

### **CIECA Newsletter**

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#### **Monthly Event Summary**

# CIECA Attended the 113<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Festival Gathering of Industrial and Commercial Groups

CIECA attended the 113<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Festival Gathering of Industrial and Commercial Groups on February 27, 2024. This Spring Festival Gathering was jointly organized by eight major industrial and commercial groups. Due to the disruption of the gathering by COVID-19 pandemic, it was resumed after a four-year hiatus. President Tsai Ing-Wen, many political dignitaries and business representatives were invited, and the seats were fully packed.

During the event, Mr. Thomas T. L. Wu, Chairman of CNAIC, appreciated the government for its various epidemic prevention measures and ensuing appropriate economic revitalization policies to have made Taiwan's

economy continue to grow in the past four years. On behalf of the business community, Chairman Wu also put forward "four expectations": Firstly, he hopes that Taiwan will become a world-class AI center by leveraging its semiconductor advantages. Secondly, with the sustainable trend of promoting global net-zero carbon emissions, we hope that Taiwan can develop a new green economy. Thirdly, we hope the government to promote a financial system reform, making Taiwan an asset management center in Asia. Finally, under the wave of supply chain restructuring, we hope that the government will plan more forward-looking industrial policies, actively maintain stability in the Taiwan Strait, promote the resumption of practical exchanges and dialogues between Taiwan and China, continue to participate in international organizations, and promote the negotiation and signing of trade, taxation, and other agreements with various trading partners.

In her speech, President Tsai Ing-Wen first thanked the senior industrialists for providing many valuable suggestions in the communication process of policymaking over the past eight years. President Tsai mentioned that net-zero transformation and AI development are the focus of future development; the government will take a multi-pronged approach, through developing core technologies and cultivating talents, to fulfill the objectives. "In addition to helping companies seize the business opportunities for AI development, the upcoming new government will also continue to promote the development of green energy," said the President. In response to Chairman Wu's expectations, President Tsai said that she would make a list of them as a handover matter to the new government and do her best to have the government transferring run smoothly. She believed that the business community and the government would work side by side to reach another peak of Taiwan's economy.



A group photo for President Tsai Ing-Wen (left 5) and the leaders of eight major industrial and commercial groups.

#### CIECA Was Invited to Attend in Taipei the "Seminar on Semiconductor Investment Opportunities in the Czech Republic"

CIECA was invited to attend the "Seminar on Semiconductor Investment Opportunities in the Czech Republic," which was co-hosted by the Czech Economic and Cultural Office in Taipei and Taiwan Eastbound Alliance-Landing America on February 1, 2024. Representatives from the CzechInvestment came to Taiwan to make a presentation on the investment environment, investment incentives, and semiconductor industry supply chain in the Czech Republic. Deputy Foreign Minister Kelly Wu-Chiao Hsieh; Deputy Economic Minister Chern-Chyi Chen; Mr. Eric Jiun-Yaw Huang, Director General, Department of European Affairs, MOFA; and Mr. Vincent Huang, Taiwan Chamber of Commerce in the Czech Republic were invited to attend this event as the VIP guests. More than a hundred representatives attended the seminar.



A group photo for VIP guests: Deputy Foreign Minister Kelly Wu-Chiao Hsieh (Front right 3); Deputy Economic Minister Chern-Chyi Chen (Front right 2); Mr. Eric Jiun-Yaw Huang, Director General, Department of European Affairs, MOFA (rear right 5); and Mr. Vincent Huang, Taiwan Chamber of Commerce in the Czech Republic (Front left 3).

Dr. Eric Fan, an Expert from Taiwan Institute of Economic Research Analyzed "Taiwan's Startup Ecosystem and Early Investment Trends" in CIECA

On February 20, 2024, CIECA invited Dr. Eric Fan, Deputy Director of Re-

search Division VI, Taiwan Institute of Economic Research, to make a presentation at the meeting on "Taiwan's Startup Ecosystem and Early Investment Trends," for sharing the development and policies of Taiwan's new startup industries. Mr. Fan also briefed CIECA staff on Taiwan's new startup companies to help them understand the trends in Taiwan's new startup industry.



A group photo from left to right: Dr. Eric Fan, Associate Research Fellow Deputy Director, Research Division VI, Taiwan Institute of Economic Research; Mr. Frank Wu, Secretary General of CIECA.

