

Informatization Developments in the Asia-Pacific Region

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Coordination Secretariat of The Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization

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The Cooperation Office for CIAPR is Established

With the vigorous support of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, United Nations Development Programme, Shanghai Municipal People's Government, Ministry of Information Industry of China, the Chinese Academy of Sciences; under the direct instruction of Mr. Chen Liangyu, the executive vice mayor of Shanghai and chairman of RCCHFCI (the Cooperation Committee of the Informatization in the Asia-Pacific Region), the Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI) is officially established and put into operation.

The positions of one director and four deputy-directors are set up in RCCHFCI . Besides, there are also technical experts on city informatization websites and experts on city informatization working for the office. The office is subdivided into six Departments including the coordination secretariat, the Liaison and Cooperation Department, the CIAPR preparation Department, the Training Department, the Information Technology Department and the Resources Department. The Coordination Secretariat is responsible for the overall programming and planning of the whole office as well as office administration including the running expense and the personnel arrangement . The Liaison and Cooperation Department is in charge of the contact with cities in the Asia-Pacific region, the organization of exhibits on city informatization and promoting the development and exchange of cooperation projects between and among cities. The CIAPR preparation Department is engaged in the preparation of the annual conference of CIAPR. The Training Department has the responsibilities for drawing up training plans on city informatization in the Asia-Pacific region and work on the Organization and Administration Training Center. The Information Technology Department takes charge of the construction and maintenance of the info-net, i.e. WWW.APCITY.ORG as well as the collection,

dissemination and announcement of information on city informatization in the Asia-Pacific region. The Resources Department is responsible for the exploration and development of various resources available for the RCOCI.

At present, all Departments of RCOCI are undergoing active cooperation and exchange on city informatization and information industry. The CIAPR II has been under enthusiastic preparation, the primary framework has been formed and will be sent to relevant cities for consultation. The cooperation and exchanges between and among cities in the Asia-Pacific region have been widely extended. The intention of cooperating with cities and countries such as Singapore, Hongkong, Macao, the state of California in the United States and India has been created. The website specialized for RCCHFCI has been undergone complete reconstruction. The reconstructed CIAPR website will provide informatized consultation and knowledge exchange for cities in the Asia-Pacific region and at the same time serves as the office platform for the RCOCI. The IT training service has been pushing forward in good order.

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RCOCI is willing to provide a service platform for communication, exchange and cooperation between and among cities, governments, enterprises and other organizations in the Asia-Pacific region and the rest of the world. We are sincerely in need of your help and support.