

2024 China (Shenzhen) Cross Border E-commerce Development Forum successfully integrates conference and product showcase

Shenzhen, 18 March 2024. The China (Shenzhen) Cross Border E-commerce Development Forum was successfully held from 6 – 7 March 2024 at Hall 18 of the Shenzhen World Exhibition & Convention Center. Organised in collaboration with Alibaba.com, the forum served as a platform for more than 10 industry experts from diverse fields to share their extensive knowledge through five key forums. The event received an overwhelming response, with all tickets for the two-day conference selling out and attracting about 2,000 participants. Furthermore, an on-site product display area featuring over 50 manufacturers was set up, providing attendees with exceptional sourcing opportunities.



Industry leaders delved into multiple hot topics during the conference

Under the theme of "Unveiling Global Dynamics for High-Quality Growth," the forum aimed to provide valuable insights into the industry landscape for international trade companies in Guangdong, Fujian, and Guangxi. The event boasted an impressive lineup of distinguished speakers who shared their keys to achieving business success. At the main forum, Mr Zhang Kuo, President of Alibaba.com, delivered an in-depth explanation

of the strategy for cross-border market expansion. Additionally, Mr Steven Selikoff, Founder of the Product Development Incubator, an overseas buyer representative, offered a comprehensive analysis of buyers' purchasing behaviour in the digital era. The conference also witnessed the participation of nine CEOs from renowned companies who shared their experiences.

Mr Fang Zefu, General Manager of Shenzhen Manthon Technology Co Ltd, captivated the audience with his valuable success story. He emphasised the significance of digital tools on Alibaba.com, highlighting the recently launched "Smart Assistant" tool and "Alibaba Guaranteed". He said: "These tools not only facilitate operations but also represent prevailing industry trends. Having attended similar conferences in the past, I gained inspiration and launched my own business. Today I am here to inspire and share my experience with the newcomers in the industry. I am optimistic about the industry's prospects, especially in the second half of this year and next year."

Another engaging session shed light on trends formation and its impact on various aspects of the industry. Ms Men Shuping, Trend Director of WGSN China, explained their globally recognised trend forecasting methodology. She said: "While we don't explicitly disclose specific trends, we provide inspiration and insights that empower our audience to think creatively and integrate them into their product designs, allowing room for their own imaginative contributions."

The event also featured four topical forums that delved into crucial subjects such as exploring business opportunities in different markets, expanding into overseas markets for newcomers, industry forecasts, and maximising Alibaba Guaranteed. These sessions equipped participants with comprehensive knowledge of global business opportunities and effective strategies for international expansion.

The forum successfully attracted attendees from various industries. Ms Xiong Jing, Sales Manager of Shenzhen Meloyuan Technology Co Ltd, expressed her interest in the forum's topic. She remarked: "I am particularly interested in gaining a deeper understanding of the new Alibaba Guaranteed and how this model can drive our business growth. Additionally, I have been able to acquire vital information regarding Alibaba's operational direction and taxation matters."

At the display area, attendees had the invaluable opportunity to engage directly with manufacturers for in-depth discussion. Ms Zhan Yongping, Business Manager of Shenzhen Sectec Technology Co Ltd, a solar surveillance camera producer, shared her experience as an exhibitor, said: "We have a presence on both the Alibaba.com and 1688.com platforms. Our goal is to establish collaborative opportunities with customer groups and sellers through this conference. The number of attendees is promising, we have already connected with quality leads that are open for further business cooperation."

China (Shenzhen) Cross Border E-commerce Development Forum is co-organised by Messe Frankfurt (Shenzhen) Co Ltd, China Merchants Exhibition Management (Shenzhen) Co Ltd, Shenzhen OCT Exhibition & Convention management Co Ltd, Beijing Talent International Exhibition Co Ltd and Alibaba.com. The next edition will be held in 2025. In addition, the China (Shenzhen) Cross Border E-commerce Fair will be held from 11 to 13 September 2024. For more information, please visit www.ccbec-shenzhen.com.

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