

Seminar on Digital Economy Development Capacity Building for Developing Countries

Program name	Seminar on Digital Economy Development Capacity Building for Developing Countries		
Organized by	International Cooperation Center(ICC), NDRC		
Time	2025-10-28 -- 2025-11-17	Language used	English
Countries invited	Government officials from relevant ministries in developing countries		
Planned number of participants	25		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 50 years old for participants at director-general's level; under 45 years old for participants at or under division director's level.	
	Health condition	In good health with health certificates or medical examination forms issued by local public hospitals; without diseases prohibited from entry by China's laws and regulations; without severe chronic diseases such as serious high blood pressure, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; without mental illnesses or infectious diseases that may pose serious threats to public health; not during the postoperative recovery period after a major operation or during the outbreak period of acute diseases; without severe physical disability; non-pregnant.	
	Language competence	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.	
Venue	Beijing	Weather conditions	1°C~13°C
Cities to be visited	Xi'an City, Shanxi Province Zhuzhou City, Hunan Province	Weather conditions	Xi'an City, Shanxi Province:4°C~14°C Zhuzhou City, Hunan Province:13°C~22°C
Remarks	1.Please prepare the discussion materials related to the theme of the program; 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	<p>Established in 1993, the International Cooperation Center (ICC) of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) is a government institution directly subordinate to NDRC. Under the guidance of the thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era and the correct leadership of the party committee of NDRC, ICC is willing to make efforts to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development proposed by the United Nations and to contribute to build the community of shared future for mankind so that the platform of bilateral and multilateral cooperation and sharing China's development achievements can be set up. Based on the function of international cooperation and committed to the high-quality development, we will always adhere to the overall work of the party and the country as well as the key work of NDRC. Presently, ICC, working in with NDRC, has become the major institution which supports a series of international cooperation mechanisms in the construction of Belt and Road Initiative and international capacity cooperation and the new-type comprehensive think tank involving different fields such as policy research, international cooperation, planning consultation, high-end training, foreign affairs services, etc. ICC is a member of the joint conference on international cooperation of NDRC as well as a member of the leader group office of promoting the construction of Belt and Road Initiative.</p> <p>1. Main functions of ICC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Consultation. ICC deeply participates in the major theoretical research and top-level design for the national development and reform work and provides intellectual support for the work of the Party Central Committee, the State Council and NDRC. -- Mechanism implementation. ICC is in charge of implementing the multilateral or bilateral negotiation and cooperation mechanism established by NDRC and foreign governments. Also, ICC is making efforts to promote the construction of Belt & Road Initiative and the connectivity of strategy and planning, mechanism, platform and project in international capacity cooperation. -- Public diplomacy. ICC undertakes the work of organizing international exchanges between governments, institutions and enterprises, formulating cooperation plans, providing policy consulting services, conducting international training and promoting international cooperation. -- Assisting local governments. ICC provides policy guidance, prepares developing plan and builds cooperation platform for local governments in order to help them develop higher-level open economy in the new-round reform and opening up. -- Guiding the orientation of public opinion. On the basis of the advantages of theoretical innovation and international cooperation, ICC properly guides the orientation of public opinion and contributes to the national development and reform as well as opening up by propagating high-quality thoughts with objectivity, scientificity and predictability. -- Providing foreign affairs services. ICC undertakes the foreign affairs work from institutions of NDRC and organizes various types of international conferences to guarantee the key work of NDRC. <p>2. Brief introduction of foreign aid work:</p> <p>ICC makes full use of the advantages of relevant departments and bureaus of the National</p>	

	<p>Development and Reform Commission and the Academy of Macroeconomic Research. Over the years, a large number of experts have been gathered to make great contributions to recipient countries in terms of economic policy interpretation, planning formulation, and international cooperation. As of the end of 2024, ICC has implemented more than 500 foreign aid training programs. It has invited nearly 20,000 officials from more than 130 countries and regions on six continents . There are more than 20 themes, mainly covering the construction of the “Belt and Road”, macroeconomics, infrastructure, urbanization, China’s experience sharing, governance, public management, capacity cooperation, climate change, medium and long-term planning. Over the years, ICC has organized and implemented 44 projects under the “Belt and Road” initiative, training more than 1600 officials from countries along the route. ICC has made great efforts to publicizing the “Belt and Road” initiative, interpreting Chinese policies and measures, sharing development experiences, and promoting people-to-people bonds in countries along the route.</p> <p>3. Overview of the executive team:</p> <p>ICC has more than 30 professional and executive staffs for foreign aid training project, who have participated in foreign aid training and related international cooperation projects for many years, including 6 members with more than 8 years of foreign aid training experience and 7 members with more than 6 years of foreign aid training experience. There are 6 members with 5 years of foreign aid training experience, and more than 11 members with 4 years or less of foreign aid training experience. Their working languages involve English, French, Spanish, and Russian. Among them, 8 people has passed the TEM-8 and 7 have returned from studying abroad with rich experience in foreign affairs and international cooperation. Meanwhile, other research teams of ICC can also participate in the work of foreign aid training projects to ensure the successful implementation of the project.</p>
Training content	<p>Sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of the P. R.C., the program is as follow:</p> <p>Digital capacity building can help developing countries bridge the traditional development gap and directly empower the development of small and medium-sized enterprises and improve people's livelihoods through innovative models such as e-commerce and digital finance. China's digital economy has developed rapidly and has become the world's second-largest digital economy. Currently, it has formed a digital industrial system centered on 5G, artificial intelligence, cloud computing, and big data, and has cultivated globally leading innovative business forms such as e-commerce (accounting for 40% of global transactions) and mobile payment (with a penetration rate of 86%). In recent years, through cooperation mechanisms such as the "Digital Silk Road", China has provided digital solutions to over 50 developing countries, enabling more than 100 million people to access the Internet for the first time. This capacity building not only promotes local economic growth but also provides a new path for achieving the United Nations' 2030 Sustainable Development Goals through technological empowerment. It is a key measure to build a fair and inclusive global digital economy order. Its experiences such as "pilot first, then promote" and "synchronous development of software and hardware infrastructure" are especially suitable for developing countries to refer to.</p> <p>Through this training program, we will share China's development experience in the digital economy with officials from other developing countries, provide professional guidance and assistance based on their actual needs, and further strengthen exchanges and cooperation between relevant departments of China and other developing countries. In addition to a rich course schedule, we will also lead the participants to visit two representative Chinese cities, Xi'an and Zhuzhou. Xi'an is an important central city in western China, a national historical and cultural city, an international comprehensive transportation hub, a national important scientific research and cultural education center, and a western economic center, scientific and technological innovation center, and advanced manufacturing base. Zhuzhou is a core city of the Changsha-Zhuzhou-Xiangtan urban agglomeration and one of the cities in the middle reaches of the Yangtze River urban agglomeration. It is one of the eight key industrial cities built after the founding of the People's Republic of China and an old industrial base in China. In-depth city visits and exchanges with local enterprises will help participants better understand China's regional development strategy and accurately match practical cooperation needs.</p> <p>1.Lectures:</p> <p>Public Courses</p> <p>1.Introduction to China’s National Conditions: Mainly introduce the current situation of China’s development in the political, economic, social and cultural fields.</p>

