



Workshop on Special Economic Zones and Economic Corridor Development

Shanghai, People's Republic of China
25–29 June 2018

AGENDA

25 June 2018, Monday (Day 1)	
08:00 – 08:30	Registration
08:30 – 09:30	Orientation and Training Overview <i>Lead by AFDI team</i> This is an interactive session for participants to get to know each other, to develop an overview of the training, discuss the training objectives, and build the SEZ & ECD learning community.
09:30 – 09:50	Opening Session Opening Remarks: <i>Mr. Hun Kim, Director General, South Asia Department, Asian Development Bank</i> Welcome Address: <i>Dr. Li Kouqing, Director-General, Asia-Pacific Finance and Development Institute, Ministry of Finance, PRC</i> Group Photo
09:50 – 11:20	SESSION 1: Economic Corridor Development (ECD) and Financing in India — VCIC case study Speaker: <i>Mr. Solomon Arokiaraj, Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh</i> This session explores the concept of economic corridors, highlights its key features and further discusses innovative strategies in financing infrastructure and industrial area development. In particular, the presentation will focus on the case study of the Vizag Chennai Industrial Corridor (VCIC), India's first coastal economic corridor, and its role in helping the "Sunrise State" of Andhra Pradesh achieve its Industries Mission by transforming the state's economy. The presentation will include progress of the \$625-million VCIC Development Program, which targets both the hard infrastructure and the soft regulatory aspects of industrial corridor development, as well as discussions on how the state government of Andhra Pradesh is implementing the program and the proposed multi-tiered institutional mechanism for seamless operations and delivery of infrastructure. How these measures have been complemented by an aggressive investment promotional approach will also be discussed. Q&A

11:20 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:30	<p>SESSION 2: Logistics Sector Development</p> <p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Robert de Souza, Executive Director, The Logistics Institute – Asia Pacific</i></p> <p>The logistics sector is a critical component in the use of initiatives such as economic corridors and investment zones to reinvigorate the manufacturing sector. However, urban logistics is being severely disrupted and calls for a revamp of business models and stakeholder engagement. This presentation addresses the challenges posed and collates the opportunities that abound in fulfilment. It discusses the crux about solutions matched to the needs of each unique environment it has to serve from e-commerce to the traditional supply chains. The presentation attempts to layout, from a logistics and supply chain perspective, the current landscape of traditional and e-commerce trends and challenges and present some ground-breaking concepts, technologies, and simple to complex solutions.</p> <p>Q&A</p>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
14:00 – 17:00	<p>SESSION 3: Investment and Finance Models for SEZs</p> <p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Zhou Lei, Chair and Founder of Shanghai Dragonboat Investment Management Ltd.</i></p> <p>China Central Government gives Special Economic Zone (SEZs) free-market oriented economic policies, which provides SEZs more efficient and flexible methods to attract Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs) to stimulate international trading and industrial upgrading. Therefore, the positive of use land economics stimulation tools such as property-led investment model has enhancing the economic growth of SEZs and the urbanization process. Based on a number of best practices in China (SEZs and Industrial Park development), this session will illustrate the applications of different investment and financial models such as Private Sector Investment, PPP, Equity Funds, and also explain the advantages and disadvantages of fiscal tools, such as tax incentives, and other subsidiaries.</p> <p>Q&A</p>
26 June 2018, Tuesday (Day 2)	
09:00 – 12:00	<p>SESSION 4: An Overview of SEZs in China: Trends, Problems, and Prospects</p> <p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Yin Xingmin, Professor and Deputy Director, China Center for Economic Studies, Fudan University</i></p> <p>This session will introduce the objectives and history of China's SEZs and industrial development zones (IDZs). The presentation will include the SEZs and IDZs: (i) policies design and development; (ii) progress of IDZs based on clusters; (iii) contribution to national economy; and (iv) key success factors and lessons learned. Case studies on the Kunshan export-processing zones (EPZs) and Shenzhen SEZ in PRC will be featured.</p> <p>Q&A</p>
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch

14:00 – 17:00	SESSION 5: China's Pilot FTZs and Further Reform and Opening Policy
(Coffee break: 15:00–15:30)	<p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Xu Mingqi, Professor, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, Secretary-general of Shanghai Research and Coordination Center for FTZ Studies</i></p> <p>This session will introduce China's pilot FTZs using the Shanghai FTZ as example. It will highlight the reform process and lessons in terms of foreign investment, trade facilitation, government administration, financial opening and service sector, among others.</p> <p>Q&A</p>
17:00 – 18:00	Group Discussion
	Participants organized in country teams could discuss each country's SEZ development, such as policy design, implementation, success factors, challenges, performance and recommendations, and get prepared for country presentation.
27 June 2018, Wednesday (Day 3)	
09:00 – 11:00	SESSION 6: City Cluster Development in China
(Coffee break: 9:45–10:00)	<p>Speaker: <i>Dr. Lu Ming, Professor of Economics, and Director of China Centre for Development Studies at Shanghai Jiao Tong University</i></p> <p>This session explains how China has developed its regional economy both for efficiency and balance. City cluster, especially in Yangtze River Delta and Pearl River Delta, is the major form for urban and regional development in China, as distance to major seaports and large cities both matter significantly for city-level growth. However, place-based policies have also been launched to help those lagged regions. Consequently, efficiency has been undermined in recent years. In the future, China can only sustain its growth and achieve both efficiency and balanced development following a "balance-through-agglomeration" path.</p> <p>Q&A</p>
11:00 – 12:00	Session 7: Country Experience Sharing and Closing
	<p>This session is designed to give participants an opportunity to introduce each country's current status and circumstances on SEZ development and share one another's respective experiences with other participants.</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Mr. Rana Hasan, Director, Development Economics and Indicators Division, Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department, ADB</i></p> <p>Speakers: presentation by participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh • India • Sri Lanka <p>Closing Remarks for Lecture Sessions at SNAI <i>Mr. Hun Kim, Director General, South Asia Department, ADB</i></p>



12:00 – 13:30	Lunch
14:00 – 17:00	Site visit to Shanghai Urban Planning Exhibition Hall This site visit will show participants Shanghai's urban planning and development, its history, and present and planned development in the future. Participants could see a huge scale model of the city of Shanghai, showing all existing and approved buildings.
18:00 – 19:30	Reception dinner at Shanghai Oriental Pearl Tower
28 June 2018, Thursday (Day 4)	
9:00 – 17:00	Trip to Suzhou Industrial Park SESSION 8: Suzhou Industrial Park: Planning, Development and Management <i>Speaker: Mr. Chen Qining, Board Member, President of SCP (China) and Chief Planner</i> This session will draw on the successful experience of the development of Singapore, and take Singapore's successful experience in Suzhou Industrial Park, which is jointly developed by China and Singapore, as an example to illustrate the planning, design, development and management of SEZ. Site Visit to Suzhou Industrial park Participants will visit China-Singapore Suzhou Industrial Park, including the science and innovation zone, the business and commercial zone and the first-phase development zone, to develop an overall understanding of the design of Suzhou Industrial Park and its development in past decades.
29 June 2018, Friday 2017 (Day 5)	
9:00 – 17:00	Trip to Yangshan Port Participants will visit the Yangshan Deep Water Port, one of the largest cargo ports in the world, as well as the Shanghai Yangshan Deep Water Bonded Area, as a part of the Shanghai Pilot Free Trade Zone, and will learn the policy innovation and exploration in the development of Yangshan Port.