

# **Preliminary Proposal of the 10th International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum**

## **1. Brief Introduction of IIICF**

The International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum (IIICF) is an international forum with the theme of investment and construction of infrastructure, jointly organized by China International Contractors Association and Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute with the approval of establishment by the Chinese Ministry of Commerce in 2010. As a world-renowned event in the infrastructure industry, the IIICF attracts annually more than 2000 delegates from over 70 countries and regions including around 50 ministerial officials.

Centering around the international infrastructure investment and construction, IIICF attracts government authorities, financial institutions, international associations, leading contractors, investors, designers, consultants and other service providers to exchange insights on development strategies and cutting-edge topics in the field. Aiming to gather project opportunities for mutual cooperation, IIICF serves as an international platform for sharing ideas, obtaining information, exploring opportunities and seeking cooperation.

Year 2019 marks the 10th anniversary of IIICF as well as the 20th anniversary of Macao's return to China. Also, the 10th IIICF is of great and significance particularly right after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation. The 10<sup>th</sup> IIICF will be convened with the theme of *Promoting Quality and Sustainable Development of International Infrastructure* and intended to pursue tangible results achieved in the 2nd Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation so as to push for early launch of the project cooperation. The 5th China-LAC Infrastructure Forum, hosted by the Chinese Ministry of Commerce, will be held concurrently with the 10th IIICF. This Forum, as a subsequent action of the 1st Ministerial Meeting of China-CELAC Forum, is a major platform established by the Chinese Ministry of Commerce with the aim to push forward China-LAC

bilateral/multilateral and win-win cooperation on infrastructures sector. In addition, the 10th anniversary dinner will be held to showcase the growth of the previous 10 sessions of IICF and economic & social progress made in Macao in the past two decades.

## **2. Date, Venue and Size**

**Date:** May 30-31, 2019 (Registration on May 29)

**Venue:** Venetian Hotel Macao

**Size:** Around 1400 delegates (800 from mainland in China, 400 from overseas, 200 from Hong Kong & Macao & Taiwan)

## **3. Endorsers and Organizers**

Endorsers: Ministry of Commerce of P. R. China

Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region of P. R. China

Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao SAR

Organizers: China International Contractors Association

Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute

## **3. Theme of the 10th IICF**

The theme of the 10th IICF is **Promoting Quality and Sustainable Development of International Infrastructure.**

Infrastructure is the foundation of economic and social development. Progress and growth in economy and society rely on quality and sustainable infrastructures. *UN Transforming our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development* is the action plan of global economic and social development in the future. For the first time, it states quality infrastructures as the major field of sustainable development, pointing out developing quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructures is one of the sustainable development goals by 2030 and underpins economic growth and improves human welfare.

The international community attaches great importance on quality and

sustainable infrastructures. G20 Leaders' Communique, Hangzhou Summit stressed the importance of quality infrastructure investment, which aims to ensure economic efficiency in view of life-cycle cost, safety, resilience against natural disaster, job creation, capacity building, and transfer of expertise and know-how on mutually agreed terms and conditions, while addressing social and environmental impacts and aligning with economic and development strategies. Prior to the G20 Hangzhou Summit, *Joint Declaration of Aspirations on Actions to Support Infrastructure Investment* was launched by 11 multilateral development banks (MDBs), including their announcements of quantitative ambitions for high-quality infrastructure projects.

At the 5th Anniversary Workshop on facilitating the Belt & Road Initiative, the Chinese President Xi Jinping pointed out pushing The Belt & Road Initiative towards quality development is the basic requirement for the next-step efforts. As the priority field and major contents in the Belt & Road Initiative, quality infrastructure construction, to a large extent, influences the quality development of the Belt & Road Initiative. For propelling the Belt & Road Initiative towards quality development, it is imperative to rise quality infrastructures development to greater prominence.

Quality infrastructure development accords with the sustainable infrastructure development. They are tight-knitted and support each other. In the current context, the international industry should probe into how to accurately define quality infrastructure development, how to enjoy high complementarity between quality and sustainable development, and recognize the impediments towards quality infrastructure development, as well as how to address the challenges so as to promote quality and sustainable development in the international infrastructures industry.

