

Project Description

Name	Seminar on Trade and Investment Facilitation of Developing Countries		
Organizer	Academy for International Business Officials (AIBO), Ministry of Commerce, P. R. China		
Time	From December 9 th to 18 th 2020 (10 days)	Language	English
Invited Participants	Officials from economic and trade departments of developing countries (director general and director's level)		
Number of Participants	25 persons		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; under 50 for officials at director general's level	
	Language	Capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English	
Project implementation	Online seminar		
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About the Organizer	<p><i>Academy for International Business Officials</i> (AIBO, also known as <i>Training Center of the Ministry of Commerce</i>), is the only educational and training institution directly affiliated to the <i>Ministry of Commerce</i> (MOFCOM), People's Republic of China.</p> <p>Situated in the famous Xiaotangshan Longmai hot spring area, Changping District, on the riverside of Wenyu River which is reputed as the mother river of Beijing, AIBO boasts a history of 40 years. Covering an area of nearly 600 <i>mu</i> (about 40 hectares) with the total floor area of over 100,000 m², it enjoys beautiful environment and fresh air and has all necessary facilities. Besides, it is conveniently connected to the city's transportation networks.</p> <p>AIBO provides training, academic teaching, conference service as well as holiday service. It has meeting rooms (including VIP rooms) of various sizes. AIBO's hotel is well-furnished and provides all necessary facilities.</p> <p>AIBO is the first to organize seminars for government business officials from other developing countries starting from 1998. Now seminars it organizes cover a large range of topics such as economic administration, trade and investment, city planning and administration, telecommunication, transportation, construction of development zones, logistic management, development of natural resources, international labor cooperation, coordinated development of urban and rural areas, wireless communication and digital TV technology, clean energy, etc. Apart from the seminars for officials at director's level or director general's level, AIBO has also</p>		

	<p>organized many ministerial workshops.</p> <p>By the end of 2019, AIBO has organized 1766 seminars/workshops including 115 Ministerial Workshops, receiving 49863 officials including 1052 ministerial officials from 160 countries and regions around the world.</p> <p>AIBO will strive to make new contributions to the development of China’s commerce and develop into a well-known educational and training institution both at home and abroad.</p>
Seminar Content	<p>Purpose: This seminar aims to promote mutual understanding through online learning and communication, to share experiences of Chinese government in combating against the COVID-19 epidemic, to analyze the latest economic and trade situation, and to interpret economic and trade policies in the new era, to build a platform for connecting and exchanging between China and other developing countries so as to promote trade and investment facilitation.</p> <p>Content: This seminar includes presentations, field trip, exchanges and discussions, etc. The presentations cover the following items: “General Review of China”, “Prospect and outlook of international economic and trade cooperation under the epidemic situation”, “Current situation and prospect of China's foreign investment”, “Development trend of cross-border e-commerce in the post-epidemic era”, “Introduction of trade facilitation and free trade zones policies”, “China's progress in promoting key areas of trade facilitation ”, “China Customs Supervision and Trade Facilitation”, etc.; During the field trip, the trainees will be organized to make cloud visits during the seminar period, including visits to Chinese history and culture and visits to related enterprises; In addition, participants of the seminar will be organized to conduct online exchanges and discussions with local trade promotion agencies.</p> <p>(The above is a preliminary consideration, and the final plan will be adjusted according to the actual situation of the seminar)</p>