

Seminar on Law-Based and Internationalized Business Environment for BRI Countries

Name	Seminar on Law-Based and Internationalized Business Environment for BRI Countries		
Organizer	International Economic Cooperation Center of Fujian Province		
Time	2024-05-24 -- 2024-06-06	Language for Learning	English
Invited Countries	BRI Partner Countries		
Number of Participants	25		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 50 years old (director generals of provincial departments); Under 45 years old (heads of divisions of provincial departments)	
	Health	<p>Participants shall provide clean bills of health or medical examination reports issued by local public hospitals;</p> <p>Personnel with the following conditions shall not participate in the Seminar:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.have diseases prohibited from entry of the boarder according to China's laws and regulations; 2.have severe chronic diseases such as serious high blood pressure, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; 3.have mental illnesses or infectious diseases that may pose serious threats to public health; 4.be in the recovery period after a major operation or the period of acute disease attacks; 5.have severe physical disability; 6.be in pregnancy. 	
	Language	Fluency in listening, speaking, reading and writing in English	
	others	Participants who come to China for training are not allowed to bring spouses or relatives.	
Host City	Fuzhou City, Fujian Province, China	Local Temperature	20°C-25°C
Cities to visit	Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province	Local Temperature	20°C-25°C
Notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Please prepare your passport, Chinese visa and visa of the transfer country (if needed); 2.If you are unable to depart on time because of emergencies or encounter delay of transfer flight, please update your time of arrival in Fuzhou city with the Chinese embassy or contacts of the organizer to facilitate reception at the airport; 3.You are not allowed to change the flight by yourself. If you need to reschedule the flight, please contact the Chinese embassy to endorse the ticket according to due procedures; Unapproved change of the flight will be reported to the Chinese embassy, and costs and responsibilities incurred thereby shall be born by yourself; 4.Staff of the organizer will wait for you at the exit of INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL (or DOMESTIC ARRIVAL) of the airport holding a pickup sign with the name of the Seminar. Please wait at the exit after luggage claim, and call the contacts of the organizer if you wait for more than 15 minutes; 		

	<p>5.If you need to register the loss of luggage with the airline, please call the contacts of the Seminar to confirm the luggage delivery location before filling the registration form; 6.Please pay attention to weather in the host city and bring with you appropriate clothes. Dress code: formal suits or national costumes on important occasions (e.g.:opening ceremony and closing ceremony). 7.It is suggested that participants download useful Chinese apps such as Wechat, Alipay, Baidu etc. on mobile phones in advance.</p>	
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About the Organizer	<p>Affiliated to the Department of Commerce of Fujian Province, International Economic Cooperation Center of Fujian Province (IECC) mainly carries out human resources development and cooperation projects and material-aid projects as a part of the foreign-aid program; it also provides Fujian enterprises with services related to overseas investment, contracted projects and labor cooperation as well as consultancy, translation and interpreting services that facilitate international economic and technological cooperation. IECC was awarded by the State Council as the National Training Base of Human Resources for African Countries in March 2008, and the Training Base of International Business Officials, MOFCOM in May 2010.</p> <p>Since 2001, the Centre has successfully organized 63 training programs and received 97 delegations for business tours, investment attraction and product exhibitions at the request of the Organization Department, Personnel Department, Office of Attracting Foreign Talents and other relevant departments of the Fujian Provincial Party Committee as well as 285 state-owned enterprises, joint ventures and private companies based in Fujian Province. Through the programs, more than 1500 civil servants at different levels, professionals and senior managers received training and conducted investment and product promotions abroad. Besides, drawing on the preferential policies introduced by the Central Government, the Centre has promoted the International Marketing Fund for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises and organized 17 seminars of various subjects for 581 managers from all sorts of enterprises.</p> <p>In 2004, the Centre began running human resources development programs for developing countries under the direction of the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China. By the end of 2023, the Centre has organized 476 training programs for 12964 government officials and professional technicians from 145 countries, regions and organizations, including the Seminar on NPO Capacity Building for Developing Countries, Seminar on Youth Business Initiation for Developing Countries, Seminar for Vietnamese Officials of Three Provinces, Seminar for Senior Diplomats of Latin American Countries, Seminar on Export-oriented Economy, Seminar on Female Capacity Building, Seminar on Economic Development and Planning Analysis of Cities and Towns for Developing Countries, Seminar on Tackling Trade Barriers, Seminar on Investment and Cooperation Promotion for Developing Countries, Seminar on Commerce and Industry for Federation of Yemen Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Seminar for Local Government Leaders of Portuguese-speaking Countries, Seminar for Local Government Leaders from Members of Shanghai Cooperation Organization, etc. Lectures and field trips specifically designed for the theme, orderly implementation of the schedule, and quick response to emergency have ensured the positive effect of seminars and training courses, allowing participants to broaden their horizons,</p>	

