

Nantong report

Delegation of Troisdorf, Germany visited Nantong

By Li Tong

On 15th April, Zhang Tong, Mayor of Nantong, met with Alexander Biber, Mayor of Troisdorf, and his party. Zhang Tong welcomed Mayor Alexander Biber and his party, on behalf of CPC Nantong Committee and Nantong government, and briefly introduced the economic and social development conditions of Nantong. She said that Nantong was an open city, and had close interactions in economy and trade with Germany. She hoped that both parties could make the visit a new start, deepen exchanges and cooperation in all aspects, and let Nantong become the first choice of more Germany invested and German enterprises which plan to do business in the Yangtze River delta.

Alexander Biber thanked Nantong for its care and support to German enterprises which have been developing in Nantong. He said that Troisdorf was one of the areas with most intensive technologies and talents in Europe. He hoped that by the visit, they could deepen exchange, and have close interactions, to build a 'bridge' of mutual trust, cooperation and mutual benefit.

‘Transnational Corporations Jiangsu Trip’ first event came to Nantong

By Li Tong

From 16th to 17th, ‘Transnational Corporations Jiangsu Trip’ first event came to Nantong. More than 30 senior executives of transnational corporations and representatives of overseas institutions in Jiangsu gathered together, to discuss about cooperation.

Up to now, more than 3800 foreign invested companies have gathered in Nantong. Among them, more than 100 companies were invested by Fortune Global 500 transnational corporations. The accumulated actual utilized foreign investment exceeded 50 billion U.S. dollars.

Suxitong Science and Technology Industrial Park and Upper Austria State of Austria signed a project cooperation framework agreement

By Wu Xiaoyun

On 18th April, Suxitong Science and Technology Industrial Park and industrial clusters of Upper Austria State of Austria signed a project co-operation framework agreement.

In March 2012, as the only official cooperation park between China and Austria, China-Austria Suxitong Eco-Park project settled in Suxitong Industrial Park officially. Under the China-Austria cooperation framework, the park has kept close cooperation with Upper Austria State of the Republic of Austria, and signed cooperation framework agreements with industrial clusters of Upper Austria two times in 2017 and 2023. Up to now, many Upper Austria enterprises including STIWA, Starlim, and Bader Automobile have settled in Suxitong Industrial Park. Upper Austria is one of the federal states of Austria. As the economic center and manufacturing highland of Austria, the industrial output and export share of the state are both more than one fourth of the total values of Austria. It has significant influence in Austria.

According to the agreement, the two parties will further carry out economic and cultural exchanges. In fields including modern manufacturing technology, automobile, renewable energy, energy efficiency, high-end service, and life sciences, they will give full play to their respective strengths, explore cooperation mechanisms, to realize resource sharing and complementary advantages, and promote the sustainable development and improvement of economy of the two places.

Experiencing intangible cultural heritage



On 16th April, an intangible cultural heritage research and learning experience activity was held at Nantong Wonderful Farm. International students from countries including Indonesia, Laos, and Pakistan experienced intangible cultural heritage projects such as sugar painting, tie-dye, and Yue Opera. Photo by Xu Congjun



38 Italian teachers and students travelled thousands of miles to Hai'an, to experience the beauty of the East——

‘Everything is so wonderful and magical!’



By Miao Fan and Zhou Ruimeng

‘Hai’an is really a beautiful city with a long history.’

14-year-old overseas Chinese student Chen Xinya’s ancestral home is Wenzhou, Zhejiang. When Chen Xinya’s grandfather was young, they went to work in Italy. Now, although the whole family stays overseas, ‘Chinese taste’ is deeply rooted and unforgettable. ‘Hai’an noodle can go with many ingredients. It’s just like what my grandparents cooked when I was a child.’ Chen Xinya said.

At the site of intangible cultural heritage experience, calligraphy, gourd pyrography, sachet, tie-dye, flower drum, dragon dance...guided by work-



ers, Wang Zechuan, an Italian young fellow, experienced almost all the projects. ‘My favourite one is gourd pyrography!’ Wang Zechuan presented his work to the reporter. He said, ‘here, everything is wonderful and magical!’

Wanzan, an Italian teacher said that the modernization level of Hai’an school surprised her, ‘the school is very large. In the past week, we conducted many teaching activities with teachers in Hai’an. I am going to bring the experiences learnt here back to Italy, and implement them in my teaching and work.’

In 2023, Hai’an High-tech Zone Experimental Primary School and

Scuola Internazionale Italo Cinese from Italy became sister schools. Scuola Internazionale Italo Cinese has worked on overseas Chinese education promotion in Italy, and education is a brilliant business card of Hai’an.

Li Xuemei, the principal of Scuola Internazionale Italo Cinese, said that the activity let them really feel the friendliness and hospitality of China, the land of ceremony and propriety, and refreshed the understanding and knowledge of China among Italian teachers, students and their parents who came to China for the first time.

‘Charming Haimen’ China-France Cultural Exchange Activity held

By Huang Tianling

Recently, ‘Charming Haimen’ China-France Cultural Exchange Activity was started at Changle Town, Haimen District.

More than 20 foreign friends from multiple countries including France, Italy and Morocco who are working, studying or living in places such as Shanghai and Nantong, and internet celebrities from places including Baoshan of Shang-

hai, Taicang, Chongming and Qidong, went to Haimen together, to experience the unique Jianghai culture of Haimen on the spot.

In the past few years, Haimen has had closer exchanges and cooperation with France in fields including culture and economy. In 2021, the project of ICCF, which is one of the founders of French high-end ready-to-wear, was signed and settled. In 2022, China Merchants Industry Haimen Base and GTT of France signed a patent cooperation agreement, and became another shipyard with the qualification to build large LNG ships in China.

Up to now, Haimen has realized economic and trade exchanges with more than 110 countries and areas. More than 700 foreign invested companies have settled down in Haimen. Every year, more than 3000 foreign friends come to Haimen to travel, work and live.

The first wind power service operations vessel built in Asia ‘Zhi Zhen 100’ completed its wind field effectiveness test

By Huang Hai

On 11th April, the first wind power service operations vessel built in Asia ‘Zhi Zhen 100’ completed its wind field effectiveness test.

‘Zhi Zhen 100’ was designed by Ulstein from Norway, and built by Zhenhua Heavy Industries. The project is an offshore SOV(wind power service operations vessel) which integrates efficient, green, intelligent and safe operation and maintenance. It can do workers and equipment transport and wind farm maintenance work under severe sea conditions.