

SDIFCC  
2025

Shandong International  
Friendship Cities Conference for  
Cooperation and Development

*INVITATION*

May 26-30, 2025 🕒

Shandong, China 📍

Organizing Committee

Shandong International Friendship Cities  
Conference for Cooperation and Development 2025

Shandong, with its enduring charm, welcomes friends from afar. With sincerity and anticipation, the more than 100 million people of Shandong extend this invitation, filled with profound friendship and hopes for future cooperation, to our esteemed friends from Guaranda.

In this new era where diverse cultures intertwine and opportunities coexist with challenges, sister cities serve not merely as ties for exchange and ambassadors of culture, but also as platforms for economic and trade cooperation and bridges for mutual benefit and development. To further promote exchanges and cooperation, and to strengthen the bonds of friendship, Shandong Province will host the Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development 2025 in Shandong, China, from May 26th to 30th, 2025. Centered on "Sister Cities + Business" and themed "Hand in Hand for Common Development", the conference aims to establish a high-level platform for international economic and trade cooperation. Together with global partners, we endeavor to deepen collaboration across economic, trade, scientific, technological, and cultural fields among sister cities, striving for shared growth and prosperity.

The main venue of the conference will be located in Jinan, Shandong Province, with concurrent events taking place in cities at the forefront of economic development such as Qingdao, Zibo, Jining, and Zaozhuang. The **"Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour** will be organized to visit well-known local enterprises. The focus will be on cutting-edge sectors such as new quality productive forces and green agriculture. Through on-site visits and interactive exchanges, participants will be able to deepen their understanding, uncover potential cooperation opportunities, and explore paths towards mutually beneficial development.

The conference, focusing on economic and trade cooperation, has meticulously planned a variety of enriching, efficient, and pragmatic activities. In addition to group meetings and the opening ceremony, the following events will also be held. We cordially invite your City to join us.

**International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking.** This event serves as a platform for business communities of our sister cities to share resources and explore cooperation potential. We cordially invite your City to organize relevant business associations and enterprises to participate in the meeting, discuss opportunities for cooperation with Shandong and other sister cities, and engage in matchmaking with Shandong enterprises. The conference will set up product exhibition area for participating enterprises to display their models or physical products.

**International Friendship Cities Trade Fair.** This is an exhibition showcasing distinctive products from various sister cities, with the aim to foster trade relations and broaden market perspectives. We sincerely invite businesses from your City to join this event to enhance your brand awareness and explore new markets and business domains. We are pleased to offer preferential booth rates to our sister city exhibitors.



**"Window of Friendship Cities" - Shandong International Friendship Cities Development Highlights Exhibition.** This exhibition aims to enhance mutual understanding and expand areas of collaboration by presenting the development accomplishments and distinctive cultures of sister cities. We sincerely invite your City to send photos, videos, or items that represent your image to the organizing committee in advance. This will enable a more vivid display of your unique charm and cultural heritage.

**"One Night in Shandong" Art Performance.** In the spirit of art as a bridge, we plan to craft a stage that transcends borders and weaves together a tapestry of diverse cultures, fostering a deeper understanding and friendship between us. We cordially invite your City to submit a cultural art performance showcasing local characteristics to the organizing committee. By showcasing cultural charms, we aim to strengthen international bonds and enhance cultural exchanges and appreciation.

We will provide detailed information on the specific arrangements and relevant requirements for the aforementioned activities via email. If your City has specific areas of business cooperation intentions or contract documents to be signed, please feel free to contact us, we will be very honored to witness the launching of cooperation with global partners, and jointly open a new chapter of business cooperation.

We extend our warm invitation to senior government officials, heads of business associations, renowned entrepreneurs, outstanding young representatives and friends of the media from your City to attend the conference in Shandong. The organizing committee is pleased to cover the costs of accommodation, meals, and local transportation for a delegation of five attendees during the conference. Please send your attendance confirmation, conference activity selection form, and information form for institutions attending International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking to the email [wsbgjk@163.com](mailto:wsbgjk@163.com) by January 20, 2025.

We look forward to your company in the blooming spring of May for the Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development 2025, where sister cities can achieve heart-to-heart communication and mutually beneficial collaboration, transforming our global circle of friends into a global network for cooperation. Hand in hand, let us draw up a blueprint for cooperation and create a bright future.

Warmest regards.

