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Twinning Sessions in Chengdu and Wuhan
Regional and Urban Innovation
05 – 12 May 2015

An event prepared for European delegates from Dublin and Barcelona

PROGRAMME

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The programme is designed for European representatives of local authorities from Barcelona and Dublin that will be accompanied by representatives of business sectors for the areas related to regional and urban innovation. The event will consist of field visits and working meetings in Chengdu and Wuhan. This is the first meeting between the four cities and aims at identifying cooperation areas that will lead to concrete projects to be initiated after the programme. A follow-up event will take place in Europe in October 2015. The final meeting is scheduled for February 2016.

About Chengdu and Wuhan

Chengdu is the capital of Sichuan Province, located in the southwest of China and with a population of 80 million inhabitants. The municipality has a population of approx. 14 million inhabitants and a GDP over 1 trillion RMB (2014). It is a key economic centre of Western China and one of the major agricultural production and industrial centres of the country. Chengdu has an ambitious low carbon work programme, including sharp carbon intensity reduction and the increase of non-fossil energy share. The capital of Southwest China’s Sichuan province also aims to build itself into a sustainable smart city as an effective way to make use of green IT to create the green GDP.

With a population of 10 million inhabitants, Wuhan is capital of Hubei Province. It is a modern city, situated at the crossroads of Central China. In 2014, Wuhan's GDP reached €130 Billion, being the 4th largest economy among sub-provincial cities. Wuhan is a commercial centre of finance, industry, trade and science, with many international companies. Having scientific, technological and educational institutions such as the Wuhan University, the city is also an innovation centre. Wuhan is a transportation hub for air, railway as well as ferry traffic. The distance from Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou is more or less equal. The Yangtze River and the Han River pass through the city. Wuhan has 13 districts and three state-level development zones, i.e. Wuhan Economic and Technological Development Zone (Zhuankou Development Zone), East Lake Hi-Tech Development Zone (Optical Valley of China) and Wuhan Wujiashan Economic and Technological Development Zone.

The polycentric urban pattern is confirmed in the Wuhan Masterplan. It describes the outlines of a green and blue framework in which the urban nodes are located and separated. To ensure protection of these open spaces and green-blue wedges, the Masterplan has identified zones forbidden or restricted for use as urban construction land.
World Cities Detailed Agenda in Chengdu and Wuhan

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**Day 1 – Tuesday 05 May 2015**

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<td>17:15-19:50</td>
<td>Flight Dublin – Amsterdam (KL3160 operated by EI) or Flight Barcelona – Amsterdam (KL1674)</td>
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<td>20:55-12:30 (+1)</td>
<td>Flight Amsterdam – Chengdu (KL891)</td>
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**Day 2 – Wednesday 06 May 2015**

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<td>Arrival in Chengdu</td>
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<td>13:00-14:00</td>
<td>Transfer to the Hotel</td>
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<td>14:00-15:00</td>
<td>Check in</td>
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<td>15:00-15:30</td>
<td>Transfer to Chengdu DRC Headquarters</td>
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<td>15:30-18:00</td>
<td>Meeting with Local Authorities</td>
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<td>Chinese counterpart: Mr LIU Xingjun, Director General Chengdu DRC</td>
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<td>18:30-20:00</td>
<td>Dinner with Local Authorities</td>
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Accommodation:
Dorsett Grand Chengdu (*****) No.168, West Yulong Street, Qingyang, 610015 Chengdu, China

**Day 3 – Thursday 07 May 2015**

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<td>09:00-10:00</td>
<td>Visit of the Chengdu exhibition hall</td>
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<td>10:00-10:30</td>
<td>Transfer to Tianfu New District</td>
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<td>10:30-12:30</td>
<td>Visit of Tianfu New District and Meeting with Local Authorities</td>
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<td>12:30-13:30</td>
<td>Lunch</td>
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<td>14:00-17:00</td>
<td>Field Visits on Urban Development and Innovation in Tianfu District</td>
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17:30-18:30  Transfer to City Centre

