

# Nantong report

## Nantong held the Shipbuilding and Offshore Engineering Industry Cooperation and Exchange Conference in Germany

By Liu Lu and Wu Xiaoyun

Recently, China Nantong-Germany Shipbuilding and Offshore Engineering Industry Cooperation and Exchange Conference was held at Hamburg, Germany during the 2024 Global Maritime Exhibition.

Up to now, Germany has founded 102 foreign-invested enterprises in Nantong. A batch of world-class companies such as Merck, BASF, Symrise, and Bayer have invested, settled, and developed prosperously in Nantong.

At the on-site communication session, senior executives from 4 enterprises delivered speeches in turn. The sales director of Strahman expressed a strong willingness to cooperate with Nantong in the field of clean energy. The marketing director

of Berthold Technologies said that they would further deepen the international cooperation with Nantong enterprises such as Masada Heavy Industries in research, development and design field. The director of Global Maritime Business of Bachmann Electronic who had visited Nantong before, was impressed by Nantong's economic and social development achievements and the deep foundation of its shipbuilding and offshore engineering industry. He looked forward to strengthening cooperation with Nantong in automated navigation. Nantong Liwei Machinery Co., Ltd. is one of the leading companies in offshore equipment field in Nantong. The person in charge of the company shared the journey of leveraging the efficient services provided by Nantong government to achieve rapid expansion and sustainable growth.



## Overseas warehouses help Nantong home textiles go global

By Huang Tianling

Recently, Nantong Cross-border E-commerce Selection Exhibition concluded. As one of the participating companies, Jiangsu Dieshiqiao Home Textile Industry Group Co., Ltd. attracted a lot of attention with its Dieshiqiao (German) overseas warehouse project.

'Our overseas warehouse is located at Düsseldorf, Nordrhein-Westfalen, in western Germany. It is close to important European ports including Port of Amsterdam in Netherlands and Port of Antwerp in Belgium. It allows us to deliver goods to any country in Europe within 72 hours.' Daniel, the overseas operations specialist of Dieshiqiao Home Textile Industry Group introduced,

'the system of overseas warehouse provides a standard interface, which can seamlessly connect with major international e-commerce platforms and logistics companies such as Amazon, and meet the needs of different customers.'

The establishment of the overseas warehouse makes it possible to respond to local sales orders, sort, pack and deliver directly from the warehouse. It not only increases the types of products and saves cost, but also reduces intermediate links and realizes local sales and delivery. 'Dieshiqiao (German) overseas warehouse is our first trial warehouse. Since it opened last year, the entire storage area has reached 100% utilization capacity.' Jia Changwu, the general manager of Jiangsu Dieshiqiao International Trade Co., Ltd. said.

## 'Nantong Export Brand Overseas Tour' South Africa Station opened

By Wu Xiaoyun

On 10th September, the 6th China Premium Textile (South Africa) & All-fashion Sourcing Cape Town opened at Cape Town International Convention Center. At the expo, 10 Nantong companies participated. The exhibits cover clothing, home textiles, fabrics, bags and suitcases, shoes, etc.

The exhibition was founded jointly by the Sub-Council of Textile Industry,

CCPIT and Messe Frankfurt South Africa in 2016. It has become the largest local international textile and clothing purchasing platform. The exhibition attracted over 100 textile and clothing companies from China and Southern Africa to participate. Among them, there are 18 Jiangsu enterprises, with a total of 23 booths. The number of Nantong enterprises and their booths exceeded half of the total number of Jiangsu.

## China (Jiangsu) medical team to Guyana and Malta set out on 20th September

By Zhu Yingliang

On 11th September, Nantong Health Commission held a departure ceremony for the 20th China (Jiangsu) medical team to Guyana and Malta. 19 members of the foreign aid medical team from Nantong First People's Hospital, Nantong Second People's Hospital, Nantong Hospital of Traditional Chinese Medicine,

and Nantong Health College of Jiangsu Province, set out from Nantong on 20th September to Guyana and Malta for a one-year foreign medical aid mission, providing medical services and helping in improving local medical and health level.