#### **4. Preliminary Agenda of the 10th IIICF**

##### **Day 1 May 29**

✓ 09:30-21:30, Registration

- ✓ 19:00-20:30, VVIP Dinner/Welcome Dinner

## **Day 2 May 30**

- ✓ **08:00-09:00, Breakfast Buffet**
- ✓ **09:00-09:30, Exhibition Visit**
- ✓ **10:00-10:25, Opening Ceremony**
- ✓ **10:25-11:15, Keynote Speeches**
- ✓ **11:15-11:30, Launching Ceremony**
- ✓ **11:30-12:30, Dialogue with Senior Management from MDBs: Invest in Quality and Sustainable Infrastructures**

Currently, all international financial institutions commit to promote investment in infrastructures with focus on both quantity and quality. Compared with former investment models, which aspects should be paid close attention to when investing in quality and sustainable infrastructures? How can stakeholders strengthen quality and sustainable infrastructure projects pipeline, and how to maximize the quality of investment? How to further collaborate among the existing and new MDBs for implementing the *Joint Declaration of Aspirations on Actions to Support Infrastructure Investment* which released before G20 Hangzhou Summit, thus realizing quantitative ambitions for high-quality infrastructure projects?

- ✓ **12:30-13:30 Buffet Luncheon**
- ✓ **13:50-15:20 Keynote Forum: Jointly Build Quality and Sustainable Infrastructure - from Goals to Practice**

The growth of economy and the progress of society depend on quality and sustainable infrastructures. As a major domain of sustainable development, quality infrastructures was highlighted in the *UN Transforming our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development* for the first time, which mirrors the world attaches importance to quality and sustainable infrastructure development. Against this background, how should stakeholders define and evaluate quality infrastructures? How to deliver high complementarity between quality and sustainability? Which goals are set for achieving quality infrastructure development? How to make revolutionary changes on the development philosophy, institutional mechanism,

business models, and science & technology, etc., so as to further propel quality and sustainable infrastructure development?

✓ **15:20-15:40 Tea Break and Networking**

✓ **15:40-17:30 The 5<sup>th</sup> China-LAC Infrastructure Forum**

15:40-16:00 Opening Ceremony

16:00-17:30 Featured Event 1: Jointly Facilitate China-LAC

Cooperation on Quality and Sustainable

Infrastructure Development

At present, LAC region is going through a crucial period featuring industrial upgrading and economic transformation. All countries in this region focus on delivering quality and sustainable infrastructures. It estimated that the demand of infrainvestment will surpass 1.3 trillion USD in 2011-2040. China, with rich experience in construction, have great collaborative potential with LAC countries in connected infrastructure sectors such as transport, business logistics, warehouse facilities, energy and electric power, water conservancy projects, as well as machinery manufacturing, etc. As China-LAC cooperation enters a new era, the both parties are expected to further innovate in cooperative models, enhance cooperation levels, rise to the challenges, and jointly pushing forward building the new vision of China-LAC quality cooperation on infrastructures.

✓ **19:00-20:30 the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner of IIICF**

### **Day 3 (May 31)**

✓ **08:00-09:00 Buffet Breakfast/Breakfast**

✓ **09:30-12:00 Parallel Forums**

**Parallel Forum 1: Energy Transformation and International Cooperation on New Energy Resources**

In recent years, as the international community paid more attention to issues of energy resource security, ecological environment protection and climate change, governments around the world have reach consensus and taken actions on accelerating the development and utilization of new energy resources represented by

wind power and solar energy, thus the global new energy industry has performed a high-speed development trend. It is expected that by 2050, new energy sources, mainly wind power and solar energy, will contribute to 40% of the total power generation, in which context, the new energy industry should vigorously carry out international cooperation in energy transformation, institutional mechanisms, business models and technological innovation to further promote the high quality and sustainable development of the global new energy industry.

### **Parallel Forum 2: Coordinated Development of Rail Transit and Metropolitan Circle**

Urban rail transit has such remarkable characteristics as large traffic volume, punctuality, high safety and environmental protection. When planning a modern city, governments in various countries often adopt the principle of moderate advance of traffic, take overall consideration of the layout of urban rail transit network in metropolitan area, and build up one-hour urban commuting circle with rail transit as the backbone. Starting with planning, this forum will discuss in depth how to guide the intelligent development of transportation and optimize the urban pattern, create metropolitan circle on track, realize the benign interaction between rail transit and urban development and the needs of convenient travel, and promote the sustainable development of cities.

### **Parallel Forum 3: Innovation and Cooperation Promotes Sustainable Infrastructure in Belt & Road Initiative**

As sustainability is getting increasing attention by governments and financial institutes, sustainable infrastructure will become a direction for the future in the international markets. It is also a strategic demand for companies to implement the Belt & Road Initiative and strengthen their competitiveness in the global market. Today, there has been a lot of progress in sustainable finance, standardization cooperation, collaboration in third-markets and technical innovation. These latest progresses have shown new opportunities for the development of sustainable infrastructure. Governments, financial institutes and companies could all play a role to embrace the new opportunities and challenges through collaboration and further

promote sustainable infrastructure in the Belt & Road Initiative.

