Seminar on Digital Connectivity Development and Management for Developing Countries

Program name	Seminar on Digital Connectivity Development and Management for Developing Countries					
Organized by		Free Trade Development Board of Zhejiang Province				
Time	2025-	10-21 2025	5-11-10	Language used	English	
Countries invited	Officials and practitioners from departments related to digital connectivity in developing countries					
Planned 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 condition	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 competence	Capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English during the training				
	others	Family members or friends shall not follow				
Venue	Hangzhou City, Zhejiang Province		Weather conditions	12°C~22°C		
Cities to be visited	Yiwu City□Zhejiang Province Huzhou City□Zhejiang Province Ningbo City□Zhejiang Province Shanghai City		Weather conditions	Yiwu Province:11°C~23°C Huzhou Province:10°C~23°C Ningbo Province:11°C~25°C Shanghai City:14°C~25°C	City□Zhejiang City□Zhejiang City□Zhejiang	
Remarks	Shanghai City Shanghai City:14°C~25°C 1.Please prepare in advance the materials related to the discussion and exchange on high-quality development of digital interconnection and interoperability for exchange and discussion; 2. Please wear formal or traditional ethnic clothing or working uniform to formal activities; 3. Please carry a small amount of common medications; 4. The Chinese side will not provide computers, please bring your own if necessary; 5. It is generally prohibited to alter international flight tickets personally. If necessary, please consult the Economic and Commercial Office of the Chinese embassy in your country to handle the process of flight ticket change; 6. If unexpected circumstances prevent your timely departure, or if your connecting flight is delayed, please contact the Economic and Commercial Office or the contact person of the organizer in a timely manner and inform them of the latest flight information for pick - up arrangements; 7. When transferring flights, please confirm whether you need to recheck your luggage; 8. After collecting your luggage upon landing, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit or domestic arrival exit. Our staff will pick you up with a sign bearing the name of the organizer. If the wait exceeds 15 minutes, you can contact with the contact person of the organizer by phone; 9. It is recommended to download and register WECHAT in advance.					

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About the Organizer	Free Trade Development Board of Zhejiang Province, formerly known as the Training Center of the Department of Commerce of Zhejiang Province, is a public institution affiliated with the Department of Commerce of Zhejiang Province. it is responsible for training in the business sector across the province and supporting the development of pilot free trade zones. Since undertaking foreign aid training programs in 2012, the Board has organized a total of 94 training sessions, covering a total of 2775 participants from 99 countries and 2 international organizations. Training topics include international economic and trade cooperation, business related themes, human resource management, tourism and hotel management, sports development, etc. Participants include government officials and technical personnel at various levels. In addition, the Board also organizes annual training for provincial-level directors of commerce and investment promotion, as well as topics such as pilot free trade zone development, development zone construction, e-commerce and cross-border e-commerce. It also provide business certification service to the public. Over 10000 professionals have been certified through the Board in roles such as e-commerce specialists, document clerks, and logistics professionals.			
Training content	This seminar aims to enable participants to have a deep understanding of the core connotations of General Secretary Xi Jinping's thought on an open economy and the "Belt and Road Initiative", as well as their guiding significance for global economic cooperation, and to clarify the important role of digital connectivity in promoting international cooperation and driving global economic development. Through case studies, participants will learn about China's development process in core digital fields such as digital transformation of traditional industries, digital infrastructure construction, digital trade and cross-border e-commerce, artificial intelligence, and smart city development. The seminar will share with the participantse Zhejiang's experience in digital development and practical cases of its digital industry growth, and with the platform of the China Cooperation Center in the BRICS Special Economic Zone, explore new trends and opportunities for international cooperation among developing countries in the field of digital connectivity. Main training courses and content introductions: 1. Through on-site lectures, field visits, seminars, and other methods, this program introduces China's national conditions, explains the basic concepts of the digital economy, its global development trends, and its role in promoting connectivity. It also presents experiences in building digital infrastructure (such as 5G, data centers, and the Internet of Things) and their role in driving regional economic development. Participants will learn about the digital transformation of traditional industries, digital trade and cross-border e-commerce, artificial intelligence, and smart city construction. Renowned professors from Zhejiang University, Zhejiang Gongshang University, China Jiliang University, and other prestigious universities are invited to give on-site lectures. (1) Overview of China's National Conditions (2) Xi Jinping's Thoughts on An Open Economy (3) Global Development Trends of the Digital Economy and Opportu			

