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The 5th FEALAC Cyber Secretariat Workshop

The 5th FEALAC Cyber Secretariat Workshop was held under the theme of 'Strengthening Solidarity through Expanding FEALAC-wide Projects.' In his welcoming remarks, Mr. Lim Ki-Mo, Deputy Director-General for Latin American and Caribbean Affairs Bureau (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea), evaluated that the shared cooperative spirit among our member states is represented through FEALAC Projects.



The 5th FEALAC Cyber Secretariat Workshop took place on March 12, 2015 in Seoul, Korea. The first and the second session were moderated by Mr. Songsak Saicheua (Thailand, Ministry of Foreign Affairs) and Mr. Lim Ki-Mo (Republic of Korea, Ministry of Foreign Affairs), respectively. Speakers from Thailand, Argentina, Indonesia, Brazil, Japan, and Ecuador made presentations on the current status and prospect of FEALAC-wide projects proposed in the previous meetings. In the second session, speakers from Costa Rica, Korea, Colombia, Brunei, China, Uruguay, and Vietnam introduced proposals for new FEALAC-wide projects. In addition, a Coordination Meeting was held before the workshop between the Working Group Co-Chairs from Ecuador, Vietnam, China, Argentina, Japan, Brazil, Korea, and the two Regional Coordinators from Costa Rica and Thailand.

More than 60 participants from 33 member countries made the event more fruitful by engaging in insightful and constructive discussions throughout the workshop. In addition, participants further strengthened the partnership between the two regions through formulating a range of FEALAC-wide initiatives to embrace wider engagement across the FEALAC member countries.

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Investment Opportunities

The initiative for Investment Opportunities Database was put forward by Argentina, with technical supports from Republic of Korea and the Cyber Secretariat. The main function of this database is to share information on vast investment opportunities in FEALAC member countries. The exchange of information will help the private sector in our member countries to build strategic partnership with other members, attract investment, and enhance trade flows between East Asia and Latin America.

In line with the decisions made in the previous Working Group Meetings, and with financial contributions from Argentina, the Cyber Secretariat has created a database section for investment opportunities on its official FEALAC website (www.fealac.org).

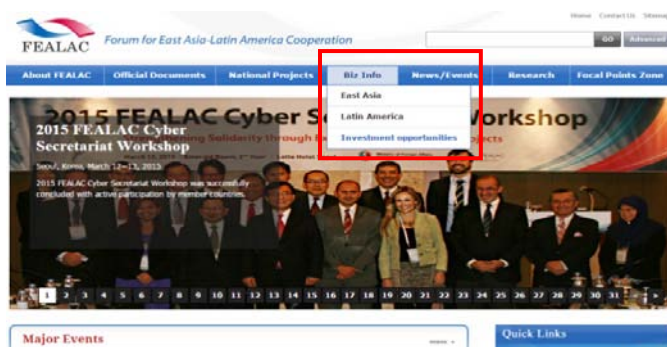
This online database will enable our member countries to easily identify feasible investment projects through an elaborate search engine. Focal points are requested to fill in relevant project information, in coordination with other responsible institutions, into the given database entries, and manage inquiries received from potential investors.

The Database can be found in the 'Investment Opportunities' section, under 'Biz Info' on the main page of the FEALAC website.

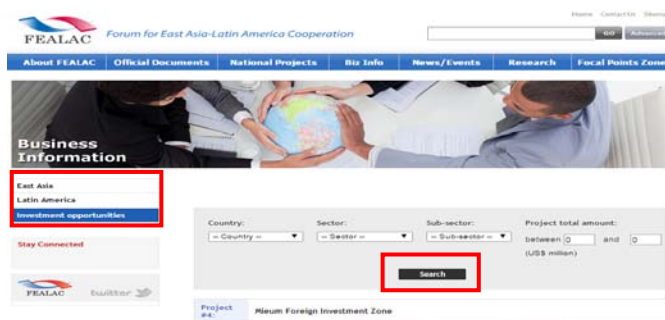
*** For any inquiries about the Investment Opportunities Database, please contact: cybersecretariat@fealac.org

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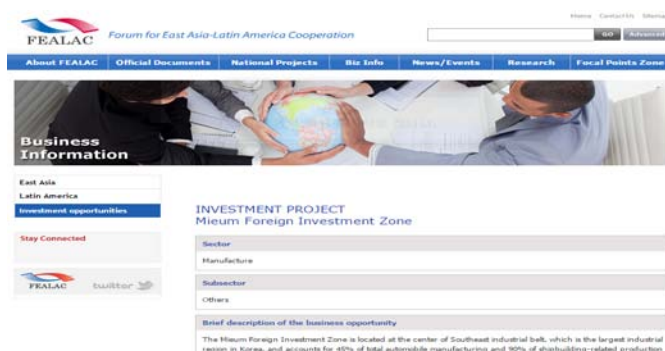
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2. Business Information → Search



