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Chengdu International Railway Port Economic Development Zone Officially Established

On August 21st, Sichuan Province established the Chengdu International Railway Port Economic Development Zone. It has a planned area of 12.24 square kilometers, including three industrial function sub-zones: Qingbaijiang International Railway Port, Qingbaijiang European Industrial City and Huaizhou New City. Relying on Chengdu International Railway Port, the economic development zone targets EU market, builds port manufacturing, advanced materials and international trade logistics industrial chain, and fosters industrial clusters that integrate R&D, design, production, manufacturing, operation and service with global competitive advantages.

• Cumulative Number of China-Europe Railway Express (Chengdu) Freight Trains Exceeded 6,000

On August 26th, the China-Europe Railway Express (Chengdu) made the 6000th trip. Since its launch in 2013, the China-Europe Railway Express (Chengdu) has led the country for four consecutive years. The first advantage is the optimal transportation network. Chengdu international freight train network and global land and sea freight distribution system have been set up initially, with Chengdu as the main hub, west to Europe, north to Mongolia and Russia, east connection with Japan and South Korea, and south extension to ASEAN. 7 international railway passages and 6 international railway and sea joint transport passages continue to expand, connecting 55 overseas cities and 16 domestic cities, with average monthly trips of about 900 freight trains. The second advantage is the best transportation quality. The time from Chengdu to Lodz, Poland has been shortened to 10 days, about 4 days less than other 7 starting cities of the China-Europe Railway Express, and the operational efficiency has been continuously improved. The 7×24-hour scheduled customs clearance service has been fully implemented, and the export customs clearance time has been reduced by 1/3. The third advantage is the best industrial integration. Since its launch, the China-Europe Railway Express (Chengdu) has transported nearly 200 billion yuan worth of goods, meeting the transportation needs of Sichuan's electronic information, automotive vehicles, smart home appliances and bio-medical industries continually. The sources of the

freight trains mainly include TCL, Lenovo, Dell, Geely, Volvo, BMW and other manufacturing products, among which local sources account for 65.7%. At present, the growth rate of Sichuan's trade with Europe and Asia is triple to quadruple the national average.

• Sichuan Province Held This Year's First Matchmaking Conference for Foreign-related Investment and Cooperation

On August 27th, the "Sichuan-Finland Business Cooperation Matchmaking Conference" was successfully held in Chengdu. As one of a series of commemorative events for the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relationship between China and Finland, this conference gathered 55 well-known enterprises from Sichuan and Finland. In recent years, Sichuan has extensively expanded overseas investment promotion channels and established a normalized communication bridge for overseas industry investment promotion. The cooperation between Sichuan and Finland has continued to heat up. Well-known Finnish companies such as Nokia and Lappset Group have invested in Sichuan. From January to July this year, Sichuan and Finland achieved 283 million yuan in imports and exports of goods, with an increase of 68.62%. Up to now, Sichuan has successively held 8 matchmaking activities for investment promotion by country and industry, and more than 20 projects with cooperation intention are under negotiation.

• Sichuan Province's Private Economy Stabilizes and

Grows

In the first half of this year, Sichuan Province achieved an added value of 1.2 trillion yuan in private economy, accounting for 54.1% of GDP, with an increase of 0.8 percentage point from the first quarter; private investment grew by 4.7%, with an increase of 8.6 percentage points from the first quarter. As of the end of June, Sichuan province has reduced taxes and fees of 38.54 billion yuan for enterprises in total, and Sichuan's private economic loan balance is 1.5 trillion yuan, up 9.8% year-on-year. The social security policy has reduced the burden by 22.5 billion yuan in total, and 2.78 billion yuan was released to stabilize jobs. Since the resumption of interprovincial team tours on July 15th, it has received 34,500 intraprovincial tour teams and 876,700 travelers.

• Chengdu Built China's First Convention and Exhibition New Economic Industrial Park

On August 18th, China's first Chengdu Convention and Exhibition New Economy Industrial Park was officially inaugurated. By building an ecological chain of "conference + industrial park", the industrial park provides whole chain services such as "video, audiovisual, short video, live broadcasts, convention and exhibition event planning, talent cultivation skill improvement, business incubation, and IP creation", explores the new economic development potential for convention and exhibition, and forms a "Chengdu Model" by integrating "new services, new scenarios, new products, new consumption and 5G commercial applications".

• China's First Blockchain Intellectual Property Base Settled in Chengdu

On August 27, the Intellectual Property Publishing House of the State Intellectual Property Office and Sichuan Digital Publishing and Media Co., Ltd. formally signed agreement to jointly build China's first "blockchain intellectual property base" in Chengdu High-tech Zone. Relying on their respective advantageous resources, the two parties will focus on the frontiers of intellectual property, carry out comprehensive cooperation on intellectual property creation, protection, trading, capitalization and securitization, and promote the base to become China's largest intellectual property asset aggregation and trading place.

• Southwest Base of New Third Board Unveiled in Tianfu New District

On August 28th, the opening ceremony of the Southwest Base of the New Third Board cum the corporate listing training meeting was held in the New Economic Industrial Park of Tianfu New District. After the base is put into operation, Chengdu will become the only city in Western China with regional service bases of all three major national trading houses: Shanghai Stock Exchange, Shenzhen Stock Exchange and New Third Board, which will accelerate the construction of the national western financial center with international influence and regional driving force.

• Sichuan Released 139 Innovative Projects that Integrate Digital Economy and Real Economy

On August 25th, the China Big Data Application and Practice Summit was held in Chengdu, and Sichuan's 139 innovative projects that integrate digital economy and real economy were officially released, including 51 in big data, 8 in cloud computing, 34 in artificial intelligence, 6 in blockchain, 7 in AR/VR, 22 in industrial internet platform, 7 in industrial APP, and 4 in 5G.

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