

# Nantong report

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**Green Nantong struck a pose in Dubai**

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By Peng Junjun

From 30th November to 12th December, the 28th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28) was held in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates. Jiangsu special event, as one of the COP28 ‘Chinese Corner’ series of activities, was held at Expo City Dubai on the afternoon of 4th December. Nantong, as an invited city to speak offline, told about the practice of green and low carbon development implementation of Nantong by ‘a hill’, ‘a ship’, ‘an is-

land’, and ‘a bay’, with the theme of ‘let green and low carbon enable high-quality urban development’.

The theme of ‘Chinese Corner’ Jiangsu special event was ‘green and low carbon development practice’. Nantong panel presented the achievements of green and low carbon development in five aspects which are green transformation of the industries, vigorous development of green energy, building of low carbon industries cluster, pollution and carbon reduction and integrated efficiency increase, and continuous burnishing of ecological foundation.

More than 800 years ago, *the Travels of Marco Polo* described ‘a small city called Haizhou’ as a delicate, prosperous city with business-citizen connectivity. The ‘small city called Haizhou’ is Nantong. Nantong is located at the intersection of the Yangtze River, the third longest river in the world, and the Pacific Ocean. It is across the Yangtze River, facing Shanghai, an international metropolis. It is an important city at the intersection of the ocean and the land of joint building of ‘the Belt and Road’ Initiative, together with Dubai.

In the past few years, Nantong has optimized and adjusted the structure of industries, and promoted comprehensively the greening transformation of eight major industries including textile, printing, dyeing, shipbuilding and marine engineering. Ecological protection and restoration projects have been implemented, and over 9000 mu forest green field has been newly increased.

In Jiangsu special event, two enterprises: Nantong Tianying and Nantong Zhongtian Technology were invited to participate in the exhibition.

## Singapore Marine Industrial Park settled in Nantong

By Li Tong

On 5th December, Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area and CETC Fund under China Electronics Technology Group signed an agreement, to promote the Singapore Marine Industrial Park project whose total investment was about 3 billion yuan and the offshore new energy high-end equipment project whose total investment was 1 billion yuan to settle in Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area together.

At present, Nantong is vigorously developing marine economy, and accelerating the building of new productive forces cluster in the marine industry, to build a modern marine

city with Jianghai characteristics. CETC Fund, as an investment platform enterprise which focuses on core technology fields, worked together with Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area this time, to build a new highland of marine engineering development together, and add strong momentum to the acceleration of building the marine city in Nantong.

Xie Qinghua, CEO of China Electronics Technology Development Co., Ltd. and Shanghai Pudong Software Park Co., Ltd., said that Nantong is a highland of investment in the Yangtze River delta, and he hoped to have in-depth discussion and practical cooperation with Nantong in fields such as software and chip industries.

## Carmen performed



On 26th November, dance *Carmen* was performed at Gengsu Theatre by Ballet Flamenco De Madrid. The dance was adapted from the opera of the same name by French master composer Bizet, originating from the classic work of the same name by French writer Mérimée.Photo by Xu Peiqin



## ‘Future flight attendants’ taught international students

7th December is International Civil Aviation Day. On that day, some international students of Nantong Vocational University from Vietnam, Laos, Namibia, and Uganda went to the hands-on training class of the flight attendant major. The picture presents the students of Nantong Vocational University teaching the Namibian international students to wear life jackets. Photo by Xu Peiqin

## Danish doctors visited Hai’an Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine

By Li Bo

On 5th December, Hai’an Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine welcomed 4 ‘special’ guests again. Thomas Larsen, the director of Rigshospitalet in Denmark, and his party came to the hospital for visit and exchange.

The delegation went to the Chinese medicine Museum and Health Experience Center, got to know the development history of the hospital and traditional Chinese medicine in Hai’an, and expressed a lot of interest in the source of Chinese medicine and knowledge about Chinese medicine. Director Thomas Larson observed for a long time in front of the ‘Bronze Acupuncture Figure’, and said with a thumb-up, ‘the Chinese medicine culture in China is really amazing!’

Rigshospitalet is one of the 8



super hospitals in Denmark. It provides wide medical services, especially in chronic metabolic diseases and cancer diagnosis and treatment, and provides high-quality diagnosis and treatment for patients. The innovation center of Novo Nordisk A/S in Denmark (the 260th among the Fortune Global 500) is established in the hospi-

tal. The hospital has the best cancer treatment center in Denmark. The visit was entrusted by Ministry of the Interior and Health of Denmark. It is to visit and research on cooperation hospitals in Nantong, for preliminary works of application for Ministry of the Interior and Health of Denmark China-Denmark cooperation pilot project.

## Jiangsu (Nantong)—Samarkand of Uzbekistan Economic and Trade Cooperation and Exchange Conference held

By He Jiayu

On 5th December, Jiangsu (Nantong)—Samarkand of Uzbekistan Economic and Trade Cooperation and Exchange Conference was held. Kobilov, the deputy governor of Samarkand Region, led a administrative and business delegation, and talked about friendship, cooperation and development with relevant departments of Nantong.

As one of the first batch of 14 open coastal cities in China, Nantong has had close cultural exchanges and economic and trade cooperation with Uzbekistan. From January to October this year, the

import and export between Nantong and Uzbekistan was 260 million yuan, and there is an increase of 8%. The China (Jiangsu)—Chinese Medicine Center which was promoted and built by Hai’an Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Nijod Shifo clinic, and Uzbekistan-China Trade Association together has been highly praised by citizens of Uzbekistan.

Both parties hoped that by the event, they could increase economic and trade cooperation especially practical cooperation in fields such as textile, construction, and manufacturing industries, to achieve mutual beneficial development. Nan-

tong will encourage construction contractor companies to participate in international projects in Uzbekistan including infrastructure and building actively, and support new energy enterprises of Nantong such as wind power, photovoltaic and energy storage enterprises to invest in Uzbekistan.

At the event, Nantong, Kattakurgan city and Kattakurgan District of Samarkand Region, gave introductions and promotion of urban development respectively. Relevant representatives from Kewei Technology, Pengfei Group, and two Samarkand companies introduced the development conditions of their enterprises.

### Briefly

Free metro ride for those who come to work in Nantong for the first time

By Jiang Jiaojiao

Recently, ‘Jianghai Zhen Qing - Haotong card’ for new employees who come to Nantong is released. With the card, they can travel on the underground railway of Nantong for free.

The application time of ‘Jianghai Zhen Qing - Haotong card’: starting from 10th December 2023; application requirements: those who started to work in enterprises in the city the first time in 2023, and paid insurance for at least 1 month; usage period: 30 free trips on the underground railway (unlimited stations, unlimited mileage) within 6 months since the card is issued; application method: apply by Nantong Metro APP.

Rudong enterprises invested over 450 million U.S. dollars overseas in the past 10 years

By Xu Shuying

Since the start of this year, Rudong has been increasing the practical cooperation with ‘the Belt and Road’ joint building countries, focusing on the promotion of 8 ‘the Belt and Road’ projects. It has completed 12 million U.S. dollars overseas investment, and there is an increase of 92.55% compared with that of 2022. In the past 10 years, 22 Rudong enterprises have invested 56 projects overseas, and completed over 450 million U.S. dollars foreign direct investment.

As a leading enterprise of ‘the Belt and Road’ investment and cooperation in Rudong, Zhongtian Technology has founded offices in 54 countries and areas in the world.