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General Socio-economic Profile

Zhengzhou, the capital of Henan Province, is located in the centre and hinterland of China. It is a strategic fulcrum city for the New Eurasian Continental Bridge, and a national central city highly supported by the central government.

Zhengzhou is a city with a profound culture. As one of the birthplaces of the Chinese nation, it has more than 8,000 years of Peiligang culture, more than 6,000 years of Dahe Village culture, more than 5,300 years of Yangshao culture, and more than 3,600 years of Shang Dynasty Wangcheng culture. Zhengzhou remains one of China's eight ancient capitals, and a renowned historical and cultural city.

Zhengzhou enjoys a prominent location with great connectivity. It is one of China's 12 highest-level interna-

tional transportation hubs. The "mi"-shaped (6 main arteries of China) high-speed rail has taken its form. Its 2-hour high-speed rail circle covers 400 million people in China, and the 2-hour aviation circle covers 90% of the country's population and market.

Zhengzhou is a city with a complete modern industrial foundation. Its six leading industries including electronic information develop alongside its modern service industry. The output of smart phones accounts for about 1/7 of the world volume, the output of Yutong buses accounts for about 1/8 of the total volume worldwide, and its frozen food accounts for more than 60% of the national market. The special-shaped shield of China Railway Shield Construction technology leads the world, and the "Zhengzhou Price" of futures trading at the Zhengzhou Commodity Exchange has a global impact.

Zhengzhou



12,600,000



7,567.9 km²

Nature Based Solutions for Circular Cities and Regions

Sustainable urban agriculture, Agrofood Chain, Foods Systems

Technologies 4.0, Industry 5.0 & Digital Economy

Tourism, Culture and Creativity

Education, jobs & skills, Innovation centres, business clusters

Regional Innovation & Smart and Sustainable Specialization Strategies (RIS 4)

Preferred Areas of Cooperation

Multi-level communication. Zhengzhou hopes to strengthen high-level visits, jointly hold economic and trade match-making activities, attract European institutions, associations and enterprises to set up offices in the city, strengthen academic exchanges and project cooperation with renowned European universities and international educational institutions, cultivate and recruit global talents, and enhance tourism cooperation and exchanges.

Technological innovation. Zhengzhou looks forward to deepening scientific and technological cooperation among innovation centers, scientific research institutions, universities and small and medium-sized enterprises, jointly building R&D centers, research institutes and branch offices, and participating in international research and development collaboration.

Industrial cooperation. The city hopes to enhance cooperation with Europe in equipment manufacturing, food processing, modern agriculture, energy conservation, environmental protection, international finance, and new-generation information technology. It also looks forward to developing industrial parks together with European counterparts.

Logistics and transportation. Zhengzhou hopes to work with European cities to open new air freight routes, expand the China-Europe freight train network, and build warehouses, logistics bases, distribution centers, so as to establish a multimodal transport system spanning Asia and Europe.