Since 1966, Nantong has sent 45 people to complete the foreign aid medical missions to countries including Zanzibar, Malta, and Guyana.

## 2024 National Advanced Manufacturing Cluster of High-tech Ships and Marine Engineering Equipment (Nantong) Development Conference held

By Li Tong

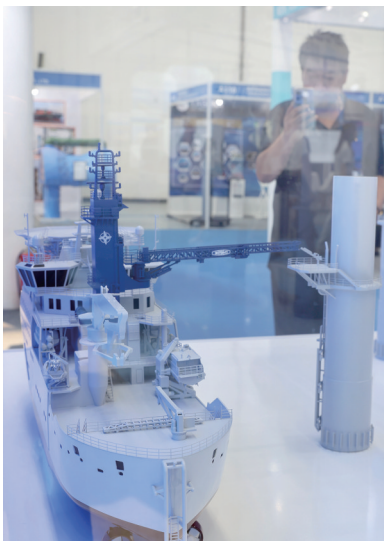
On 12th September, 2024 National Advanced Manufacturing Cluster of High-tech Ships and Marine Engineering Equipment (Nantong) Development Conference opened at Nantong International Conference Center.

Zhang Tong, Deputy Party Secretary and Mayor of Nantong, said that shipbuilding and marine engineering industry is the name card and industrial landmark of Nantong. Nantong will focus on promoting the integrated development of the entire marine economy, advance the shipbuilding and marine engineering industry towards high-end, green, intelligent, and internationalized development, support enterprises in developing high-performance, high-tech and high-value products, striving to build a world-class shipbuilding and marine engineering industrial



cluster.

Anu Vuori-Kiikeri, Consul General of Finland in Shanghai, said in her speech that Finland has a long and proud history of high-quality shipbuilding industry. Ships built are famous for their durability and reliability. The 10 companies which participated in the Finland exhibition represent the best expertise and technology in shipbuilding, marine equipment and relevant service areas. All of them have settled in China for years, established good cooperation



partner relationships in China, and achieved many successful cases.

The expo lasted 3 days, comprehensively presenting the development achievements of Nantong's shipbuilding and marine engineering industry. Over 400 enterprises participated.

## Foreign friends are optimistic about Nantong's shipbuilding and marine engineering industry

By Liu Lu and Yan Chunhua



Recently, guests from 11 countries and regions including Finland, Netherlands, France, Denmark, Austria, and Italy gathered in Nantong, to understand in-depth the development conditions of Nantong's shipbuilding and marine engineering industry, hoping to carry out in-depth cooperation with Nantong.

Finland is located in Northern Europe and has a long coastline and many lakes. Since ancient times, it has been closely associated with the ocean and water transportation. The event attracted more than 10 enterprises including Visual Components, T-Drill, GS-Hydro, KONE Elevator, Helkama Cable, Valmet, Marioff, Norsepower, Switch, and Vaisala to participate.

'Nantong has strong strength in

shipbuilding and marine engineering. The prosperous industrial status is impressive. Large shipbuilding companies such as COSCO and China Merchants Group all have bases in Nantong. The Finnish companies which participated this time hope that they can have deeper cooperation with Nantong shipbuilding and marine engineering companies.' Marco Ruotsalainen, Chairman of Finnish Marine Industries Federation in China, said.

'China and Denmark have extensive cooperation in green cooperation field.' Mikael Hemniti Winther, Consul General of Denmark in Shanghai, introduced that the marine industry plays a very important role in the Danish economic development, contributing about 10% of the GDP of Denmark. The export accounts for 17%.

'Shipbuilding and marine engineering industry is the industrial name card of Nantong. A few Danish companies have ordered products such as offshore wind turbine installation vessels and LNG ships in Nantong.' He hoped that through this event, a platform for exchange could be built, to promote more cooperation between Danish companies and Nantong companies for mutual benefits.