

Luxembourg: Open for business

CHINA VISITS LUXEMBOURG



Chinese delegation at the Chamber of Commerce

The Chinese deputy prime minister Zeng Peiyan was in Luxembourg from 21 to 23 January, when he met the Crown Prince, prime minister Jean-Claude Juncker, foreign minister Jean Asselborn as well as treasury and budget minister Luc Frieden. He and his officials also attended a lunch hosted by economy and foreign trade minister Jeannot Krecké, allowing local managers the chance to meet key members of the Chinese administration. A highlight was the presentation by ArcelorMittal chairman and CEO Lakshmi Mittal on his group's strategy for China.

The Chinese delegation also visited the Chamber of Commerce, meeting the director Pierre Gramegna and the head of the LuxembourgforFinance agency Fernand Grulms who explained the financial sector's specialisations.

Upcoming events

Mars

- 3-7: Official multi-sectoral mission to China (Bejing, Shanghai) and Hong Kong
- Collective stand at the Horecatel fair in Marche-en-Famenne (B)
- Collective stand at the MIPIM fair in Cannes (F)
- Participation at the Come2Graz fair in Graz (A)
- Collective stand at the Innovact fair in Reims (F)
- 29/3-6/4 Official multi-sectoral mission to Argentine (Buenos Aires) and Brazil (Sao Paulo, Porto Allegre / Belo Horizonte)

April

- 1-4: Collective stand at the Mosbuild fair in Moscow (Russia)
- 15-17: State visit to Sweden (Stockholm, Linköpping)
- 15-18: Economic mission to Taiwan (Taipei)
- 20-25: Economic mission to Russia (Krasnojarsk, Ekaterinburg, Chelyabinsk)
- 21-25: Collective stand at the Hannover Messe (D)
- 21-25: b2fair Matchmaking Event at Hannover Messe (D)
- · Official mission to Libya (Tripoli)

May

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All information regarding up-coming events is available from the International

- Accompanied visit to "Rebuild Iraq 2008" fair in Amman (Jordan)
- 20-22: International cooperation fair Futuralia in Quebec (Canada)
- 24/5-1-6: Chamber of Commerce stand a the Spring Fair (L)
- May Accompanied visit to "IFAT" in Munich (D)
- End May Maritime economic mission to Athens (EL)



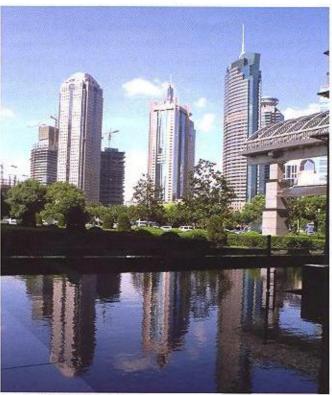


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There was also time to make preparations for Luxembourg's official visit to China and Hong Kong, planned for 2-7 March. This will be organised mainly by LuxembourgforFinance, LuxembourgforBusiness and the Chamber, with the mission led by Luc Frieden. The focus will be on finance and promoting Luxembourg as an access point to Europe.

The maritime sector will also be in the spotlight in Hong Kong. In Shanghai, Luxembourgish firms will have the chance to meet local companies and so far over 30 companies have already signed up for this mission.

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Unmissable Shanghai

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