## Seminar on Development Zone Construction and Management for Belt and Road Countries

Name	Seminar on Development Zone Construction and Management for "Belt and Road" Countries			
Organizer	Tianjin TEDA Import & Export Co., Ltd.			
Time	2025-10-10—2025-10-23		Language for Learning	English
Invited	Belt and Road Countries			
Number of	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 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 during the training		
	others	Family members or friends shall not follow		
Host City	Tianjin City	Local Temperature	10°C~2	28°C in Autumn
Cities to visit	Beijing City, Shenzhen, Guangdong Province;	Local Temperature		10°C~28°C in Autumn 3°C~32°C in Autumn
Notes	<ol> <li>Please prepare materials related to the program theme in advance for the exchange session;</li> <li>Please bring formal dress, national dress or work uniform to the official event</li> <li>Please bring medicine in your usual use</li> <li>Computers will not be provided, please bring your own if needed;</li> <li>Individuals are not allowed to change their air tickets to and from China. In case of necessity, please contact the Economic and Commercial Section of the</li> </ol>			

Chinese Embassy in your country to change the tickets in accordance with the procedures. If you are unable to depart on time due to special circumstances, or if there is a flight delay during transit, please contact the Economic and Commercial Office or the contact persons of the organizer in time to inform the latest flight so that pick-up can be arranged; 7. Please be sure to check whether you need to re-check your baggage when transferring to another flight; Upon landing and collecting your luggage, please wait patiently at the international or domestic arrival exit, where staff will pick you up with a sign with the name of the organizer and the participant; if the waiting time is longer than 15 minutes, please contact the contact persons of the organizer. It is recommended to download and sign up for WECHAT before coming to China. 10. The city of visit may be adjusted depending on the actual situation. Contact Mr. Wen Han, Ms. Ziqi Person(s) Telephone 0086-22-23300776 (Mr. Wen Han), 0086-22-23300767 (Ms. Ziqi) Contact of the Organizer Cell 0086-13920822423 (Mr. Wen Han), 086-13323405326 (Ms. Ziqi) Fax 0086-22-23300783 E-mail tedaiec@126.com Tianjin TEDA Group Co. Ltd. is located in the Tianjin Economic and Technological Development Area and is next to the Tianjin Harbor. It is a comprehensive and multifunctional state-owned enterprise that was established with the approval of the Tianjin Municipal Party and Government. TEDA Group now has over 30 wholly- and partially-owned stipendiaries. TEDA Group has been developing together with the Tianjin Economic and Technological Development Area and is a pacesetter for the Development Area's growth. Tianjin TEDA Import & Export Co., Ltd. (the Company) is a wholly owned subsidiary of TEDA Group and is a platform of foreign exchange, trade and About the investment, and financing for the Group. The Company started the projects of Organizer China Foreign Aid in 2004. TEDA is now the only authorized organizer of the China Aid Project in Tianjin. Benefiting from its many advantages, TEDA has completed in total of 297 seminars for 7173 participants from over 120 countries and areas in Africa, Asia, and Oceania. With nearly 20 years of experience in organizing seminars, TEDA has accumulated rich experience in teaching and management. It effectively integrates theories and practices to promote the Chinese experience so that

participants can return with hands-on experience of the demonstrating effect of economic zones.

## 1. Introduction of Lectures:

- (1) China's Development and the Practice of Reform and Opening-Up: This lecture introduces the impact of the reform and opening-up policy on China's social development in terms of the reform history, reform priorities, regional development, and opening-up to the outside world. Sharing China's reform and opening-up experience and demonstrating its usefulness for developing countries, so that participants can have a macro-understanding of China's rapid economic transformation and development over the past 40 years, enhance their in-depth recognition of China's development model, and provide macro background knowledge for workshop activities and other courses.
- (2) The Development, Strategies, and Policies of China's Utilization of Foreign Investment: This lecture introduces the historical development, development trends, and policies & measures of China's utilization of foreign investment, explains the current new trends and upcoming challenges in China's utilization of foreign investment, and illustrates China's policies and practices in foreign investment management.