	improve their professional and practical abilities, and build friendship with the Chinese people.
Seminar Content	<p>I. Objectives</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To help participants understand the history and approaches of rule of law and internationalized business environment in China; 2. To introduce the methods of designing rule of law and internationalized business environment policies as well as concrete measures; 3. To help participants understand the unique advantages of the policies and path of rule of law and internationalized business environment in China; 4. To help participants build up capabilities in promoting rule of law and internationalized business environment and achieve the goal of sustainable economic development; 5. Upon completion, participants will be able to leverage what they have learned to put forward development proposals in the field of rule of law and internationalized business environment in their own countries based on their own national situation. 6. To continue to carry out follow-up assessments in a variety of ways to provide timely feedback on the results of the training based the specific conditions of the participants. <p>II. Seminar content</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to the main courses and contents <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1)“An Introduction to China”: an introduction to China’s political, economic, social, and cultural development and achievements since the founding of the People’s Republic of China and the start of reform and opening up; (2)“The Belt and Road Initiative and International Cooperation”: an introduction to the practices, achievements and opportunities of international cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative, so that participants can have a deeper understanding of the initiative; (3)“Experience of Fuzhou Municipal Government in Optimizing Business Environment”: an introduction to the work of Fuzhou Municipal Government in optimizing business environment; (4) “Effectiveness and Prospects of Trade Facilitation in Fujian Pilot Free Trade Zone”: an introduction to the experience of Fujian Pilot Free Trade Zone construction; (5) “International Experiences and Chinese Solutions in Optimizing the Rule of Law and Internationalized Business Environment”: an introduction to interpretation of the evaluation index system based on the business environment; (6) “Foreign Investment Law”: an introduction to the positive role of foreign investment law, providing reference for foreign entities’ investment and cooperation; (7) “International Trade ‘Single Window’”: an introduction to China’s initiatives related to promoting trade facilitation; (8) “China’s Judicial Policies to Optimize the Business Environment under the Rule of Law”: an introduction to how the Chinese government’s judicial policies promote the optimization of the business environment; (9) “China’s Free Trade Zones and One-Stop Services”: an introduction to the positive role that China’s Free Trade Zones and its one-stop services play in facilitating investment and cooperation promotion; (10) “China’s Experience in Optimizing the Business Environment for the Digital Economy”: an introduction to the Chinese government’s experience in optimizing the business environment for the digital economy; (11) “Practices and Experiences of Chinese Local Governments in Optimizing the Business Environment”: an introduction to how to optimize the business environment at the level of local governments; (12) “The Construction of Rule of Law in Our Multi-Level Capital Market”: an introduction to the mechanism and operation of the construction of rule of law in the multi-level capital market. 2. Workshops <p>To enhance the effectiveness of the Seminar, the theme of the workshops will focus on development of rule of law and internationalization of the business environment. We will respond to the participants' points of interest and questions regarding the seminar. Exchange meetings with relevant institutions will be arranged to share relevant experiences and practices with participants about understanding Fujian’s business environment under the rule of law and its internationalization.</p>

(1) To improve the business environment is to unleash productivity and enhance competitiveness. The business environment reflects a region's competitiveness, the effectiveness of deepening reform. A good business environment and favorable policies can attract a large number of capital and information flows and other resources. A good business environment has become the key to obtaining various resources.

(2) China has continued to open its door to the outside world, striving to benchmark itself with the world's leading economies, building a fair and competitive market system with high standards, and continuously exploring and creating more opportunities in the areas of intellectual property rights protection, the construction of free-trade zones and the liberalization of market access. The implementation of a series of laws and regulations, such as the Foreign Investment Law and the Anti-monopoly Compliance Guidelines for Businesses, has provided guarantees that are more in line with the requirements of the times for the promotion and protection of foreign investment, further strengthening the sense of serving market players, and it has accelerated the creation of a market-oriented, rule-of-law-based, and internationalized business environment. As Fujian is the frontier province of China's opening up policy, holding the program in Fujian can not only share its experience related to promoting the rule of law and internationalization of the business environment, but also publicize the achievements of China's reform and opening up over the past 40 years, which allow participants to experience the construction and development of the Economic Zone on the coastal area first-hand.

3. Visits

Participants will pay visits to organizations, enterprises, etc. in other cities, and have discussions with their leaders to learn about China's experience in rule of law and internationalized business environment while seeking further cooperation opportunities.

4. Lecturers

(1) Li Hongjie, Director of China and Maritime Silk Road Research Center, Fujian Academy of Social Sciences;

(2) Li Hong, former Deputy Director of the Foreign Affairs Office of the Fujian Provincial People's Government;

(3) Wu Guopei, Counselor of the People's Bank of China, Expert with Special Allowance of the State Council;

(4) Wang Liping, Executive Director, Fujian Pilot Free Trade Zone Research Institute, Party School of Fujian Provincial Committee;

(5) Tao Hongjun, Associate Professor, School of Economics and Management, Fuzhou University;

(6) Yan Zheng, Former President of Fujian Academy of Social Sciences, Doctoral Director;

(7) Ding Fengling, Associate Professor, School of Law, Fuzhou University;

(8) Tang Shiya, Associate Professor, School of Law, Fuzhou University;

(9) Yan Jijia, Associate Professor, School of Economics and Management, Fuzhou University;

(10) Zhao Liang, Associate Professor, School of Economics, Fujian Normal University.

5. Materials to be prepared by participants

To facilitate the communication with Chinese experts, please prepare materials related to the theme of the seminar, such as:

(1) self-introduction including your expertise and organization;

(2) the current situation and problems of rule of law and internationalized business environment in your countries;

(3) cooperation of rule of law and internationalized business environment with other countries and international organizations in your countries;

(4) the foundation and prospects of cooperation with China, etc.

6. Evaluation

Evaluation manuals will be sent to the participants and collected to evaluate the seminar management and teaching quality.