

# Science & Technology Bureau of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone

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## Correspondence Concerning the Formulation of *Several Policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone on Promoting “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation”*

EU Project Innovation Centre (Chengdu),

To better build the project “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation”, accelerate the integration into the “One Belt One Road” and FTA strategies, create a new window for building Chengdu International Exchange Center and promote the construction of international office area in Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, in line with the arrangement and deployment of the Management Committee of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, the Science & Technology Bureau drafted the *Several Policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone on Promoting the project “Business & Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation”* on behalf of Management Committee. There are ten policies, giving priority to supporting the settlement of institutions, enterprises and talents from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road” into “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation” project building.

Currently, the *Several Policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone on Promoting the project “Business & Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation” (Draft for Review)* has been submitted to the Management Committee of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone for review and will be officially issued upon the approval of Management Committee of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone.

The correspondence is hereby issued.

Appendix: *Several Policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone on Promoting the project “Business & Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation”*

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## **Several Policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone on Promoting the project “Business & Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation “**

(Draft for Review)

These Policies are hereby worked out to develop the project “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation”, accelerate the integration into the “One Belt One Road” and FTA strategies, create a new window for building Chengdu International Exchange Center and promote the construction of international office area in Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone.

These Policies focus on supporting the settlement of institutions, enterprises and talents from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road” into project “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation” in Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, applying to targets including:

- I. Business centers set up by foreign government agencies or economic development & promotion institutions.
- II. Foreign-funded enterprises and joint ventures with a foreign capital accounting for 30 % or more, with industrial & commercial, taxation and statistical relations filed at Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone.  
  
Enterprises with industrial field falling within dominant industries of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, including new generation information technology, biology, high-end equipment manufacturing, energy conservation and environmental protection, producer services, etc., as well as other emerging industrial fields.
- III. International innovation & startup incubators and international technology transfer offices with international influence.
- IV. High-level talents carrying out international innovation & startup activities in Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone.

### **Article I**

#### **Support the Settlement of Foreign Business Offices**

For business centers set up in “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation” by foreign government agencies or economic development & promotion institutions from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road”, upon identification:

- (I) Those at national level will be granted an office place within 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years according to the foreign party’s actual demand (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); and a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place within 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 3000/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB3 million at most.
- (II) Those at regional or local level will be granted an office place within 500 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years according to the foreign party’s actual demand (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon

appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); and a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place within 500 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 3000/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB1.5 million at most.

Foreign parties whose actual demand falling within 50 m<sup>2</sup> may be offered a well-decorated office place equipped with basic working conditions free of rent in first 3 years (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half).

## **Article II**

### **Support the Settlement of Headquarters and R&D Centers of International Enterprises**

For regional headquarters, R&D centers and joint research institutes set up in “Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation” by well-known enterprises and institutions from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road”, upon identification:

- (III) With regard to regional headquarters, R&D centers and joint research institutes etc. with independent legal person qualification set up by enterprises among Global Top 500, universities among Global Top 100 and research institutes among Global Top 100, they will be granted an office place no more than 2,000 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years according to the actual demand (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place within 2,000 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 2000/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB4 million at most; and a lump-sum startup capital subsidy up to RMB 5 million.
- (IV) With regard to regional headquarters, R&D centers and joint research institutes etc. set up by technological enterprises, colleges and universities and scientific research institutes with certain international influence, they will be granted an office place within 500 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years according to the actual demand (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place no more than 2,000 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 500/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB1 million at most; and a lump-sum startup capital subsidy up to RMB 1 million.

## **Article III**

### **Support the Settlement of International Science & Technology Service Agencies**

- (I) Support the settlement of international innovation and startup carriers. For those international innovation and startup carriers qualifying one of conditions below: ① foreign shareholding proportion reaches 30% or more; ② foreign teams operate independently; ③ settled foreign-funded enterprises account for 50% or more; ④ annual export volumes of settled enterprises account for 50% or more in sales revenues; ⑤ total number of foreign staff in settled enterprises reach 30% or more; ⑥ various offshore innovation & startup bases, upon identification, they will be granted an office place within 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place no more than 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 2,000/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB2 million at most; and an operation subsidy for 3 consecutive years up to RMB 1 million per year.

- (II) Support the settlement of international technology transfer offices. For those international technology transfer offices qualifying one of conditions below: ① foreign shareholding proportion reaches 30% or more; ② foreign teams operate independently; ③ they sign cooperation agreement with 3 or more international high-end or national science & technology service agencies, upon identification, they will be granted an office place within 2,000 m<sup>2</sup> free of rent in first 3 years (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, upon appraisal, the rent might be charged by half); a lump-sum decoration subsidy for an office place no more than 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> at up to RMB 2,000/ m<sup>2</sup> and RMB2 million at most; and an operation subsidy for 3 consecutive years up to RMB 1 million per year.

