

# Nantong report

## Andreas, Chairman of the Board of Siegfried Holding AG, visited Nantong

By Zhu Wenjun

On 4th July, Wu Xinming, Secretary of CPC Nantong Committee, met with Andreas, and other members of the board of directors of Siegfried Holding AG from Switzerland.

Wu Xinming welcomed the arrival of Andreas and the delegation. After briefly introducing the history of Nantong city and the condition of its economic and social development, he said that Nantong is located by the Yangtze River and the sea, adjacent to Shanghai. The integration between Nantong, Shanghai and Southern Jiangsu is becoming increasingly prominent. 'Choosing Nantong means choosing Shanghai' has become the consensus of more and more investors. As a globally renowned pharmaceutical company, Siegfried Holding

is highly consistent with Nantong's goal of building a modern industrial system. He hoped that the enterprise could increase its investment in Nantong, and attract more high-quality projects to settle down. Nantong will continue to create first-class business environment, to ensure the enterprises' development and expansion in Nantong with better services.

Andreas thanked Nantong CPC Committee and the municipal government for the consistent support for the development of Siegfried (Nantong) base. He said that the Nantong base is an important part of the group's global strategic layout. They will continue to deepen the roots in Nantong, leverage the advantages and industrial influence, introduce more high-capacity, high-value-added products, to contribute greater to Nantong's high-quality development.

## Founder and Chief Research Officer of Hurun Group Rupert Hoogewerf came to Nantong to watch the 'Jiangsu Football City League'

By Shen Jiaying

On 5th July, 'Jiangsu Football City League' Nantong VS Xuzhou match was held as scheduled. The evening breeze by Zilang Lake in Nantong Innovation District attracted tens of thousands of citizens to Hushan Square, to cheer for the Nantong team. Among them, there were many well-known entrepreneurs, chambers of commerce members and foreign friends.

Rupert Hoogewerf, Founder and Chief Research Officer of Hurun Group, wearing a baseball cap with the words 'competition first, friendship fourteenth', recorded the bustling scene with a mobile phone while walking. He said that as a British football fan, he often followed international events such as the World Cup

and the European Cup. However, when he came to Zilang Lake, he got to know how popular the 'Jiangsu Football City League' is. He saw tens of thousands of people cheering for Nantong, and the atmosphere was great.

In November 2024, *Nantong Zilang Lake · Hurun China Under35s 2024* was published. It let Rupert Hoogewerf have a deeper understanding of Nantong Innovation District which is rapidly developing. 'More than 20 years ago, I came to Nantong for the first time. Compared with the fourth time now, I can see great changes.' In terms of business, competitions like 'Jiangsu Football City League' not only can stimulate emotions, but also can stimulate consumption. It is very helpful for the long-term development of the Innovation District and Nantong.

## Rush to fulfil orders



On 8th July, in the production workshop of Weida Plastics Industry (Nantong) Co.,Ltd. in Rugao Economic and Technological Development Zone, workers were rushing to fulfill orders for plastic fitness products to be exported to the European and American markets.Photo by Wu Shujuan

## The 2nd Oh! Castle Festival in Topu officially opened



'Play, is the true essence of fun.' Wang Jieping, the executive chairman of the art committee of Oh! Castle Festival in Topu, said.

By Huang Tianling

On 11th July, in the name of 'play', the 2nd Oh! Castle Festival in Topu opened in Haimen. The main image of the art festival is the circus tent. It carried out a playful and hilarious journey with an international per-



spective.

'Play, is the true essence of fun.' Wang Jieping, the executive chairman of the art committee of Oh! Castle Festival in Topu, said, 'whether it is the audience or the artist, I hope everyone can freely express themselves with joy on this land, communicate more deeply,

make more friends and enjoy more wonderful works.'

The exhibition and performance section brought together more than 30 theatre troupes from 10 countries and regions including China, France, Armenia, Hungary, Switzerland, Belgium, Bulgaria, Israel and Brazil.

### Briefly

Qidong will hold an offshore fireworks competition in August

By Huang Hai

From 2nd to 3rd August, Yangtze River Delta (Qidong) Six-Country Offshore Fireworks Competition will be held at Yuantuoji-ao Tourist Resort. 6 world's top fireworks teams from Italy, Brazil, Russia, Australia, France and Thailand will appear together.

The total investment of the event is nearly 30 million yuan. All the fireworks will be launched at sea from floating platforms and ships. The length of the fireworks display on the sea will be over 800 meters. The total number of fireworks will be nearly 150,000. There will also be 5,000 drones carrying fireworks descending from the sky.

## Nantong Pilot Station rapidly responded to emergency coordination Saved a foreign crew member's life in 50 minutes



By Peng Junjun

On 7th July, a life-saving rescue operation was carried out in the Baoshan waters of the Yangtze River estuary. Nantong Pilot Station rapidly responded and urgently coordinated, successfully assisted a foreign ship in the emergency transfer and treatment of a foreign crew member who suddenly fell seriously ill in 50 minutes.

At 6 am on the day, Wang Jian, a Grade One Pilot of Nantong Pilot Station, got on the Liberian ship 'MV RADIANT RAY', to pilot it from Nantong to Shanghai. At 9:25 am, when the ship just entered Shanghai Baoshan waters, the captain urgently reported to Wang Jian: the third mate on the ship suddenly fell ill and was in unbearable pain. He was gradually losing consciousness. The situation was ex-

tremely critical and he needed emergency treatment urgently.

Faced with the sudden condition, Wang Jian stayed calm. He reported the issue to Nantong Pilot Station as soon as possible. The Pilot Station immediately initiated an emergency response and instructed the pilot to report to the maritime administration agency in the relevant waters immediately. At the same time, he instructed the ship to use onboard medical equipment to monitor the blood pressure, blood oxygen and other key vital signs of the sick crew member in real time; and simultaneously report any emergencies to the General Dispatching Office of the Yangtze River Pilotage Center. It also urgently contacted the ship's agent to coordinate medical rescue forces on shore and subsequent matters. The series of orders were clear and decisive, which

won a valuable advantage for the rescue.

To minimize the transfer time, the rescue plan was determined to be the extremely challenging 'on voyage transfer'. At 9:45, the transfer operation started. However, influenced by typhoon outer circulation, the waters where the incident occurred were turbulent, and the risk of the coast guard boat and the huge cargo ship collision in the dynamic voyage increased sharply. With strong professional judgement, after Wang Jian fully communicated with the Baoshan Maritime Department, he decisively commanded ship 'MV RADIANT RAY' to leave the main channel and temporarily anchor in the outer waters to complete the patient transfer in a static state. At 10:05, the giant ship safely anchored.

The moment the ship anchored,

Wang Jian rapidly went to the main deck, and voluntarily worked as the 'on-site commander' during the transfer. He calmly directed the crew to use a stretcher to properly secure the unconscious sick crew member, accurately observed the on-site environment, and fully and accurately conveyed the intentions and operational requirements of both parties. At 10:15, precisely coordinated by Wang Jian, it took only a few moments to transfer the sick crew member safely to the patrol boat.

A life relay across the ship and the shore was completed efficiently with the close cooperation of multiple parties. It took only 50 minutes from the discovery of the danger to the safe arrival on shore! At about 11 o'clock in the morning of the same day, the hospital sent news that the crew member had been properly treated and his condition was stable.