

stars China 2017 China and the World - Shifting Gears 23-28 April 2017 Shangri-La, Chengdu

Objectives:

- Gain a better understanding of China's cultural, economic, scientific, environmental and social trends and developments which will impact business and society over the next 5-10 years
- Broaden the horizon through interdisciplinary and intercultural dialogue to grasp the depth and breadth of the rapidly evolving relationship between China and the world in the 21st century, driven by China's geopolitical and strategic regional and global initiatives like the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and One Belt One Road (OBOR)
- Get on-the-ground impressions in Chengdu about the enormous potential of the "Go West" Strategy of the Chinese government, including company visits in Tianfu Software Park the so-called "Chinese Silicon Valley" among various further glimpses behind the scenes of Sichuan's successful growth story

12.30	Early Bird Programme: City Tour		Shangri-La, Lobby, 2nd Floor
16.00	Welcome Coffee		Shangri-La, Foyer, 1s Floor
17.00	Welcome Address	Toni SCHOENENBERGER , Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Stein am Rhein, Switzerland	Shangri-La, Nan Rive Room
17.30	Doing Business in Southwest China	YI Yang, Deputy Director General, Sichuan Provincial Investment Promotion Bureau, Chengdu	
	Panel Discussion	YI Yang, Deputy Director General, Sichuan Provincial Investment Promotion Bureau, Chengdu	
		Ulrich O. BIRCH, former Chairman of the Board, Southwest China Chapter, European Union Chamber of Commerce in China, former Senior Manager Consenec Ltd. (ABB), Interim Manager, Coach and Executive Advisor for China and Asia, Chongqing	
		Josef MONDL , Executive Director China, Competence Center, University of St. Gallen; President and CEO, TAO China Center, St. Gallen, Switzerland	
		Paul SIVES , Chairman of the Board, Southwest China Chapter, European Union Chamber of Commerce in China, General Manager, Proton Products, Chengdu	
19.00	Cocktails		Shangri-La, Foyer
19.30	Dinner with Representatives of Chinese and Foreign Companies based in Southwest China		Shangri-La, Fu River Room

from 06.00	Breakfast		Shangri-La, Z-Café
08.00	Departure		Shangri-La, Lobby, 2nd Floor
09.00	Tianfu Software Park: Hi-Tech Window		Tianfu Software Park
10.30	Next Space Incubator	Startup Speech 1: David CHEN , CEO, Strikingly, Chengdu	Western Innovation
		Startup Speech 2: CHING Ching , Founder, Wanle Group, Chengdu	Centre of Alibaba
		Startup Speech 3: YUJIA Guo , Co-Founder and CFO, DreamBigCareer, Chengdu	
12.00	Lunch		Intercontinental Century City Chengdu
14.00	Option 1: Company Visit : Envee Inflight Entertainment Co., Ltd.	Silas WU, CEO and Director General, Envee, Chengdu	Tianfu Software Park
	Option 2: Company Visit: XGIMI	Aaron LIAO, Founder and CFO, XGIMI, Chengdu	Tianfu Software Park
16.30	Site Visit to Swiss China Center (SCC)		Swiss China Center (SCC)
	SCC: The Platform Connecting Chinese and Overseas Entrepreneurs	Gregor CONRAD, General Manager, SCC, Chengdu	
	Innovation, Technology and Venture Capital in China - the View from Israel	Amir LATI, Consul General, Consulate General of Israel, Chengdu	
	The Chinese Venture Capital Landscape - Investment Opportunities	YUAN Hongwei , Partner, Green Pine Capital Partners, Shenzhen	
		Sharon SUN , Senior Vice President; Head, Direct Investments Group, Asia (Greater China); Head Beijing Office, GIC, Beijing, stars alumna	
	Panel Discussion		
	Cocktails and Flying Dinner, hosted by SCC		

from 06.00	Breakfast		Shangri-La, Z-Café
08.30	Competition, Cooperation and Conflict: Can China and the USA get along?	ZHANG Tuosheng , Chairman of the Research Committee, China Foundation of International and Strategic Studies, Beijing	Shangri-La, Nan Rive Room
		Michael BARBALAS , Member of the Board of Directors, American Chamber of Commerce in China, Beijing	
		HUANG Jing , Lee Foundation Professor on U.SChina Relations, Director, Centre on Asia and Globalisation, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS, Singapore	
		Urs SCHOETTLI , Consultant on Asian Affairs, former East Asia Correspondent, Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Tokyo/Mumbai	
	Panel Discussion		
10.15	Coffee Break		Shangri-La, Foyer
10.45	Soft Power as Political and Business Acumen	Michael SCHINDHELM, Author, Film Director, Lugano, Switzerland; London, UK	Shangri-La, Nan Rive Room
	Panel Discussion	Michael SCHINDHELM, Author, Film Director, Lugano, Switzerland; London, UK	
		HUANG Shan , Associate Managing Editor, Editorial Board Member, Caixin Media, Beijing, stars alumnus	
		JIANG Jun, Curator and Urbanist, China, stars alumnus	
		LIM Siong Guan , Advisor to the GIC Group Executive Committee, GIC, Singapore	
12.30	Flying Lunch		Shangri-La, Fu River Room
13.30	Departure		Shangri-La, Lobby, 2nd Floor
14.30	Company Visit: Huawei	Senior Representative of Huawei	Hi-Tech Zone
17.30	Company Visit: Sunfor and Light & Effects	CHEN Guojun, Chairman, Sunfor Group, Chengdu	Hi-Tech Zone
		ZHANG Cirui , CEO and Founder, Light & Effects, stars alumnus, Chengdu	
	Flying Dinner, hosted by Sunfor and Light & Effects		