## Seminar Content

- (3) The Theory and Practice of World Special Economic Zones: This lecture Introduces the principles and functions of special economic zones (SEZs) in the world and explains the preliminary theoretical preparations for the construction of the zones in terms of laws, policies, infrastructure, and financing. The course will introduce the development experience and lessons of China's SEZs in terms of why to establish economic zones, the difficulties in starting the construction of economic zones, the mode of infrastructure development of economic zones, and the financing methods. The lecture analyzes the history of Tianjin Economic Development Area developing from a salt and alkaline wasteland 40 years ago to a modern industrial new city with a prosperous economy and developed transportation today, aiming to boost the confidence of the participants in building their own industrial parks.
- (4) The Planning System of the Construction of SEZs: This lecture Introduces the planning system for building economic parks and shares experiences in land development and spatial planning, infrastructure development planning, industrial planning, population, environmental and social development planning, and environmental planning.
- (5) Foreign-Invested Enterprises (FIEs) in China: This lecture introduces the process of FIE establishment in China and the layout of development-opening in terms of the development history and current situation of FIEs and the access of FIEs. It describes the changing process of

attracting foreign investment and the positive impacts brought by FIEs.

- (6) The Interpretation of the "One-Stop" Management Model of Development Areas and Regulations of Development Areas: This lecture introduces the origin and development of the "One-Stop" management model, explains mechanisms including "acceptance at the same window, approval procedures starting at the same time, time-limit for government work, and transparent information". Participants will also learn the nature, legal effect, and main contents of the Regulations. This lecture helps participants understand key points of the "China Model" more precisely, so that they can learn, master and replicate the "China Model" more efficiently.
- (7) The Financial and Taxation Management System and Policies of Development Zones: This lecture introduces the financial functions, policies, and systems of the government of development zones, and explains the taxation system in China and the preferential taxation policies for foreign enterprises in China. Using the Tianjin Development Area as a case study, this lecture allows participants to understand the government's financial support for the construction of economic parks in the early years of China's reform and opening up and shares China's experience in using fiscal policy as a means to promote economic development.
- (8) The Urban Planning, Construction, and Management of TEDA: Using TEDA as a case study, this lecture introduces the scope of planning and management in the Tianjin Economic Development Area, the characteristics of planning and implementation, as well as the main elements of the "TEDA model". It also shares the experience of the "bidding and listing" approval mechanism for land management and the centralized development and construction of factories.
- (9) Environmental Protection and Green Development of Industrial Parks: This lecture demonstrates the leading ideas and important initiatives in environmental protection in China over the past 40 years since its reform and opening up. The lecture also explains China's institutional system, management system, and environmental engineering project construction for environmental protection. In the meantime, the framework ideas and progress of China's promotion of a circular economy and low-carbon economy will be covered and some classic cases of green development in industrial parks will be shared.
- (10) China's SEZ Development Experience and Its Popularization and Application: This lecture introduces China's economic park development experience and the vitality brought by industrial upgrading to the park, with the development of Shenzhen Special Economic Zone as a case study.
- (11) Interpretation of the Belt and Road Initiative: This course interprets China's

Belt and Road Initiative from the three aspects of the initiative's introduction, objectives and the new system of an open economy, and explains how to realize people-to-people communication, promote mutual trust and enhance friendship through the communication of policies, the connection of facilities, the smooth flow of trade, and the integration of capital. The concept of mutual trust and friendship.

**2. Visits:** During the seminar, visits to Tianjin, Shenzhen and other relevant areas will be arranged.

## 3. Introduction of Lecturers:

- (1) Wang Lan, professor at the Tianjin Institute of Free Trade Zone. She is a postdoctoral fellow in World Economics at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and a young and middle-aged key innovative talent in Tianjin universities. She is mainly engaged in research on global value chains and China's economic development, new rules of international trade and investment, and regional economic integration.
- (2) Wang Kai is an associate researcher and former deputy director of Tianjin Economic Development Area Administrative Committee. He holds a Master's degree in Economics from Heilongjiang University. He joined the Administrative Committee of Tianjin Development Area in 1989 and has served as Director of the Planning and Statistics Bureau of the Administrative Committee, Director of the Office of the Administrative Committee, Director of the Policy Research Office of the Administrative Committee, Deputy Inspector, Vice President of the Binhai Comprehensive Development Research Institute, Executive Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the TEDA Institute, Adjunct Professor of Nankai University and Tianjin University, and Special Expert of the China Association of Development Areas. He has personally participated in the major decisions in the construction of the Tianjin Development Area, presided over the formulation of the legal and policy system of Tianjin Development Area, and the medium and long-term industrial, economic and social development plan of Tianjin Development Area since the Eighth Five-Year Plan, and has rich experience in the construction and operation of special economic zones, and is good at solving the economic problems in the early stage of the development and construction of special economic zones. He presided over the formulation of master plans for such parks as the Suez Free Zone in Egypt, the China Economic and Trade Cooperation Zone in Zambia, the China-Harbin Khorgos International Border Cooperation Center, the Dire Dawa Industrial Zone in Ethiopia, the Pointe-Noire Special Zone in the Congo (Brazzaville), and the Tagumia Industrial Park in Palestine. He is an expert in the construction and management of economic zones.

