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Greater Bay Science Forum 2021 kicked off in Guangzhou



The highly anticipated Greater-Bay Science Forum 2021 kicked off in Guangzhou on 11 December 2021. Themed “Exploring the Future, Sharing Scientific Achievement”, it brought together leading scientists and international scientific organizations to discuss global trends of scientific development and their implications for the future.

The forum presented four highlights: First, creating a high-end showcase to fully demonstrate technological achievements in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA); second, pooling international wisdom to develop the GBA into a global innovation engine; third, building consensus on international scientific cooperation and new approaches to tackle global challenges; fourth, promoting the spirit of science and advocating science.

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Together, we build a prosperous future in GBA

The Commerce Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality and Invest Hong Kong have jointly published the promotion video “Together, we build a prosperous future in GBA”. As the “dual engine” of the GBA, Hong Kong and Shenzhen have been continuously deepening the economic and trade co-operation. Hong Kong and Shenzhen have co-organized investment promotion events in countries and regions including the US, Japan, Europe and Australia to showcase the business advantages of the two cities and invite global investors to build a prosperous future in the GBA.



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■ Introducing GBA cities: Zhongshan

Zhongshan is located at the south-central part of the Pearl River Delta, connecting Guangzhou on the north and is close to Hong Kong and Macao. It is a key transportation node on the west bank of the Pearl River. Zhongshan is a base for advanced manufacturing and modern service industries. It is also a pilot city for industrial upgrading in Guangdong Province.



The Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area positions Zhongshan to use its complete industry chains to improve collaboration and connectivity among industries in the Greater Bay Area; to find and promote cultural resources related to Sun Yat-sen; to further develop the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao youth innovation and entrepreneurial co-operation platform in Zhongshan; and to take forward innovation in biomedical technologies.

Pillar industries

- Equipment manufacturing
- Household appliances
- Textiles and garment
- Electronics
- Lighting
- Healthcare and pharmaceuticals
- Furniture, small home appliances and hardware products

Emerging industries

- Modern service industry
- Yacht industry

Major Development Areas

- Zhongshan Torch High-Tech Industrial Development Zone
- Zhongshan Industrial Park

■ Qianhai to further cooperate with Hong Kong, Macao business associations

The Qianhai authority has established cooperative relations with all major Hong Kong and Macao business associations after signing several memorandums of cooperation with the Hong Kong Chinese Enterprises Association, Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association, and Hong Kong Commerce and Industry Associations at a conference held in Qianhai on 7 December 2021.

The four parties plan to carry out strategic cooperation in the fields of finance, shipping, trade, science and technology, youth exchanges and professional services to utilize these business associations' resources and expand channels for attracting investment from Hong Kong. The associations' influence and credibility are conducive to help Qianhai enterprises enter the international market.

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■ RCEP helps boost Hong Kong role as key trade and services hub

Over 200 people including government officials, business leaders, and members of academia exchanged views during the GBA conference themed "Embracing New Opportunities: Connecting GBA with RCEP." held in Hong Kong on 30 November 2021. The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) will strengthen the position of Hong Kong as a key hub for trade and services and promote integration in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

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