

## Project Description

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| Name                              | Seminar for Judges from Developing Countries   |  |                                 |
| Co-Organizer                      | Academy for International Business Officials (AIBO), Ministry of Commerce, P. R. China |  |                                 |
|                                   | National Judges College of China   |  |                                 |
| Time                              | From November 1 <sup>st</sup> to November 14 <sup>th</sup> ,<br>2023 (14 days)         | Language   | English                         |
| Invited Participants              | Incumbent Judges of Developing Countries (director and director general level)         |  |                                 |
| Number of Participants            | 30   |  |                                 |
| 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 mental 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   | Family members or friends shall not follow   |                                 |
| Host City                         | Beijing  | Local Temperature  | Average temperature of 1°C-10°C |
| City to Visit                     | Pending  | Local Temperature  |                                 |
| Notes                             | /  |  |                                 |
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| <p>About the<br/>Co-Organizer</p> | <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 41 years. Covering an area of nearly 600 <i>mu</i> (about 40 hectares) with the total floor area of over 100,000 m<sup>2</sup>, 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 organized many ministerial workshops.</p> <p>By the end of 2022, AIBO has hosted a total of 2008 training courses/seminars for officials from developing countries, including 124 seminars for officials at ministerial-level, and received 58,632 officials from more than 160 countries and regions in the world, including 5 officials at the vice national-level and 1070 officials at the ministerial-level.</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> |
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**The National Judges College (NJC)** is an institution directly affiliated to the Supreme People’s Court and a main institution for education and training of judges in China. Founded in 1997, NJC is located at No. 111, West Road of South 4<sup>th</sup> Ring Road, Huaxiang, Fengtai District, Beijing. It covers an area of 248 *mu* (about 16.53 hectares) and a floor area of 65,000 m<sup>2</sup>. It can carry out training for 700 people at the same time. NJC primarily undertakes appointment training, reappointment training, promotion training and trial-oriented training for presidents, vice-presidents of China’s high people’s courts and intermediate people’s courts as well as senior judges and reserve talents from all levels people’s courts. Besides, it also provides pre-job training for expectant judges. In the 25 years since its establishment, NJC has held more than 1,600 judges training projects, with the growing speed of 150 training projects per year. More than 250,000 judges and court staff received training in NJC. Since the great progress has been made, it was praised by the Supreme People’s Court in 2011, 2013, 2014, 2018 and 2022, and was awarded by the Supreme People’s Court with third-class merits in 2015.

NJC has a high quality full-time and part-time faculty, with 37 full-time teachers, including 14 professors, 12 associate professors, 10 lecturers and 1 teaching assistant. At the same time, more than 300 part-time teachers are employed from all levels people’s courts, nationwide teaching and scientific research institutions and government institutions. For now, NJC has set up 33 branches in provinces, autonomous regions and municipalities nationwide.

The National Judges College is an important window for communication with foreign countries of the Supreme People’s Court and also serves as “the International Exchange Center for Judges of the Supreme People’s Court”. In order to cooperate with the construction of the Belt and Road, from 2016 to 2022, NJC has held 60 seminars for judges from abroad, training 1,417 judicial officials from 67 countries and regions.

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| <p>Training Course Content</p> | <p>Purpose: This seminar aims to implement Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, promote the implementation of “the Belt and Road” initiative, implement a series of talent training measures President Xi Jinping publicized in large international events, deepen international cooperation in the field of justice and build a platform for judicial exchanges and cooperation between China and other countries in the world.</p> <p>Content: This seminar includes lectures, field trips to courts, trial observation, discussions with judges and visits to other places. The lectures include an overview of China’s national conditions, accelerating the construction of a new development pattern and comprehensively deepen reform and opening up, China’s court organization system and judge system, China’s civil and commercial trial system, China’s criminal trial system, Foreign investment law: legal guarantee for China’s open investment market, China’s administrative trial system, etc.</p> <p>The seminar officials will visit the Primary People’s Court of Fengtai District of Beijing Municipality, to observe the hearing and discuss with the judges, so as to understand China’s trial system and process better.</p> <p>The seminar officials will also carry out field trip, visit local courts and have discussions with local judges.</p> <p>The above is the preliminary schedule, the final version will be provided upon your arrival in China.</p> <p>Notes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1、 Please prepare your passport, Chinese visa and third-party transit country visa (if necessary) before coming to China.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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 Business 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.</li> <li>4、 After picking up the luggage, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit (or</li> </ol> |
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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.

5、 In case of lost baggage so you need to register the loss procedure with the airline, please first communicate with the organizer to confirm the baggage delivery location and then fill in the registration form.

6、 Dress code: Participants should pay attention to the weather conditions during the seminar and bring appropriate clothes. Participants should wear formal clothes (national costumes are also acceptable) for important activities in the seminar.