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- (4) The Application of 5G Technology and Network Coverage Strategies of Co-built Countries
- (5) Cross-border e-commerce and Digital Trade: New Models, New Forms and New Challenges of Cooperation between China and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization
- (6) A Cooperative Mechanism for Cultivating Talents and Enhancing Innovation Capabilities in the Digital Economy
- (7) The Development of the Digital Industry in Zhejiang and the Cultivation of Industrial Entities
- (8) Digital Infrastructure and Cybersecurity
- (9) The Application of Blockchain Technology and the Development of the Digital Economy
- (10) The Role of Digital Platforms in Equalizing Public Services
- (11) Data Security and Personal Information Protection: Challenges and Countermeasures
- (12) Digital Finance: Innovation and Risk Control
- (13) The Driving Role of the Digital Economy in Poverty Alleviation and Reduction
- (14) The Integrated Development of Digital Culture and Tourism in Zhejiang Province

2. Case Studies:

- (1) Cross-Border Synergy of Digital Infrastructure: Case Teaching on Hangzhou's "City Brain" System
- (2) China's Experience in Digital Economy Development and Zhejiang's Practices: Cases of Digital Economy Cooperation with Developing Countries, the "One Visit at Most" Reform, and Zhejiang's Digital Government Construction
- (3) The Innovation Engine in the Digital Economy Era: Exploring the Mystery to the Rise of Hangzhou's "Six Tech Pioneers"
- 3. Symposiums: Digital Empowerment for the Future: Opportunities and Challenges for the Future Digital Economy Development of Developing Countries
- 4. Field Visits: □The cities may be adjusted according to the situation □
- (1) Visit Wuzhen, the permanent venue of the World Internet Conference, to observe the latest cutting-edge technologies and application achievements of domestic and foreign internet enterprises.
- (2) Visit China Data Valley and China Vision Valley in Hangzhou High-Tech Zone (Binjiang) to explore the market-oriented reform of data elements and the development of the data industry.
- (3) Visit Alibaba Group or Alibaba DAMO Academy to observe cutting-edge digital technologies such as smart logistics, cloud computing, and big data, along with their application results.
- (4) Visit China (Hangzhou) Cross-Border E-Commerce Comprehensive Pilot Zone, the first cross-border e-commerce pilot zone in China.
- (5) Visit the Operation Command Center of Hangzhou City Brain to explore the digital urban governance model.
- (6) Visit Yiwu International Trade City, known as "the world's largest wholesale market for small commodities," to observe the innovative practices driven by digital transformation and upgrading.
- (7) Visit Yiwu Small Commodity City Group to learn about the digital trade development of "Chinagoods"—the online platform of Yiwu Small Commodity City.
- (8) Visit Unitree, one of Hangzhou's "Six Tech Pioneers," to explore the journey of robot R&D.
- (9) Visit Yucun Village in Anji, Zhejiang, to observe how the development of the digital economy empowers new rural construction and common prosperity.
- (10) Visit Ant Group to explore the "microloan technology + rural enterprises" support platform.
- (11) Visit Hikvision to observe how intelligent security contributes to smart city construction.
- (12) Visit Ant Group to explore the development of the digital-smart inclusive finance technology platform.

5. Cultural Experiences:

Through various cultural experience activities and field trips, profound experiences and photo

collections will be left for the participants.

- (1) Based on Zhejiang's digital cultural and tourism publicity resources, video appreciation of traditional Chinese culture will be provided, including cloud-based cultural video experiences such as qin (zither), qi (go), shu (calligraphy), hua (painting), martial arts, tea culture, and Hanfu experience.
- (2) On-site appreciation of Zhejiang's history and humanities: Enjoy West Lake (a world cultural heritage site), Southern Song Imperial Street Qinghefang; and Zhejiang's intangible cultural heritage, such as "Shaoxing Wenxi" (Shaoxing Opera), Liangzhu jade carving, Yuhang paper umbrella, Pingyao pottery, kite lanterns, and sericulture culture.
- (3) Experience Zhejiang's economy and Zhejiang merchants' culture: Visit time-honored Chinese enterprises, Yiwu (the birthplace of the "chicken feathers for sugar" spirit), the Zhejiang Merchants Museum (which showcases the spirit of Zhejiang merchants), and other leading enterprises that have forged the "golden business cards" of Zhejiang merchants.