

# Project Description

Name	Seminar on Medium to Long-Term Economic Planning for Developing Countries		
Organizer	International Cooperation Center, National Development and Reform Commission		
Time	Oct. 24 <sup>th</sup> to Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> 2019	Language	English
Invited Countries	Officers from Developing Countries		
Number of Participants	25		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; under 50 for officials at director general'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	
	Other Requirement	Family members or friends are not allowed to accompany with participants to the seminar.	
Host City	Beijing City	Local Temperature	6°C--17°C
Cities to visit	Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province	Local Temperature	20°C--11°C
	Shanghai City		20°C--14°C
Notes			
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About the Organizer

Established in 1993, the International Cooperation Center (ICC) of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) is a government institution directly subordinate to NDRC. Under the guidance of the thought on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a new era and the correct leadership of the party committee of NDRC, ICC is willing to make efforts to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development proposed by the United Nations and to contribute to build the community of shared future for mankind so that the platform of bilateral and multilateral cooperation and sharing China's development achievements can be set up. Based on the function of international cooperation and committed to the high-quality development, we will always adhere to the overall work of the party and the country as well as the key work of NDRC. Presently, ICC, working in with NDRC, has become the major institution which supports a series of international cooperation mechanisms in the construction of Belt and Road Initiative and international capacity cooperation and the new-type comprehensive think tank involving different fields, such as policy research, international cooperation, planning consultation, high-end training, foreign affairs services, etc. ICC is a member of the joint conference on international cooperation of NDRC, as well as a member of the leader group office of promoting the construction of Belt and Road Initiative.

Main functions of ICC:

-- Consultation. ICC deeply participates in the major theoretical research and top-level design for the national development and reform work and provides intellectual support for the work of the Party Central Committee, the State Council and NDRC.

-- Mechanism implementation. ICC is in charge of implementing the multilateral or bilateral negotiation and cooperation mechanism established by NDRC and foreign governments. Also, ICC is making efforts to promote the construction of Belt and Road Initiative and the connectivity of strategy and planning, mechanism, platform and project in international capacity cooperation.

-- Public diplomacy. ICC undertakes the work of organizing international exchanges between governments, institutions and enterprises, formulating cooperation plans, providing policy consulting services, conducting international training and promoting international cooperation.

-- Assisting local governments. ICC provides policy guidance, prepares developing plan and builds cooperation platform for local governments in order to help them develop

higher-level open economy in the new-round reform and opening up.

-- Guiding the orientation of public opinion. On the basis of the advantages of theoretical innovation and international cooperation, ICC properly guides the orientation of public opinion and contributes to the national development and reform as well as opening up by propagating high-quality thoughts with objectivity, scientificity and predictability.

-- Providing foreign affairs services. ICC undertakes the foreign affairs work from institutions of NDRC and organizes various types of international conferences to guarantee the key work of NDRC.

Seminar Content	<p>Commissioned by the Ministry of Commerce of the P. R.C., the program is as follow:</p> <p>In today's world, countries are more interconnected and interdependent. In the new era, China clearly puts forward the concept of the community of human destiny, and will surely promote the healthy development of economic globalization with a community of mutual benefit and win-win.</p> <p>Chinese government has actively promoted the construction of Belt &amp; Road Initiative and strengthened the pragmatic cooperation with countries along the passage of Belt &amp; Road Initiative. As an important member of the Belt &amp; Road Office of NDRC, ICC is willing to share China ' s idea of Belt &amp; Road construction and planning with other countries and to conduct in-depth discussion of economic development policy issues. ICC is willing to enhance the communication and cooperation among countries to promote the economic development. ICC is willing to work together with other countries to create an open, inclusive, and balanced regional economic cooperation framework to contribute to the better promotion of social development. 2018 is the year in which the Belt and Road construction has been built to achieve new and important progress. 67 countries signed cooperation documents with China. As of March 3rd, 2019, the total number of countries and international organizations that signed cooperation documents with China has reached 152. From April 25th to 27th , 2019, the Second Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation was held in Beijing. All parties have cooperated closely in related fields of interconnection and achieved positive results. A number of multilateral cooperation mechanisms have also been established in some areas of expertise.</p> <p>Through this seminar, we will share the experience and difficulties encountered in the field of economic development with developing countries, and provide a reference for developing countries to draw a new economic development blueprint. With the resources and experience available, ICC is willing to help developing countries improve their building capacity in the field of economic development strategy and planning so as to promote the sustainable development of economy and society in developing countries. In our schedule, delegations will visit Suzhou and Shanghai. Suzhou is a national historical and cultural city and a scenic tourist city, a national high-tech industrial base, and one of the important central cities in the Yangtze River Delta. Located in the southeastern part of Jiangsu Province, in the middle of the Yangtze River Delta, it is an important part of the Yangtze River Economic Belt in Jiangsu Province. Shanghai is the largest economic center, trading port and comprehensive</p>
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industrial city all around the country. Also, it's the important national science and technology center, trade center, financial and information center all around the country. With the digital economy that drives the development and transformation. We will offer the opportunity to visit these cities to see their current situation of development and to communicate with local enterprises.

**Lectures:**

1. Introduction of the National Conditions of China
2. The Main Content and Promotion Results of the Belt and Road Initiative
3. The Implementation of the 13th Five-Year Plan and the Prospects for the 14th Five-Year Plan
4. The Process and Experiences of China's Reform and Opening Up
5. China's Macroeconomic Situation and Policies in the Early Stage of Reform and Opening Up
6. China's Foreign Economic Policy
7. Formulation of China's Economic and Social Development Strategy
8. Practice and Experiences in the Preparation of China's Medium and Long-term Planning
9. China's Formulation Plan of Preferential Tax and Fee Policy
10. China's Experiences of Transportation Development Mode
11. China's Energy Landscape and Energy Policy
12. China's Experiences of Poverty Reduction and Development
13. The Evolution of China's Regional Coordinated Development Strategy and the Implementation of Regional Plan
14. The Developing Course of Social Welfare System in China