

Seminar on Trade Facilitation for the “Belt and Road Initiative” Countries

Name	Seminar on Trade Facilitation for the “Belt and Road Initiative” Countries		
Organizer	Shanghai Customs College		
Time	2023-11-08 -- 2023-11-21	Language for Learning	English
Invited Countries	“Belt and Road Initiative” Countries		
Number of Participants	14		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 50 for participants at director general’s level; under 45 for participants at or under director’s level.	
	Health	In good health with health certificate issued by the local public hospitals; without diseases with which entry to China is disallowed by China’s laws and regulations; without severe chronic diseases such as serious high blood pressure, cardiovascular/cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; without metal diseases or epidemic diseases that are likely to cause serious threat to public health; not in the process of recovering after a major operation or in the process of acute diseases; not seriously disabled or pregnant.	
	Language	Capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English	
	others	Spouse and family are not allowed to follow the participant to China for training	
Host City	Shanghai City	Local Temperature	Autumn: 19°C-26°C
Cities to visit	Shanghai City, Changzhou City, Suzhou City	Local Temperature	good, good, good
Notes	<p>1. Please prepare study materials related to the customs affairs for exchanges and discussion; 2. Please bring formal dresses or folk costumes or customs uniform for formal occasions, and prepare lightweight shoes and sportswear for physical events and use of campus exercise facilities; 3. Please prepare medium amount of commonly used medicine to protect against malaria and cold; 4. Please bring personal computer if necessary as computer is not available in some hotels; 5. Tickets arriving for and departing from China are not allowed to be changed without consent. If necessary, please contact the Economic and Commercial’s Office for the procedure. If any participant cannot make departure on time due to special circumstances or flight transfer delays, please contact the Economic and Commercial’s Office or the project supervisor to update the latest flight status for arrangement of pickup service; 6. Please confirm whether luggage needs to be rechecked during transfer. Please wait at the international/domestic arrivals after picking up your luggage as our staff will be holding a welcome board with the title of Shanghai Customs College and the names of participants on it. You may contact the project liaison person by phone if you are kept waiting for over 15 minutes.</p>		
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About the Organizer	<p>As one of the WCO Asia-Pacific training centers, Shanghai Customs College has always attached great importance to international exchanges and cooperation such as training to foreigners. By the end of 2021, our school has undertaken a total of 270 foreign-related training programs, accumulatively training nearly 7,000 middle and senior customs officials at home and abroad, with participants from nearly 100 countries and regions. Under the overall planning of the “Belt and Road” strategy, Shanghai Customs College is striving to become a world-class training base for customs capacity building in countries along the “Belt and Road”. The program of training to foreigners of Ministry of Commerce is an important part of the foreign-related training program of Shanghai Customs College. Under the guidance of the Training Center of Ministry of Commerce, and with the full support of the General Administration of China Customs, the college has undertaken training programs to foreigners of Ministry of Commerce since 2001. As of 2021, a total of 59 training programs (including 6 online programs, 49 short-term training programs in China and 4 overseas training programs) have been held, and nearly 2,000 middle and senior customs officials have been trained. All the training courses were successfully completed, and the participants rated the curriculum, teaching organization and logistics support as good or better. Among them, a number of projects, such as Seminar on Uzbekistan Customs Clearance Facilitation, Seminar on Model E-Port and Trade Facilitation Capacity Building, and Seminar on Customs Management for Developing Countries have been highly appraised by foreign parties. The leaders of relevant countries and customs expressed their gratitude to our school through letters and follow-up visits, and expressed their intention to continue to send officials with potential to our school in the future.</p>	

<p>Seminar Content</p>	<p>This 21-day seminar is hosted in Shanghai, China. It includes symposiums, visits & inspections and discussions to introduce latest theories and practices on trade facilitation and policies and best practices of the China Customs in this field in a comprehensive manner. The lecturers of this seminar are invited from Shanghai Customs College, General Administration of Customs and other authoritative agencies and organizations.</p> <p>This seminar will focus on latest theories and practices on trade facilitation and share the best practices of the China Customs in this field with core curriculum including customs risk management, Construction of FTZ and customs supervision and control in China, China e-customs construction and etc.</p> <p>Participants will be organized to make visits & inspections in Shanghai, and Changzhou of Jiangsu Province, including on-site customs operations at Pujiang Customs of Shanghai, and NUCTH production base (a non-intrusive inspection equipment manufacturer). Cultural experience events include visiting the Shanghai Tower, Yu Garden and Chinese Martial Art Museum while also experiencing the Chinese tea culture.</p> <p>Discussions will be hosted between customs officials from developing countries and Chinese customs experts on such topics as “Opportunities and Challenges for Regional and Global Trade Facilitation”. Participants are expected to prepare and share their speeches with China customs experts.</p> <p>Please contact the project liaison person by e-mail if further demand on the seminar content is required.</p>
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