Workshop on High-Quality Development of Infrastructure Connectivity for Belt and Road Countries

Program name	Workshop on High-Quality Development of Infrastructure Connectivity for Belt and Road Countries						
Organized by	Free Trade Development Board of Zhejiang Province						
Time	2025-11-04 2025-11-10			Langua	ge 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.					
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	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 conditio	ns 12°C	12°C~22°C		
Cities to be visited	Ningbo Ci Huzhou Ci	ty, Zhejiang Province ty, Zhejiang Province ty, Zhejiang Province anghai City	Weather conditio	ns Ning Provi Huzh Provi	Yiwu City, Zhejiang Province:8°C~21°C Ningbo City, Zhejiang Province:11°C~23°C Huzhou City, Zhejiang Province:9°C~23°C Shanghai City:11°C~23°C		
Remarks	1. Please prepare prepare in advance the materials related to the discussion and exchange on high-quality development of infrastructure connectivity; 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 training program aims to provide learning and exchange opportunities for participants from "Belt and Road" countries, enabling them to deeply understand the core connotations of General Secretary Xi Jinping"s thought on an open economy and the "Belt and Road" initiative, and to clarify the significant meaning and far-reaching impact of the "Belt and Road" initiative in promoting international cooperation and driving global economic development. By learning about China's concepts, advanced technologies and innovative management in infrastructure connectivity, the seminar intends to promote mutual learning and enhance trust in China's infrastructure construction and connectivity. Through discussions, participants will become familiar with international and Chinese standards in infrastructure connectivity, explore the alignment and cooperation of bilateral infrastructure, and reach common understandings. Exchanges and visits to enterprises in fields such as standards, engineering and equipment, will demonstrate to the participants China's capabilities in infrastructure, so as to promote multilateral and bilateral cooperation. Main training courses and content introductions: 1.Through methods such as on-site lectures, field visits, and exchange seminars, this program introduces China's national conditions, interprets the connectivity of policies, rules and standards, discusses the planning and intelligent upgrading of transportation infrastructure, and shares practices in the green transformation of energy infrastructure. 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) Connectivity in Policies, Rules and Standards (4) Planning and intelligent Upgrading of Transportation Infrastructure				

- (5) Green Transformation Practices of Energy Infrastructure
- 2.Case Studies:
- (1) Cross-border Synergy of Digital Infrastructure Case Teaching on Hangzhou's "City Brain" System
- (2) Visit Hangzhou Financial Town to exchange views on financial support mechanisms and cross-border investment and financing
- 3.Symposiums: Participants will be organized to discuss with Zhejiang Provincial E-Commerce Promotion Center on solutions to existing problems in infrastructure construction of "Belt and Road" countries and their future development, focusing on topics such as difficulties in infrastructure connectivity and obstacles in international trade cooperation.
- 4. Filed visits and inspections:
- (The cites may be adjusted according to the situation)
- (1) Visit the Operation Command Center of Hangzhou City Brain to observe the digital urban governance model.
- (2) Visit Hangzhou E-Commerce Industrial Park to explore the industrial model.
- (3) Visit Alibaba Group or Alibaba DAMO Academy to inspect cutting-edge digital technologies such as smart logistics, cloud computing, and big data, as well as their application achievements.
- (4) Visit Zhejiang Communications Investment Group to discuss practical experiences in "Belt and Road" transportation infrastructure cooperation.
- (5) Visit Zhejiang Free Trade Zone [including Zhejiang Materials Industry Group Co., Ltd. (bulk commodities), Zhejiang Energy, etc.] to exchange views on bulk commodity allocation hubs and green and low-carbon energy transformation.
- (6) Visit Yiwu International Trade City to investigate and exchange information on international trade platforms, trade models, and practices of integration of digitalization and e-commerce.
- (7) Visit the Yangshan Deep-Water Port Phase IV Automated Terminal in the Lin-gang Special Area of China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone (Yangtze River Delta) to learn about the intelligent dispatching system of the world's largest container port and the "Customs-Railway Integration" cross-border facilitation measures.
- 5. Cultural experiences: Interesting cultural experience activities will increase participants' understanding of traditional Chinese culture and leave them with lasting memories.
- (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.