- (3) Zhang Ruihua, Director of the Bureau of Work of the Center Business Area of China (Tianjin) Pilot Free Trade Zone. He holds a Master's degree in Finance from Nankai University. He joined the Administrative Committee of Tianjin Development Area in 1996 and has served as Deputy Director of the Policy Research Office of Tianjin Development Area and Deputy Director of the Development and Reform Bureau of Tianjin Development Area, and was appointed to his current position in August 2019. Mr. Zhang is a member of the Board of Directors of the Tianjin Development Area. He is familiar with the development history and policy evolution of China's economic and technological development zones and has a systematic understanding of the institutional construction of the zones' development, the design of the management model, and the reform of the administrative approval system with the aim of optimizing the business environment. He has been involved in the preparation of sustainable development reports of development zones for many years and has unique insights into the environmental protection system of the zones and the green and low-carbon development model, etc. He was stationed in Lekki FTZ of Nigeria from 2013 to 2014 and went to Belarus as an invited expert of the Ministry of Commerce in 2018 to give lectures on the development and construction of the zones and the protection of the environment to the local officials. He has rich experience in development zones and has certain research on the development status of zones, policies and systems, and governmental demands in various countries around the world.
- (4) Ying Zhang , planner of the Planning and Natural Resources Bureau of Tianjin Development Area (TEDA), has a master's degree in land management from Tongji University. She has a master's degree in land management from Tongji University, and joined the Tianjin Development Area Administrative Committee in 2008, specifically responsible for urban planning and management in Tianjin Development Area. Since 2013, she has been delivering lectures to the participants of the seminars, and has been inspiring the participants with her vivid case studies on park planning, including water supply, power supply, sewage disposal, and greening.
- (5) Wang Zheng, Director of Tianjin Development Area Investment Promotion Office. She has a master's degree from Tianjin Polytechnic University. She joined the Tianjin Development Area Administrative Committee in 1997 and has served as the head of the Foreign Investment Section of the Tianjin Development Area Economic Development Bureau, and the deputy director of the Tianjin Development Area West Office, and in August 2019, she took up her current position. She has long been responsible for foreign investment approval and post-enterprise management and enterprise services, has accumulated rich management experience in investment attraction and

- enterprise approval in the development area, and has studied the policy system of foreign-invested enterprises and the government's initiatives to serve enterprises. Since 2010, she has been giving lectures to the participants of the training course for foreign aid officials, and a large number of cases are vivid and objective, which are very inspiring to the participants.
- (6) Liang He, Ph.D. in international trade from Nankai University, is currently a lecturer at the School of Economics, Tianjin University of Finance and Economics. He mainly researches international direct investment, including the motivation of foreign investment in China, the impact of institutional environment on the business performance of foreign enterprises, and the structural transformation of foreign investment. He has conducted in-depth research on the tax system and policies of development zones.
- (7) Lu Jianming, Professor, Tianjin Free Trade Zone Research Institute. D. in World Economics from Nankai University. He is currently a professor at the School of Economics of Tianjin University of Finance and Economics, a doctoral supervisor, and the director of the Research Center for International Trade and Investment Rules at the Tianjin Free Trade Zone Research Institute. His main research areas are international trade, international investment theory and policy, and he has done serious research on China's "Belt and Road" initiative.
- (8) Liu Rongxin is a researcher and director of the China Institute for Comprehensive Development Research (Shenzhen) and has a PhD in world economics from Nankai University. She has a PhD in World Economics from Nankai University. She joined China (Shenzhen) Development Institute in 1990 and has been working on regional and industrial economics, undertaking a number of government and enterprise research projects in the field of development strategy and planning, and leading a series of studies on economic and technological development zones for the Ministry of Commerce. In recent years, she has participated in the planning of a series of offshore industrial parks in Ethiopia's Special Economic Zone, and Pointe-Noire Special Economic Zone in Congo, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Cote d'Ivoire, etc. She has a more systematic and comprehensive understanding of the development of special economic zones and industrial parks.
- **4. Preparation before the Seminar:** Please make the following preparations for a better communication with lecturers and a better learning result:
- (1) A brief introduction of yourself and the department that you work for;
- (2) A brief introduction of the current development of development parks in your country and their major issues;
- (3) A brief description of your expectations for the cooperation with China.

**5. Seminar Assessment:** Participants will be offered an assessment form by the end of the Seminar to provide their feedback on the overall organization of the Seminar.