The 28<sup>th</sup> Assembly of Chinese Professional Management Association Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Extraordinary General Meeting

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Extraordinary General Meeting of the 28th Assembly of the Chi-

nese Professional Management Association was held on February 20, 2024. Chairman Luo Daxian welcomed everyone attending the New Year Greetings Ceremony and wished all attendees a happy New Year with peace and prosperity! "The 3rd Extraordinary General Meeting of the 28th Assembly was held to discuss amendment to the Charter of the Association in response to the government requirement," Chairman Luo Then Secretary-General furthered. Xu Jisheng said that the main purpose of this extraordinary general meeting was to invite members of the association to amend the articles of association's Charter and adopt resolutions to approve them. Since the association had applied to the Taipei District for a legal person registra-Court tion change, it was suggested by the Taipei District Court and the Ministry of the Interior that the association's articles should be accordingly revised. To ensure the legitimacy of the association, the articles of association, thus, had to be amended as soon as possible. The participants had full discussion on the amendments and

afterward approved them unanimously.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Extraordinary General Meeting of the 28<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the Chinese Professional Management Association was held on February 20, 2024. Secretary-General Xu Jisheng reported on the key amendments of the Association's Charter.

#### **Upcoming Events of CIECA**

The 11<sup>th</sup> Taiwan-Türkiye Joint Business Council Meeting Will be Held on March 20

Mr. Necmettin Uzun, Chairman of Türkiye-Taiwan Business Council, Foreign Economic Relations Board of Türkiye, DEIK, will lead a nine-member business delegation to visit Taiwan in March this year. The members are all from leading companies in Turkiye's smart industry, including NETELSAN (a leader in smart home equipment), ANKAREF

(a major information and communications company), and OPTIMAK STU (an automation equipment manufacturer).

To promote bilateral economic and trade exchanges and cooperation between Taiwan and Türkiye, CIECA and DEIK will hold "The 11th Taiwan-Türkiye Joint Business Council Meeting" at 9:00 a.m. at the Taipei International Convention Center on March 20, 2024. The Meeting will focus on "Smart City," "Smart Buildings," and "Smart Factory." Relevant businessmen from Taiwan and Türkiye will be invited to attend this event. During the meeting, two sides will conduct in-depth discussions on industry prospects and have business interactions. In addition to the DEIK enterprise group, the Meeting will also invite Turkish startups recommended by the Ministry of Environment, Urban Planning, and Climate Change (MoEUCC) to participate in the Smart City Exhibition and exchanged views with Taiwanese counterparts. This is a rare opportunity, so please register on CIECA's website before March 14.

## The 20<sup>th</sup> Joint Meeting between CIECA and MNCCI Will be Held on March 20

CIECA and Mongolian **National** Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MNCCI) will hold "the 20th Joint between CIECA Meeting MNCCI" at 9:30 a.m. at the Taipei International Convention Center on March 20, 2024. The Meeting will focus on "Medicine or Medical Device," "Food Processing," "Tourism," and "Building Materials." Experts from Taiwan and Mongolia will be invited to exchange views. B2B will be held after the Meeting. Industrialists are welcome to sign up to explore business opportunities for bilateral cooperation, please register on CIE-CA's website by March 13.

### **Hungarian Delegation Networking Reception to Be Held on March 19**

Hungary's Center of Sustainable Communities (CSC) is invited to organize a 13-member business group with a total of 10 manufacturers coming to Taiwan to participate in the "2024 Smart City & 2050 Net Zero City Expo" in March this year.

To promote the exchange of business opportunities between Taiwan and Hungary, CIECA is cooperating with the Taiwan Green Energy Association, Taipei Computer Association, Hungarian Trade Office in Taipei, and JJP architects & planners to hold the "Hungarian Delegation Networking Reception" at 4th floor of Nangang International Exhibition Center, Hall 2 at 2 p.m. on March 19. During the reception, JJP will share Taiwan's smart low-carbon building cases; relevant businessmen from Taiwan and Hungary will be invited to exchange views. Industrialists are welcome to sign up at CIECA's website before March 13, or contact the person in charge of this case, Ms. Li, at 02-25288833 extension 29 or email: deyunli@cieca.org.tw.

#### A Taiwan Economic and Trade Delegation Will Visit Lithuanian in May

As Taiwan and Lithuanian have established representative offices in each other's capital, the economic and trade relations between the two countries continue to flourish. To further promote cooperation between Taiwan and Lithuanian, CIECA and World Taiwan Business Federation will jointly organize an economic and trade investment mission to Lithuania from May 13 to 19, 2024, to carry out a series of business exchanges. We sincerely welcome enterprises to participate in this mission and explore business opportunities together.

During the trip, CIECA and ALCCIC will co-host "the 2<sup>nd</sup> Taiwan- Lithuania Joint Business Council Meeting." The Meeting will focus on "Baltic **Business** Market Opportunities," "Technological Cooperation and Innovation," "Transnational Supply Chains and Production Bases," and "Smart City." We will conduct an in-depth discussion on how Taiwanese companies to expand opportunities in the Baltic market to strengthen technological cooperation and innovation and improve the stability of the supply chain. The delegation will visit relevant local companies and institutions in Lithuania and exchanges views with them.

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