#### **Article IV**

##### **Support high-level Talents to Innovate Enterprises**

- (I) For the well-known scientists at home or abroad leading the team to found enterprises, including Nobel Prize winners from Europe and other countries along the “One Belt One Road”, foreign Academy of Sciences (Academy of Engineering) academicians at the same level as Chinese Academy of Sciences (Academy of Engineering) academicians, and core technical experts having ever served for the world's top 500 corporate headquarters or internationally renowned research and development institutions etc., after evaluation, grant RMB 80 million, RMB 50 million, RMB 30 million, RMB 10 million respectively in the form of venture capital, fund investment, discount loans, government grants etc. in accordance with the excellent, good, fine and qualified grades; it can go up to RMB 100 million for those greatly excellent projects and the money will be granted to the enterprise where the team belongs according to the agreed proportion within 5 years. Meanwhile, the rent can be totally exempted in the first three years for an actual use area less than 1000 m<sup>2</sup> (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, the rent can be halved after assessment).
- (II) For the innovation programs led by well-known scientists at home and abroad, such as the foreign Academy of Sciences (Academy of Engineering) academicians from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road” at the same level as Chinese Academy of Sciences (Academy of Engineering) academicians, and core technical experts having ever served for the world's top 500 corporate headquarters or internationally renowned research and development institutions etc., after evaluation, grant RMB 5 million, 3 million, 2 million as start-up capital respectively in accordance with the excellent, good and fine grades. Meanwhile the rent can be totally exempted in the first three years for an actual use area less than 500 m<sup>2</sup> (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, the rent can be halved after assessment).

#### **Article V**

##### **Support the Settlement of Commodity Trading Enterprises**

For the world-renowned commodity trading enterprises from Europe and countries along the “One Belt One Road” to settle in " Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation ", after identification, the rent will be completely exempted in the first 3 years for an area less than 500 m<sup>2</sup> according to the actual needs of the enterprises (for the 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> year, the rent can be halved after assessment); up to RMB 1 million decoration subsidies will be given at one time for an area less than 500 m<sup>2</sup> (no more than RMB 2,000/m<sup>2</sup>).

**Article VI**  
**Give Financial Support**

For the enterprises settling in "Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation ", help them access to Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone venture angel investment funds and policy-based venture capital according to their needs. They can get up to RMB 5 million angel investment, if approved by Angel Fund, in seed period and start-up period, and can get up to RMB 20 million venture capital in start-up period and growth period. For the enterprises' capital loans (including microfinance company loans), after identification, the support can go up to 70% of the interest rate subsidy, 70% of the guarantee (insurance) fee, and up to RMB 10 million individual enterprise soft loan.

**Article VII**  
**Encourage International Events**

Encourage organizing various international investment, technological & trade activities, international conferences, forums, etc. closely related to the development of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone in "Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation", after assessment, the space charges can be exempted and activities subsidy can be up to 50%, reaching RMB 1 million.

**Article VIII**  
**Provide Talent Service "Green Channel"**

For the high-level talents settling in the " Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation " and selected in "Thousand Talents Program", "Chengdu talent plan" and "Jingrong high-tech talent plan", provide one-stop and full agency services in talent settling, children enrollment, health and social security, talent housing, inhabitation and application for entry and exit, business support etc. Offer rent-free apartments for 3 years. Children will be given priority to attend school (kindergarten) in the district by Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone Education Department.

**Article IX**  
**Provide "One-Stop" Service**

For enterprises and institutions settling in " Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation ", provide one-stop service including industrial and commercial registration, tax registration, accounting services, legal advice, language translation etc. Improve B2G service system and offer enterprises government services in accordance with international practice.

**Article X**

For the major teams or talents, important institutions or enterprises and activities that have important influence on the promotion of open innovation and international cooperation in Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone settling in the " Business and Innovation Centre for China-

Europe Cooperation ", which need to be supported by the policy, the Administrative Committee of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone can decide to adopt “one discussion for one enterprise” and “one decision for one thing” methods.

This policy takes effect from the date of issuance and is valid for three years. If the settling institutions and the enterprises meet several requirements of Article I to V, they shall be supported in accordance with the principle of "high standard and non-repetitive support". Institutions and enterprises settling in the " Business and Innovation Centre for China-Europe Cooperation " will enjoy the industrial, sci-tech, personnel, financial and other relevant policies of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, but the same support will not be repeated. This policy is explained by the Management Committee of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone, and the specific implementation details will be prepared by Science & Technology Bureau and other relevant departments of Chengdu Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone.