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Cooperation with: EU, ASIA

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About Guangzhou & GDD

Guangzhou

- Located on top of the GBA, Capital city of Guangdong Province
- Center of administration, economy & culture in Southern China
- 1st Human Development Index, 2nd Forbes Best Commercial City
- 1 of the 3 major international aviation hubs in China
- The number of consulates rank 2nd in China





Guangzhou Development District (GDD)

- Ranked **top 3** in the national development districts
- the regional GDP up to **44 billion Euro**, total industrial output up to **96 billion Euro** (2019)
- 192 Fortune 500 companies, over 3,600 Multinational corporations
- Strategic development platforms: Sino-Singapore Guangzhou Knowledge City, Guangzhou Science city, Guangzhou International Bio-island, and Huangpu Port



About Policy & Pilot Zone

Providing diversified incentives and support to foster Smart City & Digital Transition:

Guangdong Province





Guangzhou



GDD 🎏

Action Plan for Promoting The Construction of Smart City Clusters and Informatization Integration in the Pearl River Delta Region (2014-2020) Measures to speed up the development of Guangzhou as an innovation-oriented city in the digital economy.

Measures to accelerate "New Infrastructure" to Boost The Development of Digital Economy

Strive to develop Smart City & Digital pilot zone :



Guangzhou artificial intelligence and digital economy pilot zone



National level Smart City Demonstration zone: Sino-Singapore (Guangzhou) Knowledge City



About EU-China Regional Cooperation













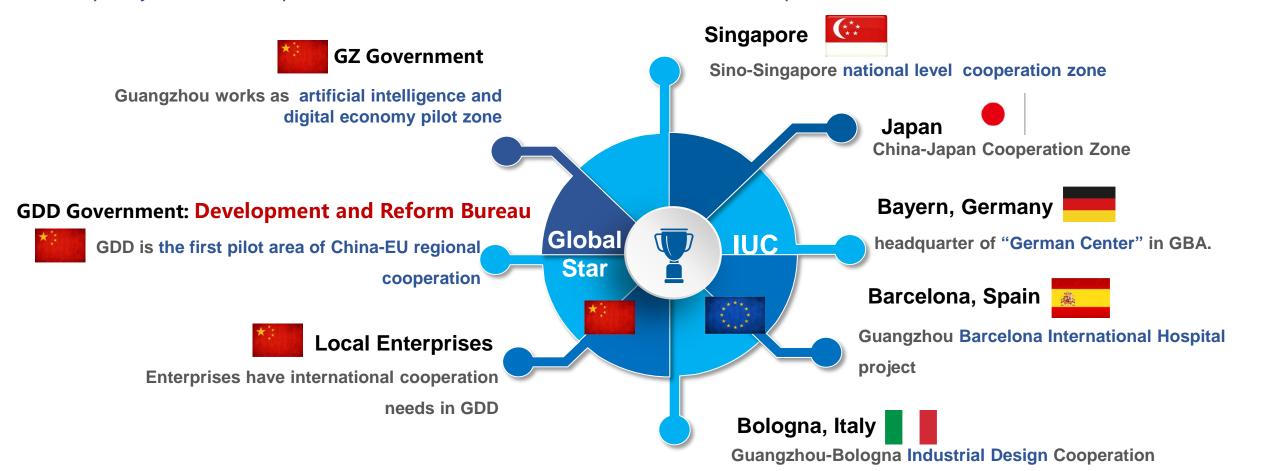
- ◆ In November 2013, GDD was recognized by National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) & the European Commission the pilot area of EU-China Regional Policy Cooperation.
- With the guidance of Development & Reform Commission (DRC) of Guangdong & Guangzhou, GDD has established EU-China Cooperation leading group and achieved results in regional and projects matchmaking.
- About international regional Cooperation:
- Participated in 20 EU-China cooperation & exchange activities, 6 visits to Europe
- MOU exchange & cooperation mechanism establishment with Upper Austria of Austria, Jena of Germany, Mercia (West Midlands) of UK
- Co-hosted China-EU Regional Policy Cooperation
 Conference with IUC & Development and Reform Bureau



About Project Cooperation

IUC engages EU-China cities to work together and networking, promotes a human-centred and environmentally-friendly urban development model.