**Parallel Forum 4: From the Belt and Road to Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area: Opportunities and Challenges of Infrastructure Connectivity**

Infrastructure connectivity serves as an important guarantee for regional economic and social development. As a node area connected to the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road, the Greater Bay Area will focus on improving infrastructure construction, keep channels of communications open and upgrade the level of internal connectivity, which can not only the needs of the development of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area but also support the Belt and Road construction. To build an efficient infrastructure network, improve connectivity and control various risks amid great differences in resources, development demands, technical standards and cultural concepts in these three cities and countries along the Belt and Road Initiative, will be the key to successfully and smoothly complete the related infrastructure projects.

**Parallel Forum 5: Enhancing Collaboration of Industrial Chains to Serve Quality Infrastructure Development**

Collaboration between enterprises of upstream and downstream industries is essential for them to co-ordinate resources, accelerate industrial transformation and upgrading, and enhance their comprehensive competitiveness. As one of the major participants in the industrial chain of infrastructure industry, machinery equipment manufacturers has gradually attracted attentions for their measures on seeking close trans-boundary cooperation to jointly promote the transformation of infrastructure cooperation to high-quality development. This forum will explore a new trans-boundary cooperation mode to promote the development of high-quality infrastructure through discussion on issues of the layout of the whole industrial chain of engineering enterprises, the selection, purchase, transportation and on-site management of mechanical equipment and materials, the collaboration of financial leasing and supply chain of mechanical equipment, the impact of technological innovations such as digitization, intellectualization and networking on infrastructure,

etc.

### **Parallel Forum 6: Conference of Central Bankers, Financial Supervisors and Financiers from China and Portuguese-speaking Countries**

Close cooperation among Central Banks and financial institutions from China and Portuguese-speaking countries (PSCs) plays an important role in promoting their economic and financial developments. Central bank officials, senior management and financiers of major banks from China and PSCs are invited not only to share their experiences in financial developments but also to explore future cooperation opportunities in this Conference in Macao. This Forum will promote the comprehensive financial cooperation among China, PSCs and Macao, allowing Macao to give full play of its function as a financial services platform between China and PSCs.

✓ **12:30-13:30 Buffet Luncheon/Luncheon**

✓ **14:00-16:30 The 5<sup>th</sup> China-LAC Infrastructure Forum**

Featured Event 2: New Prospect of China-LAC Infrastructure Cooperation

Infrastructure investment and construction is a major area with greatest growth potential in China-LAC economic and trade cooperation. LAC region has become the second recipient of China's overseas investments and third largest market for Chinese companies engaging in contracting projects. At present, China and LAC countries are expanding cooperation in infrastructures from construction to industrial park building, industry planning and production capacity, etc. The approaches of cooperation have also expanded from the engineering contracting to construction plus operations. PPP, BOT and other project financing models are being implemented, with M&A and direct investments increasing remarkably. China-LAC infrastructure cooperation has entered the new stage of quality development.

✓ **14:00-16:30 Parallel Forum**

✓ **Parallel Forum 7: Development and Management Practice of International Engineering Contracts**

The international engineering contract embodies the laws, regulations and customary rules of the infrastructure construction market, regulates the rights and

obligations of all stakeholders, as well as determines the cooperation mode of all parties, therefore is the core of the international engineering project management. At present, what are the different systems of engineering contract and what development prospects will it face in the future? How to deepen the understanding of engineering standard contract model and improve the ability of negotiation and risk identification of international engineering contract? In order to improve the quality and sustainable development of projects, what are the best practices of contract management worth sharing in the process of contract preparation and implementation of infrastructure projects? Guests from the fields of international engineering management will discuss related issues extensively and deeply.

✓ **Parallel Forum 8: China-UK Infrastructure Cooperation Forum**

- UK and International Best Practice in Developing Sustainable Cities for the Future

The Forum will introduce UK and International expertise and best practice in infrastructure sector, especially in sustainable urban planning, city regeneration, and the use of leading digital technologies including BIM. Best practice examples from UK, China and other global cities will be presented. Meanwhile, UK government will launch a new bilateral collaboration program aiming to facilitate sustainable financing, and to establish high standards for sustainable infrastructure in global market.

