Recently, the Lancang-Mekong Innovation Think Tank (LMITT) Inaugural and its first council meeting was held in Kunming. Researcher Wang Zehua, director of Yunnan Academy of Science and Technology, was elected president of the think tank. Fifty-one other experts were named members of its scholar team.

As an essential part of the Lancang-Mekong Cooperation, Yunnan Province enjoys superior natural and intellectual resources. The Yunnan Academy of Science and Technology Development proposed the establishment of this distinctive think tank, aiming at promoting system innovation and accelerated development. The think tank’s website is now online.

The think tank focuses on fact research, case study, international cooperation and exchanges within the Lancang-Mekong Sub-region. It will provide intellectual support and technical services for government decision-making regarding regional economic and social development.

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Five new pavilions will be set up at the 4th China-South Asia Expo and the 24th China Kunming Import and Export Fair, contributing to a 40% increase in exposition area. A Yunnan official said when interviewed exclusively by Yunnan Daily.

Liu Qilin, Director of Yunnan International Expositions Bureau, added that the newly-added pavilions are intended to promote South Asian products, international collaboration on production capacity, information industries, holistic tourism and Yunnan-featured produces. “Beside the traditional China-South Asia Business Forum, ASEAN Overseas Chinese Entrepreneurs Conference, and GMS Economic Corridor Week, new forums will be held during the 4th Expo, including Forum of International Collaboration on Production Capacity, Workshop on Development of China’s Free Trade Areas, and Forum on Cross-Border Tourism,” said Liu Qilin.

During the past three sessions, the Expo has been highlighted by varied forums themed around international cooperation. According to Liu, eight pavilions out of 18 are designated to foreign businesses, including two ASEAN pavilions, two South Asian pavilions, one international pavilion, and another pavilion for businesses from Japan, Korea, Hong Kong and Macao.

In total, more than 50% of the booths on the coming Expo are dedicated to foreign businesses. “As of now, more than 50 countries from South Asia, Southeast Asia, Northeast Asia, Europe, America, Africa and Oceania have confirmed their attendance to the Expo,” said the official.

To make the Expo better known to the international community, we will invite more world’s top 500 enterprises, foreign envoys and dignitaries, as well as celebrities, said Liu. On the first two days during the coming 4th Expo, only professional buyers are allowed to enter, and this new measure aims to create a better environment for business negotiations, according to Liu.

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