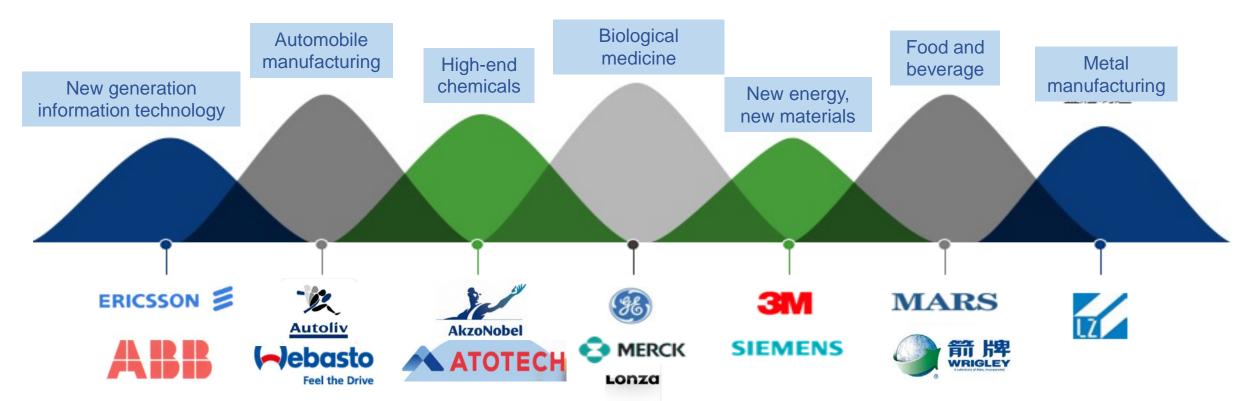
Global Star is the specific undertaker of China-EU regional cooperation in GDD. GS could provide the incubator, capital, talent policy, market and potential customers resources for innovative enterprises.





About Industry Development

After 36 years of development, 7 main pillar industries have formed in GDD:



◆ In order to build smart city and speed up the process of digitization, GDD focus on the following key industries:

IAB: new generation information technology, artificial intelligence, biological medicine

NEM: new energy, new materials

New infrastructure: 5G, intelligent mobility, and digital economy etc.



About Enterprise Cooperation

Through working together and networking,

multinational companies and local enterprises are developing innovative and original solutions to build Smart City and promote Digital Transition in GDD/Guangzhou.





How are your cities planning to sustain the cooperation and implementation of planned actions?

How do you plan (or have you planned) to maintain the cooperation once the IUC programme as finished?

- Actively participate in new IURC program
- Sustain the cooperation project and relationship through IUC program
- Plan to set up offshore incubation center/office
- Visit EU consulate, chamber of Commerce, EU enterprises and other organizations in Guangzhou
- Strive for cooperation of international technological innovation, two-way trade and economic, technical talent exchange and other fields

What advice would you have for the new IURC programme to help cities be success in sustaining their cooperarion under a thematic networking?

- Have a detailed introduction of the new IURC's operating mechanism and work objectives. We could formulate together about the working schedule and contents.
- Build an Information sharing and working communication platform to communicate and make work summary regular
- In order to regularize our work, IURC is expected to issue an official certificate or plaque to each city partner
- Communicate Information and exchange background materials fully before the online meeting
- Organise more site visit and face-to face communication



What is the added value of International Urban Cooperation?

Enhance mutual understanding Enhance mutual understanding of the social, economic, investment environment and policy to find collaboration opportunities

Introduce investment environment and the social, economic development situation in Guangzhou

Area **Promotion**

Introduction of foreign investment

Encourage multinational companies enter Chinese market to set up headquarters

Encourage enterprises to carry on the strategy of "Going out" and participate in European market competition

"Going out" to the world



IUC Networks of interest to continue working under IURC





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