

# Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Embracing the Future through Innovation and Collaboration 创新协作,共建未来

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#### Suzhou – A Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Laureate

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Suzhou has undergone remarkable transformation over the past two decades. The significance of its transformation lies in the city's success in meeting the multiple challenges of achieving economic growth in order to create jobs and a better standard of living for its people; balancing rapid urban growth with the need to protect its cultural and built heritage; and coping with a large influx of migrant workers while maintaining social stability.



Skyline of Jinji Lake Central Business District © Department of Publicity of Suzhou Industrial Park

# **Key Details**



#### **WCS Mayors Forum**

- Forum Chairman: Minister Lawrence Wong (Singapore)
- Forum Host: Mayor Dr Qu Futian (Suzhou)
- Forum Moderator: Nicholas You
- Number of Mayors :80-100 (estimate)



Forum Venue – Kempinski Suzhou Hotel

### **Interactive Forum Format**





- Imperial hollow roundtable format with interactive moderated discussion sessions involving participants in the room
- 4 main Forum Sessions, each session offering 3 short case study presentations by mayors to briefly highlight best practices and urban innovations
- Following the case studies, a short presentation by an International Organisation leader
- Then a moderated roundtable discussion where mayors and participants are encouraged to contribute to the discourse



#### "Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Embracing the Future through Innovation and Collaboration"

| Wednesday                     | Thursday                                      |                            | Friday                           | Saturday            |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 17 May 2017                   | 18 May 2017                                   |                            | 19 May 2017                      | 20 May 2017         |
| Pre-Forum day:                | Young Leaders                                 | Lee Kuan Yew World City    | Day 2 Opening Session            |                     |
| Arrivals &                    | Symposium                                     | Prize Alumni Breakfast     | Forum Session 3: The Tenacity of | Site Visits         |
| Transfers from                | (by invitation only)                          | (by invitation only)       | a City: A Resilient and          | (TBC)               |
| Shanghai airports             |   |                            | Sustainable Environment          |                     |
|                               |   |                            | Networking Break                 |                     |
|                               |   | Site Visits                | Forum Session 4: Engines of      | Possible Co-located |
|                               |   |                            | Growth: Balancing Liveability    | Events              |
|                               |   | Possible Co-located Events | with Growth                      |                     |
|                               |   |                            | Closing Session                  |                     |
|                               |   |                            | Post-MF Press Conference         |                     |
| Possible Co-located<br>events | Networking Lunch (for both YLS and MF)        |                            | Closing Lunch                    | Transfers &         |
|                               | Opening Session                               |                            | Site Visits                      | Departures          |
|                               | Forum Session 1: Advancements and             |                            |                                  |                     |
|                               | Challenges of Cities: Planning and Governance |                            |                                  |                     |
|                               | Networking Break                              |                            |                                  |                     |
| Press Conference              | Forum Session 2: Curating the City: Heritage  |                            | Possible Co-located Events       |                     |
|                               | and Culture                                   |                            |                                  |                     |
| Pre-Forum                     | Welcome Dinner                                |                            | Closing Banquet                  |                     |
| Reception                     | (Jinji Lake Hotel)                            |                            | (Kempinski Hotel)                |                     |
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#### Proposed Theme and Session Topics for WCS MF 2017

- WCS Mayors Forum Theme:
  - "Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Embracing the Future through Innovation and Collaboration"
- Mayors Forum Session Topic 1:
  - "Advancements and Challenges of Cities: Planning and Governance"
- Mayors Forum Session Topic 2:
  - "Curating the City: Heritage and Culture"
- Mayors Forum Session Topic 3:
  - "The Tenacity of a City: A Resilient and Sustainable Environment"
- Mayors Forum Session Topic 4:
  - "Engines of Growth: Balancing Liveability with Growth"

# **Networking Events**



- Pre-Forum Reception (17 May)
- Lunches (18 & 19 May)
- Welcome Dinner (18 May)
- Closing Banquet (19 May)



Welcome Dinner at Jinji Lake Grand Hotel

**Closing Banquet at Kempinski Hotel** 

#### **Site Visits**





**Tiger Hill** 

Pan Gate

**SIP Planning Gallery** 



Suzhou Museum



Humble Administrator's Garden



**Ping Jiang District**