from 06.00	Breakfast		Shangri-La, Z-Café
08.30	Doing Business in China: Infrastructure - the Building Blocks of Growth	LIN Sun , Vice General Manager, Chengdu International Railway Service Co. Ltd., Chengdu	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
		QIU Hai , Vice President, Top Range/Public Transportation, Schindler Elevator Co. Ltd., Shanghai	
		WAN Yiting , Vice President, Tusincere Science City Investment Company, Beijing	
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		WAN Yiting , Vice President, Tusincere Science City Investment Company, Beijing	
		Alice KONG , Managing Director, Wanda Cultural Industry Group, Beijing, stars alumna	
		Alan NI, Airfreight Manager, Kuehne & Nagel Ltd., Shanghai, stars alumnus	
10.15	Coffee Break		Shangri-La, Foyer
10.45	Made in China 2025: the Transformation of the World's Largest Digital Economy	David HARMON , Vice President, Public Affairs and Communications Department, Huawei, Shenzhen	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
		TAN Yinglan , Adjunct Associate Professor, National University of Singapore, Author of Chinnovation, Singapore, stars alumnus	
		ZHUANG Chengzhan , Program Manager, Konrad-Adenauer- Stiftung, Shanghai, stars alumnus	
	Panel Discussion		
12.30	Flying Lunch		Shangri-La, Fu River Room
13.30	Departure		Shangri-La, Lobby, 2nd Floor
14.30	Chengdu Planning Exhibition Hall		Tianfu Avenue
16.00	Site Visit to Singapore-Sichuan Hi-Tech Innovation Park (SSCIP)		Hi-Tech Zone
	SSCIP: the Platform for Innovation	Kelvin TEO, CEO, Sembcorp Development, Singapore	
	From Braindrain to Braingain: The Biomedical Case - Panel Discussion	Senior Representatives of Biomedical Companies located in SSCIP	
	Flying Dinner, hosted by SSCIP		
20.00	A4 Art Museum	SUN Li, Director, A4 Art Museum, Chengdu	A4 Art Museum
		LI Zhenhua, Curator, A4 Art Museum, Chengdu Michael SCHINDHELM, Author, Film Director, Lugano,	

from 06.00	Breakfast		Shangri-La, Z-Café
08.30	The International Financial Architecture - Beyond the Bretton Woods Institutions	Joachim von AMSBERG , Vice President, Policy and Strategy, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AllB), Beijing	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
		GAO Haihong , Professor and Director, Research Center for International Finance, Institute of World Economics and Politics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), Beijing	
		ZHU Jiejin , Associate Professor, School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University, Shanghai	
10.30	Coffee Break		Shangri-La, Foyer
11.00	Panel Discussion	All Speakers of the Morning	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
12.00	Flying Lunch		Shangri-La, Fu River Room
14.00	China and the World 2030: Business Opportunities and Risks	Eugene QIAN , Chairman of China Strategy Board, UBS Group, Shanghai	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
		Michael BARBALAS , Member of the Board of Directors, American Chamber of Commerce in China, Beijing	
		LIM Siong Guan , Advisor to the GIC Group Executive Committee, GIC, Singapore	
		Ulf RICHTER , Associate Professor of Global Business and Strategy, School of Economics and Management, Tongji University, Shanghai	
	Panel Discussion		
15.45	Coffee Break		Shangri-La, Foyer
16.30	China Model: Myth or Success?	HUANG Shan , Associate Managing Editor, Editorial Board Member, Caixin Media, Beijing, stars alumnus	Shangri-La, Nan River Room
		Joerg WUTTKE , President, European Union Chamber of Commerce in China; Chief Representative, BASF China, Beijing	
	Plenary Discussion		
18.15	Concluding Remarks	Toni SCHOENENBERGER , Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Stein am Rhein, Switzerland	
18.30	Cocktails and Dinner		Shangri-La, Fu River Room

Friday, 28 April 2017				
05.15	Option 1: Departure for Tibet (28 April - 2 May 2017)	Shangri-La, Lobby, 2nd Floor		
from 06.00	Breakfast	Shangri-La, Z-Café		
08.30	Option 2: Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding			
	Option 3: Individual Meetings			

Knowledge Tour Guide:

- Josef MONDL, Executive Director, China Competence Center, University of St. Gallen, President and CEO, TAO China Center, St. Gallen, Switzerland Moderation:
- Mark DITTLI, Editor in Chief, Finanz und Wirtschaft, Zurich, Switzerland
- Toni SCHOENENBERGER, Executive Chairman, stars Foundation, Stein am Rhein, Switzerland

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