

Nantong report

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By Wu Xiaoyun

From 7th to 9th May, the delegation of the Agricultural Counsellor of the European Union visited Nantong.

Nantong and the European Union’s economic and trade ties are becoming increasingly closer and fruitful. According to statistics from the Customs, in 2024, Nantong’s total import and export value with the European Union reached 51.6 billion yuan, which accounted for 13% of the total foreign trade value of Nantong. In the first quarter of this year, Nantong’s total import and export value with the European Union is

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Up to now, EU enterprises have invested in 493 projects in Nantong and the actual use of foreign capital is 1.49 billion U.S. dollars, covering industries such as shipbuilding, offshore engineering, auto parts, and biomedicine. In agriculture field, in 2024, Nantong’s agricultural product imports and exports to the EU reached 2.16 billion yuan. Among them, exports of high-quality aquatic products and organic vegetables have grown significantly. EU’s dairy products, wine, pharmaceutical raw materials, etc. have also entered the Chinese market through the Nantong port of entry.

The registered capital of Elleair’s high-end household goods project increased by 27 million U.S. dollars

By Si Zhanwei

On 29th April, the signing ceremony of Elleair high-end household goods capital increase project was held in Nantong Economic & Technological Development Area.

Daio Paper Corporation was founded in 1943. It is one of Japan’s comprehensive paper manufacturing groups. In 2012, it invested in and established Elleair International China (Nantong) Co., Ltd. Its products including baby diapers and feminine sanitary products have won a broad domestic and international market with their excellent quality. Since it was founded, the company has increased capital and expanded production several times. The previous total investment amounted to 460 million U.S. dollars, with a registered capital of 160 million U.S. dollars.

Close interaction



On 2nd May, tourists were interacting with ring-tailed lemurs at Nantong Forest Safari Park.Photo by Xu Peiqin

7 first stores opened in Nantong CBD business district

By Wu Xiaoyun

On 1st May, Nantong CBD business district underwent a brand upgrade. 7 first stores such as Freshippo NB and Xiaomi Auto Fusion Store were unveiled, which brought a new consumption experience to citizens.

These brands have their respective features, covering different business formats. For example, Freshippo NB positions itself as ‘a good neighbour to the community’, offering a curated selection of over 3,000 high cost-performance products. Xiaomi Auto Fusion Store innovates ‘technology + travel’ experience. Ameigo brings authentic Yunnan, Guizhou and Sichuan delicacies. This is to meet the different needs of customers.

As one of the four core business districts of Nantong, CBD business district includes multiple commercial complexes such as CBD Dayoujing, Nantong Caihongyang, and Nantong Sports Conference & Exhibition Center.

Tongzhou Bay enterprise won the ‘Oscar’ of global green building Nantong industrial plant won LEED Platinum for the first time

By Wu Xiaoyun

Recently, as the certificate of the U.S. Green Building Council was officially awarded, Jiangsu Situ Global Fixture Co., Ltd. located in Tongzhou Bay Demonstration Zone won LEED Platinum with outstanding environmental protection performances, which filled the gap of Nantong industrial plants in the highest level of global green certification system. The certification marked an important breakthrough of Tongzhou Bay Demonstration Zone in green smart manufacturing field.

LEED certification, which is honored as the ‘Oscar’ of green building, has established strict evaluation standards in seven major dimensions including sustainable places, water resource usage, and energy environment. Data shows that only 8% of the certified plant projects in the world has reached the platinum level.

This time, Jiangsu Situ Global Fixture not only was shortlisted in the top 8% of the projects in the world with its comprehensive score, and became the first plant with Platinum certification, but also set new benchmarks in key indicators: the water-saving system of the plant achieved a water-saving efficiency of 59.23%, far exceeding the industry standard; the electricity saving rate is 32.37%, and the annual carbon dioxide emissions are reduced by 925 tons; the waste recycling rate is as high as 81.9%.

Briefly

Nantong player Shi Yuqi contributed the second point



By Wang Quanli

On 4th May, at Xiamen Phoenix Stadium, the China team beat the rival the South Korea team 3:1, and won the championship of the Sudirman Cup World Mixed Team Badminton for the fourth consecutive time and the 14th time in history.

Among them, Nantong player Shi Yuqi defeated the South Korean player Jeon Hyeok-jin 2:0 in just 33 minutes, which won the second point for the national badminton team in this Sudirman Cup final.

Richard Clayderman Piano Concert will be held in Nantong on 20th July

By Yang Zhenxiao

Forever love — Richard Clayderman Piano Concert will be held at the opera house of Nantong Theatre on 20th July.

In this concert, Richard Clayderman will bring *Ballade pour Adeline*, *A Comme Amour*, *Mariage d’Amour*, *Lyphard Melody*, etc.

Apart from that, familiar movie theme songs, such as *Star Wars*, *Pirates of the Caribbean*, *Les Choristes*, and *Titanic Medley* will be re-interpreted.

After self-declaration, you can now take pets abroad

By Wu Xiaoyun

On 29th April, a small white Pomeranian successfully passed the document verification and clinical examination of Nantong Customs, successfully obtained the *Animal Health Certificate*, and will soon go abroad with its owner.

The owner of the Pomeranian is a Filipino practitioner in Nantong. He submitted the application online through ‘Outbound Pet Quarantine’ module of the General Administration of Customs, and made an appointment for on-site quarantine. Nantong Customs staff efficiently completed all quarantine and certification procedures. The owner of the Pomeranian said, ‘I have worked in Nantong for 8 years. Every year I go home for vacation. The new system is very convenient. Nantong Customs provided efficient and professional service, which helped me complete the entire process smoothly. I am very grateful!’

The General Administration of Customs started to promote ‘Outbound Pet Quarantine’ function module nationwide on 10th April 2025. The function module was designed to meet the quarantine requirements for individuals and corporate users taking pets out of the country. Through ‘internet+Customs’ or a single window, the entire process can be done online. People can fill in the information of the applicant and the pet online, and submit relevant documents to complete the quarantine application. You can also check the progress of the application in real time.