Attachment: 1. Agenda of the Shandong International Friendship Cities  
Conference for Cooperation and Development 2025  
2. RSVP  
3. Conference Activity Selection Form  
4. Information Form for Institutions Attending International  
Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking

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### Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development 2025 Agenda

May 26th (Monday)	All Day	Registration
	17:00-18:00	Group meeting with heads of delegations from friendship cities (Venue: Renhe Hall, Shandong Hotel)
	17:00-18:00	"Remarkable Shandong" - Intangible Cultural Heritage Experience (Venue: Corridor + Foyer of the Golden Hall of the Conference Center, Shandong Hotel)
	18:00-19:30	Welcoming Dinner(Venue: Golden Hall, Shandong Hotel)
May 27 (Tuesday)	09:00-09:15	Group photo of heads of delegations from friendship cities (Venue: Caijin Hall, Shandong Hotel)
	09:15-09:30	Tour the Friendship Cities Exhibition (Venue: Corridor of the Golden Hall of the Conference Center, Shandong Hotel + Foyer of the Great Hall of Shandong)
	09:30-11:00	Opening Ceremony (Venue: The Great Hall of Shandong)
	12:00-13:30	Lunch (Venue: Shandong Hotel)
	14:00-17:00	International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking (Venue: Renhe Hall, Shandong Hotel)
	17:30-18:30	"One Night in Shandong" – Networking Buffet (Venue: Golden Hall, Shandong Hotel)
	19:00-20:30	"One Night in Shandong" – Art Performance (Venue: The Great Hall of Shandong)
May 28 (Wednesday)	09:00-11:30	1. Tour the International Friendship Cities Trade Fair (Venue: Jinan, Shandong) 2. "Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Zibo-Qingdao)
	11:30-13:00	Lunch (Venue: Shandong Hotel)
	14:00	1. "Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Jining-Zaozhuang) 2. Visit sister cities
<b>"Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Zibo-Qingdao)</b>		
May 28 (Wednesday)	Morning	Depart for Zibo and visit companies
		Lunch
	Afternoon	Attend the Opening Ceremony of the 2025 Global Youth Conference and Friendship Cities Conference (Zibo)
	Evening	Official Banquet
		Stay in Zibo

Youth Delegations		
May 29 (Thursday)	All Day	Visits and exchange activities
		Stay in Zibo
May 30 (Friday)	Morning	Visits and exchange activities
	Afternoon	Departure
Government and Business Delegations		
May 29 (Thursday)	Morning	Depart for Qingdao
	Afternoon	Visit Shandong Port Group
	Evening	Official Banquet Stay in Qingdao
May 30 (Friday)	Morning	Visit enterprises
	Afternoon	Departure
"Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Jining-Zaozhuang)		
May 28 (Wednesday)	14:00	Depart for Qufu in Jining to visit the Confucius Temple, Kong Family Mansion, and Confucius Museum
	Evening	Official Banquet Stay in Qufu
May 29 (Thursday)	Morning	Visit enterprises
	Afternoon	Depart for Zaozhuang and visit Lu Ban Memorial Hall, World Crown Pomegranate Orchard, etc.
	Evening	Official Banquet Stay in Zaozhuang
May 30 (Friday)	Morning	Visit enterprises
	Afternoon	Departure

Note:

1. The **"Window of Friendship Cities" - Shandong International Friendship Cities Development Highlights Exhibition** will be held from May 26 (Monday) to May 27 (Tuesday) in 2025 at Shandong Hotel in Jinan, Shandong Province, China.
2. The **International Friendship Cities Trade Fair** will take place from May 27 (Tuesday) to May 30 (Friday) in 2025 in Jinan, Shandong Province, China.
3. Delegations of youth representatives from friendship cities are scheduled to depart for Zibo, Shandong Province in the morning of May 28 (Wednesday) to attend the **2025 Global Youth Conference**. Invitations and the event schedule will be sent via email.



## RSVP1 (Government Delegation)

Name	Gender	Nationality & Organization (including Position)	Working Language	Dietary Restrictions	Arrival/Departure Time and Method to/from Shandong	Contact Information

## RSVP2 (Business Association and Enterprise Delegation)

Name	Gender	Nationality & Organization (including Position)	Working Language	Dietary Restrictions	Arrival/Departure Time and Method to/from Shandong	Contact Information

## RSVP3 (Youth Delegation)

Name	Gender	Nationality & Organization (including Position)	Working Language	Dietary Restrictions	Arrival/Departure Time and Method to/from Shandong	Contact Information

## RSVP4 (Media Delegation)

Name	Gender	Nationality & Organization (including Position)	Working Language	Dietary Restrictions	Arrival/Departure Time and Method to/from Shandong	Contact Information

## Conference Activity Selection Form

No.	Activity	Participation (Please tick)	Notes
1	International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	International Friendship Cities Trade Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3	"Window of Friendship Cities" - Shandong International Friendship Cities Development Highlights Exhibition	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	"One Night in Shandong" Art Performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5	"Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Zibo-Qingdao)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Only one of the two routes can be selected
	"Discover New Shandong" - Friendship Cities Business Exploration Tour (Jining-Zaozhuang)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Note: If you would like to participate in the International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking, please also fill in Attachment 4 "Information Form for Institutions Attending International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking".

Information Form for Institutions Attending  
International Friendship Cities Business Matchmaking

Name of Institution	
Area of Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Energy <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmaceuticals & Healthcare <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Industry <input type="checkbox"/> International Logistics <input type="checkbox"/> New Retail <input type="checkbox"/> Supply Chain Services <input type="checkbox"/> Business Associations <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify
Introduction of Institution	(within 100 words)
Demand for Cooperation	<input type="checkbox"/> Investment <input type="checkbox"/> Trade <input type="checkbox"/> Technological Cooperation Specific demands (within 100 words):



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