19:00  Dinner

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Day 4 – Friday 08 May 2015

09:00-12:00  Field Visits on Urban Innovation: High Tech Zone (South of Chengdu), http://www.chengduhitech.com/ and http://www.chengduhitech.co.uk/Location/South_Park.asp
Visiting 2 companies (IT Cluster):
Tap4Fun  http://www.tap4fun.com/

12:30-13:30  Lunch

14:00-15:00  Talks with steering committee of High-Tech Zone http://www.chengduhitech.com/

15:00-16:00  Transfer to Chengdu DRC Headquarters

16:00-17:00  Working meeting with DRC Chengdu on trilateral cooperation Dublin – Barcelona – Chengdu

17:30 – 18:30  Transfer to Hotel

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Day 5 – Saturday 09 May 2015

Cultural program in Jinsha Museum and Panda Park

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Day 6 – Sunday 10 May 2015

08:30 – 09:15  Transfer to the airport

10:50 – 12:55  Flight to Wuhan

13:30 – 16:00  Pick-up by Mr ZHANG Wenshang, Vice-Director General. DRC Wuhan
   Transfer to the Home of Citizens & Visit of the Exhibition Centre on Urban Development

16:00 – 18:00  Check-in and Free Time

18:00  Dinner

19:20 – 22:00  Cultural programme – The HAN Show Wuhan

Accommodation in River Pearl Hotel Howard Johnson (***) 182 Yanjiang Ave, Hankou Dst.

Day 7 – Monday 11 May 2015

08:30 – 12:00  Field Visits in Donghu High-Tech Industrial Park  http://en.wehdz.gov.cn

Description: Optical-electronics, telecommunications, and equipment manufacturing are the core industries of Wuhan East Lake High-Tech Development Zone (ELHTZ) while software outsourcing and electronics are also encouraged.
Counterpart: Mr ZHANG Wenshang, Vice-Director General. DRC Wuhan

Visit of 2 companies:
1) YOFC, Fibre Cable, Mr Jan Bongaerts, Firss Deputy CEO, www.yofc.com
2) Fibre Home, www.fiberhomegroup.com

Meeting with local authorities of ELHTZ

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch

13:30 – 17:30  Visit of the Wuhan Economic Zone

Description: The Wuhan Economic & Technological Development Zone is one of the most concentrated automotive industrial areas in China, having the headquarters of Dongfeng Motor,
Dongfeng Peugeot Citroen and Honda Motor. 16 automobile R&D centers are located in the centre as well as 180 automotive parts manufacturers.

Meeting with local authorities

Visit of two companies:
1) Dongfeng Peugeot Automotive – Mr Jean Mouro, Executive Dpty. General Manager
2) Valeo, Lightning Systems – Mr Stéphane Thery, R&D Director Wuhan

Discussion Round with local authorities and companies’ representatives
Chinese Counterparts: Mr LI Qinggong, Hubei DRC
Ms MA Lin, Director Regional Economy, DRC Wuhan
Mr YAN Guanliang, Deputy Director General, Wuhan Economic & Technological Development Zone

17:30 – 19:00 Dinner

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Day 8 – Tuesday 12 May 2015

08:30 – 09:00 Meeting with Mayor of Wuhan Mr WANG Yong
2 Vice Mayors (incl. Executive Deputy Mr LU Shaye) and Chairman of DRC Wuhan

09:00 – 12:00 Discussion with Local Authorities (Wuhan DRC, etc)
Moderator: Mr Chen Jieru, Dpty. Director-General of Wuhan Municipal Office
Participants: Mr Li Qinggong, Hubei DRC
Further institutions: Municipal Finance Bureau, Municipal Education Bureau
Science & Technology Office, Commerce Bureau
Tourism Bureau

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch with Executive Vice-Mayor Mr LU Shaye

14:30 – 16:00 Internal Discussion – Summary and Prospects

16:00 – 17:00 Transfer to the Airport

19:20 - 21:05 Flight to Guangzhou (AF4407)

23:05 – 05:50 (+1) Flight Guangzhou > Paris (AF 107)

Connecting flights to Barcelona (07:40 – 09:20) and Dublin (07:20 – 08:15)