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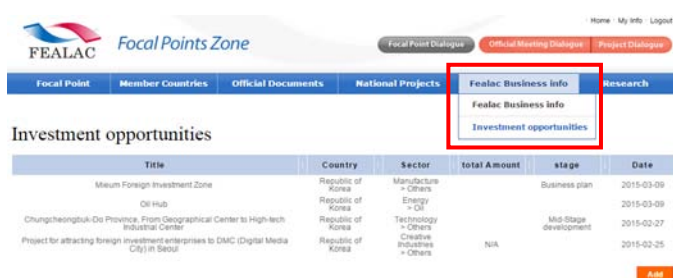


II. How-to: Data Entry

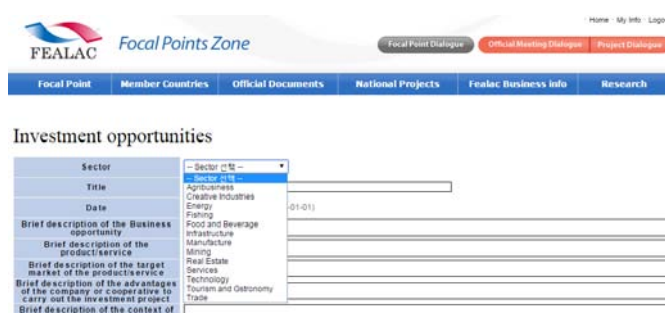
1. Access Focal Points Zone (enter ID & Password)



2. Business info → Investment Opportunities



3. Click 'Add' → Enter Data → Add



Announcements

FEALAC Events

✧ The 7th Foreign Ministers' Meeting (FMM)

- Date: 19-21 Aug. 2015
- Venue: San José, Costa Rica
- A bulletin board for FMM will be operated within the Focal Point Zone from the 2nd week of May.

FEALAC Website

✧ Investment Opportunities

- As featured in the newsletter, an online database for Investment Opportunities has been created on our website (www.fealac.org). Member countries are encouraged to actively utilize the said section.

2015 National Projects

Confirmed projects, as in April 2015

Country	Project	Date
China	3rd Latin American Art Season and 2nd Caribbean Music Festival	May (TBD)
Korea	Industry-Academic Collaboration	June (TBD)
Mexico	Course on Spanish Language for Foreign Diplomats	Jun.29-Aug.31
Mexico	Course on Mexican Foreign Policy for Foreign Diplomats	Jul.15-29
China	6th Seminar for Young Cadres of Latin America and the Caribbean	July (TBD)
China	Seminar for the Caribbean Officials of Law Enforcement	July (TBD)
China	6th Forum of Friendship between the English-spoken Countries in the American and Oceanic Continent	August (TBD)
Peru	FEALAC Network of Institutions engaged in Research, Prevention and Control of Tropical and Emerging Diseases	Web to launch in August
China	The 2nd FEALAC-Law Forum	Aug.15
Mexico	Course on Mexican Foreign Policy for Latin American and Caribbean Diplomats	Sept.23-Oct.7
China	Seminar for the Latin American Officials of Law Enforcement	October (TBD)
China	Seminar for the political parties between China and Latin America and the Caribbean	November (TBD)
Korea	FEALAC Youth Forum	December (TBD)
Colombia	Network of Scientific and Technological Convergence (Phase II : Nano-Bio)	Apr-Dec. 2015
Argentina /Korea	FEALAC Investment Opportunity Database	Ongoing (www.fealag.org)

Focal Points

✧ Request for Updates

- The Cyber Secretariat will soon distribute the following forms to FEALAC Focal Points:

- Business Information Form
- Tourism Information Form

- The main objective for circulating the above two forms is to enhance mutual understanding among FEALAC member countries, as well as regional understanding between East Asia and Latin America, through exchange of information.

- Once distributed, all focal points are requested to fill in the forms and submit it to the Cyber Secretariat. It will be uploaded to our website.

✧ The 'FEALAC Intranet User Guideline' is also scheduled to be distributed in the 2nd week of May.

- The Intranet System provides a web space for dialogue, where member countries can share documents and discuss about national projects and other agendas.

FEALAC Newsletter

The FEALAC Newsletter aims to enhance communication among FEALAC member countries through dissemination of information on the activities of FEALAC and the Cyber Secretariat. The articles contained in this Newsletter do not necessarily reflect the official views of FEALAC and the Cyber Secretariat. We welcome readers' comments and suggestions. Any inquiries about this Newsletter should be addressed to: cybersecretariat@fealac.org.