

Wuhan bureau completes foreign-talent authentication in 2 days

By Xiao Juan

Long Hanping, a Chinese American, was approved as foreign high-level talent and the approval to apply for permanent residence was publicized on the Online Platform of Wuhan International Talents Freeport on May 2.

Long was among the first batch of foreign enterprise executives to finish authentication since Wuhan Municipal Bureau of Talent Recruitment rolled out measures on April 16 to facilitate the online application for permanent residence in China for foreign high-end talent. Together with Long, three other foreign experts also finished the process. All of them are from the Optics Valley.

The latest trial regulation on recommendations of foreign high-end talent to apply for permanent residence formulated and implemented in Wuhan Comprehensive Innovation and Reform Pilot Zone makes it more convenient for foreign high-level talent to apply for a Foreign

Permanent Resident ID Card. During his entrepreneurship in Wuhan, Long was selected for the list of "Hundred Talent Program of Hubei Province" and the "3551 Optics Valley Talent Program."

An officer from East Lake High-tech Development Zone Branch of Wuhan Municipal Public Security Bureau noted that his membership in the "Hundred Talent Program" and the "3551 Program" were enough to qualify Long for application, and therefore no need for him to submit proof of income and tax payments, certificates of education and background check. Consequently, only two working days were needed for his qualification to be approved.

Recently, East Lake High-tech Development Zone had made a thorough survey of the high-end talent and found that more than 50 foreign persons want permanent residency. The relevant departments will take the initiative to contact them and provide them customized approval services.

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Hubei FTZ issues 1st confirmation letter for foreign talent

Chen Yongliang, a Canadian PhD employed by Yichang Humanwell Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., received on May 2 a confirmation letter of foreign talent. It was the first confirmation letter in the Hubei Free Trade Zone (FTZ) since the Hubei Provincial Foreign Experts Affairs Bureau formally started the service of granting the confirmation letter of foreign high-end talent on March 1.

The qualified foreign high-end talent, after submitting the application materials such as the confirmation letter for foreign high-end talent, can receive foreign talent visas valid for 5-to-10 years, with multiple entries and 180-day stays each time, and accordingly, their spouses and dependants can also receive the same period of validity.

Wuhan-based, state-owned company builds Pakistan's largest airport

By Han Wei

The new Islamabad International Airport, built by China Construction Third Engineering Bureau based in Wuhan, officially commenced operations on May 1.

Located in the southwestern suburb of the city, about 40 kilometers away from Islamabad, the capital of Pakistan, the new Islamabad International Airport is the largest one in Pakistan in terms of passenger capacity, capable of serving 15 million passengers every year. It is replacing the old international airport that has grown inadequate to deal with the increasing passenger demand.

The plane-shaped terminal consists of a major building and three departure lounges extending northward, eastward, and southward. The central part of the building has three floors above ground, with a small four-story wing. It spreads out over 20,000 square meters, accommodating various facilities like VIP lounges, duty-free stores, infant care rooms, restaurants, and a movie theatre.

Most of the equipment and construction materials were imported from China. The seven-year project has created over 150 administrative posts and over 3,000 jobs for local residents.

Hubei table-tennis club debuts internationally

Three young players of the Wuhan Safe Hundred Percent Table Tennis Club flew to Spain on May 6 to take part in the ITTF Spanish Junior & Cadet Open. The players will also compete on May 16 at the ITTF Challenge Thailand Open held in Bangkok. It is the first time that a Hubei table-tennis team had the chance to participate in international competitions on behalf of the Chinese national team.

The Chinese Table Tennis Association changed its policy which previously allowed only the national team to participate in international competitions. It now grants the right of participating in some international competitions to local clubs.

Next-generation bullet train Fuxing departs Wuhan

By Zhang Quanlu

The Fuxing G1117 train began its first run on May 4 in Wuhan on the Wuhan-Guangzhou high-speed railway. This is the first time a Fuxing EMU (electric multiple units) train have departed from Wuhan. From May 4 to 6, four "Fuxing" trains G1117, G1103, G1105, and G1133 started their journey from Wuhan and travelled to Guangzhou South Railway Station. Prior to this, Fuxing trains would pass through Wuhan on the way to their destinations.

At 11:45 A.M. on May 4, a Fuxing G1117 departed promptly for its destination to Guangzhou travelling at an average speed of 350 kilometers per hour.