**Parallel Forum 9: Fulfilling China-Portuguese Practical Cooperation by Playing the Role of Financial Engine**

- Focus on Project Investment and Financing, Sharing Successful Experience and Exploring Cooperation Mode

In recent years, the cooperation between China and Portuguese-speaking countries in energy, transportation, agriculture and other fields has led to the rapid development of infrastructure construction cooperation. A series of cooperation projects in electricity, ports and agriculture have achieved positive results, which have played a demonstration role in future cooperation of two parties. Project investment and financing is the key and primary factor of cooperation. Government

authorities, financial institutions, fund organizations and industry representatives from China, Macao SAR (China) and Portuguese-speaking countries will focus on project investment and financing issues, try to find common elements that can be replicated from successful cases, and explore different modes of cooperation.

#### **Parallel Forum 10: International Association Chairman's Forum**

The international associations in various countries play an important role in the global infrastructure cooperation. The presidents of international associations from more than 20 countries and regions will be invited to this forum to introduce the status quo of infrastructure development and cooperation projects in their respective countries and regions, discuss industry development trends and hot issues, as well as promote mutually beneficial cooperation for member companies through close ties between international associations.

- ✓ **14:00-16:30 Private Business Meetings** (by request or self-arrangement)
- ✓ **16:30-17:00 Signing Ceremony**
- ✓ **17:00-17:45 Press Conference**

**Exhibition will be held concurrently with the 10<sup>th</sup> IIICF.**

*This Master Agenda is subject to change and updates shall be available at [www.iiicf.org](http://www.iiicf.org).*

#### **5. Expected Participants**

1. Governmental authorities, international organizations, industry associations and policy makers;
2. Project owners, investors, contractors, design firms and supervision companies in infrastructure construction;
3. Institutions in finance, insurance, law and consulting;
4. Manufacturers of engineering mechanical equipment and construction materials;
5. Industry organizations, research institutes and academic societies.

#### **6. Ways of Participation**

1. Participating in the Forum to exchange ideas with government officials and industry leaders from across the world while accessing the latest information of the industry;

2. Provided with opportunities of delivering speeches or recommending speakers in line with theme and contents of the Forum in order to share insights and experience with industry players;

3. Co-organizing discussion panels or business talks to have in-depth communications with the target clientele and establish relations for further partnership;

4. Taking part in the exhibition concurrent with the Forum, presenting services and products to potential customers and enhancing corporate influence and reputation;

5. Presenting infrastructure projects and carrying out investment promotion activities;

6. Holding signing ceremonies to demonstrate the fruit of cooperation.

## **7. The Core Strengths of IIICF:**

### **(1) Extensive Participation of Top Leaders**

More than 50 ministerial officials in charge of infrastructure investment and construction conduct productive dialogue with entrepreneurs; Over 40 renowned domestic and overseas financial institutions discuss innovative models of win-win cooperation between banks and enterprises and share their success in capital operation so as to promote mutual benefit; Leading figures from renowned contractors, designers, operators and consulting firms at home and abroad gather at the Forum to discuss hot topics and share the latest technology and experience; Chairmen from 20 International associations get together to put into practice “the Joint Action Plan for Cooperation on International Infrastructure Construction” and seek partners for their projects.

### **(2) A Grand Gathering of Well-known Enterprises and Institutions**

Every year witnesses a VIP convergence composed of 65 contractors ranked on

ENR Top 250 International Contractors as well as 70 plus companies of FORTUNE Global 500.

**(3) Deep-dive Workshops on Front-edge Topics**

The Forum sets up various panels featuring different forefront topics, including key sectors in infrastructure industry as well as financing innovation, project management, regional cooperation and global business opportunities, etc.

**(4) Complete Coverage of Industry Chain**

Participated in the Forum are such industries as investment & financing, designing & consultancy, construction & contracting, operation & management, engineering machinery, construction materials, finance & insurance and legal counseling and the like.

**(5) Effective and Kaleidoscopic Business Programs**

Keynote addresses, seminars, exhibitions, project promotion, featured dinners, business talks and other forms of networking programs are organized as a multi-dimensional interaction platform for companies to engage in business cooperation.

**(6) Authoritative Platform for Releasing Industry Research**

Authorities and academicians get their research published at the Forum, availing global industry with the latest information and analysis of the market development.

**(7) All-dimensional Media Coverage**

By way of television, radio, newspaper, magazine, internal publication and the internet, we provide our partners with the one-stop integrated advertising service, helping them maximize the marketing effect in business development, PR campaign and branding.