aims share China’s experience in infrastructure connectivity practices so that other developing countries can have a better understanding of China’s achievements in infrastructure construction since China launched the reform and opening up policy. In this way, the seminar would lay a good groundwork for China and other developing countries to carry out pragmatic cooperation in infrastructure construction, and thus further promoting the transportation infrastructure connectivity and deepening the friendly relations between China and other developing countries..</p> <p>Content: The seminar will give lectures mainly on topics such as overview of China’s national conditions, China’s experience in reform, opening up and economic development, the Global Development Initiative (GDI), the development of China’s high-speed railways and the economics of high-speed railways, the development of China’s urban transportation infrastructure: numbers and cases, introduction to the IT-based construction of China’s railways, smart city and smart transportation, the development and current status of big data industry, infrastructure construction cooperation in China, etc.</p> <p>Method: The seminar will invite Chinese experts in the field of infrastructure construction to give themed lectures; organize discussions and exchanges between participants and experts, and among participants; organize study tours to relevant enterprises in Beijing and other cities to allow participants to experience the process of China’s local economic development, witness China’s achievements in infrastructure connectivity construction, and feel the local customs across China.</p> <p>(The above is based on the preliminary schedule, and may be adjusted according to the actual situation. The final version will be provided upon arrival in China.)</p>
Notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please prepare your passport, Chinese visa and third-party transit country visa (if necessary) before coming to China. 2. If participants cannot depart on time due to special circumstances, or if there is a flight delay during the transfer, please contact the Economic and Trade Office or the organizer in time, inform the latest flight No. and time of arrival in Beijing so that we can arrange pick-up for you. 3. In principle, it is not allowed for individuals to change their tickets to China. If you really need to do so, please contact the Office and follow the procedures to change your ticket. Participants who change their tickets without consent will be notified to the Chinese embassy and the costs and responsibilities therefore incurred shall be borne by yourself. 4. After picking up the luggage, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit (or domestic arrival exit) and the organizer will pick you up with a pick-up board with your name on it. If waiting for more than 15 minutes, you can communicate with the organizer by phone.

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