	<p>2.Interpretation of Xi Jinping’s Thought on Governance in the New Era: Introduction of the contemporary background, the key contents, and the inner logic and essence of Xi Jinping’s Thought.</p> <p>3.China’s Medium and Long-Term Planning: Goals and Measures for Development in Various Fields.</p> <p>4.China’s Opening Up to the Outside World: Understanding China’s Development Strategy and Basic State Policy of Opening Up to the Outside World and Their Impacts.</p> <p>5.The Progress and Opportunities of“the Belt and Road Initiative”: Analyzing the Mechanized and Sustainable Construction Progress and Opportunities of the Joint Construction of the "Belt and Road"</p> <p>Specialized courses</p> <p>1. Current Situation of China's Digital Economy Development: Introduce the current situation of China’s digital economy development, with the dual drive of policies and capital continuously accelerating.</p> <p>2. Government Digital Transformation and Governance Modernization: Data sharing platforms break down departmental barriers, digital twin cities assist decision-making, and intelligent supervision enhances governance transparency and efficiency.</p> <p>3. Digital Economy, Intelligent Manufacturing and Regional Innovation System: Introduce the methods of regional industrial internet platforms to cluster small and medium-sized enterprises and how to form a new paradigm of cross-city linkage, shared manufacturing and collaborative innovation.</p> <p>4. Digital Economy Empowering New Quality Productivity Development: Introduce data computing power algorithms driving, intelligent collaboration reducing costs and increasing efficiency, and reshaping total factor productivity.</p> <p>5. Strategic Emerging Industry Integration and Cluster Development in the Digital Economy Era: Introduce the integration of five chains including integrated circuits, new display, intelligent terminals, cloud computing, and artificial intelligence.</p> <p>6. Artificial Intelligence and Digital Economy: Introduce the algorithm governance framework, and the AI ethical review mechanism to ensure the healthy and sustainable innovation of the digital economy.</p> <p>7. Technology Drives Digital Economy Application: Introduce technologies such as 5G/6G, blockchain, XR, and quantum communication, which give rise to ten new scenarios and business model paths such as digital tourism, trusted supply chain, and metaverse office.</p> <p>8. Development Trends, Challenges and Countermeasures of China's Digital Trade: Introduce the development status of cross-border e-commerce imports and exports within five years, restrictions on data cross-border flow, and rule differences.</p> <p>9. Vision, Pathways and Strategies for Industrial Digitalization in China: Introduce the scale of comprehensive digitalization of large-scale enterprises by 2035, cloud computing, data utilization, intelligence empowerment, standardization, and coordinated promotion by central and local authorities at different levels and differentiated measures.</p> <p>10. Innovation-driven Urban Redefinition and Digital Transformation: City brain real-time scheduling of transportation and energy, digital twin reshaping spatial planning.</p> <p>11. Networked, Informationized and Digitalized Management of Social Governance: Introduce grid + big data precise governance, achieving "one screen viewing the entire area, one network managing the entire city" in grassroots governance.</p> <p>12. New Discussions on Cybersecurity under the Wave of Industrial Internet: Introduce OT/IT integration zero trust, endogenous security hierarchical protection, and guarantee of the entire life cycle of industrial data.</p> <p>Note: The cities for visits and field trips may be adjusted according to the actual situation.</p> <p>2.Study tour arrangements</p> <p>1. BOE Technology Group Co., Ltd.</p> <p>2. Uisee Technologies</p> <p>3. Beijing International Big Data Trading Co., Ltd.</p> <p>4. ZTE Xi'an Research Institute</p> <p>5. Xi'an Bright Laser Technologies Co., Ltd.</p> <p>6. Xi'an Longteng Semiconductor Technology Co., Ltd.</p> <p>7. ZHUZHOU CRRC TIMES ELECTRIC CO., LTD.</p> <p>8. Weichai Torch Technology Co., Ltd.</p> <p>9. HUNAN CUBIC NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD.</p>
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