

IUC Urban Cooperation Action Plan (U-CAP) Summary

City:	Zhengzhou	AKK, Málaga, Rome, Nice
Province, State, Department...:	Henan	Greece, Andalucía, Lazio, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur
Country:	China	Spain, France, Italy
Population:	10 million	N/A
Size (km²)	7,446 km ²	N/A
Period of cooperation	March 2017 until November 2018	
Cooperation Themes:	Logistics, Mobility Smart Cities & Digital Transition	
Related SDGs and Urban Agenda topics:	SDG9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure EU Urban Agenda Topics: Digital Transition, Urban Mobility, Jobs & Skills in Local Economy	
Key focus of cooperation themes:	<p>Smart Cities & Digital Transition: Involving European counterparts in testing new technology solutions in Zhengzhou in areas like urban mobility and cultural heritage.</p> <p>Innovation / Start-Ups: Exploring tailored collaboration between innovation partners from the EU pilot cities and Zhengzhou-based technology innovation centers.</p>	
Key challenges of cooperation theme:	To define a long-term cooperation mechanism that allows the implementation of the pilot projects.	
Main objectives of cooperation as described in the U-CAP:	Facilitate and launch concrete cooperation projects in the above-mentioned fields and advance to thematic networking through cluster UCAPs	
Short description of main activities and key outputs (e.g. pilot projects):	<p>→ April 2017: A delegation of Zhengzhou Municipal People's Government visited Málaga and discussed details on further cooperation under the IUC programme of city-city cooperation on sustainable urban development from previous meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wide press coverage of Zhengzhou visit achieved in Málaga and Zhengzhou local media. ○ MoU signed between Andalusia Smart City Cluster and Zhengzhou Municipal People's Government. 	



→ **June 2017:** Visit of Zhengzhou to Málaga in Spain. Organisation of Andalucía – China Business Conference with presentations by senior managers of European and Chinese companies including:

- China Railway Engineering,
- New Dafang Heavy Industry
- Henan Import Goods Public Bond Center
- Yutong Bus (biggest e-bus producer in China)
- Yugang Real Estate

During the exchanges, a detailed **cooperation agreement** between the Andalucía Smart City Cluster and Zhengzhou Municipal People's Government as a concrete follow-up to the MoU signed in April 2017. Both parties agreed on the construction of a *China-Europe Smart City Pilot Zone Project* in Zhengzhou to serve as a demonstration project for Sustainable Master Planning & Construction of the Smart City.

Additionally, the Málaga City Council and Zhengzhou Municipal Government agreed to deepen its overall cooperation with the support of the IUC Project.

→ **June 2017:** Visit of Zhengzhou to Agii Anargiri-Kamatero (AAK) in Greece. MoU signed on the following fields:

- Mobility and Infrastructure
- Logistics and Trade
- Innovation Hub for Greek SMEs

→ **October 2017:** Hosting a visit from EU pilot cities delegates to Zhengzhou. Workshop with DRC Zhengzhou, cluster meetings in logistic sector, smart city and urban development, technology innovation. Visit to Zhengdong Economic Development Zone in Zhengzhou.

→ **April 2018:** Participation at start-up (mid-term) meeting with EU, NDRC, further Chinese cities and the IUC team in Beijing. Discussion of possible cooperation areas and steps.

→ **July 2018:** Zhengzhou hosts the EU-China High Level Seminar on Regional Policy and welcomes several European cities delegates.

- Several field visits organised to Zhengzhou Economic Zone, the Logistic and Industrial Zone



Expected results and benefits:

- and [Zhengdong New Area](#) and [Zhengzhou Airport Economy Zone \(ZAEZ\)](#).
 - Exploring collaboration on e-mobility with [Yutong Bus](#) (biggest e-bus producer in China)
 - Coordination with several stakeholders from Zhengzhou for the collaboration in smart city topics, including the [Chengang Group](#) in [Zhengdong New Area](#).
 - [Zhengzhou](#) City Government signs five MoUs with EU pilot cities.
- [September 2018](#): Mission of Zhengzhou and Henan DRC to Nice, Granada and Rome. Workshops in all three cities with representatives from local government, universities and business sectors.
 - Definition of six detailed cooperation proposals between Nice and Chinese cities, including Zhengzhou.
 - Definition of next steps and roadmap for cooperation with Granada and Rome.
- [November 2018](#): Meeting between Zhengzhou and EU delegates during the “EU-China Cooperation Forum on Innovative and Smart Cities” in (Beijing).
 - [Video interview](#) of Li Weitao, DRC Zhangzhou Director for the IUC project
- Smart city and digital transition: involving European counterparts in the development of new technology solutions with [Chengang Group](#) from [Zhengdong New Area](#).
- Test innovative urban mobility solutions with Chinese companies in Zhengzhou including Yutong Bus and [Zhengzhou Tiamaes Technology](#), including intelligent transportation systems (ITS).
- Development of training activities with [Chengang Group](#) from [Zhengdong New Area](#) in advanced manufacturing.
- Innovation: Start-Ups: Developing tailored EU cities – Zhengzhou Technology Innovation Center / Open Incubator





- Explore further cooperation with European cities in the *logistics sector*, especially in the railway connectivity and e-commerce (warehousing – Zhengzhou Bonded Zone).
- Explore *research and education cooperation* between the University of Zhengzhou and counterparts in the EU pilot cities in areas relevant to sustainable urban/regional economic development, including mobility, biotechnology, and agriculture.
- Explore research cooperation in the cultural heritage between the Research Centre on Historical Protection of Zhengzhou University and European counterparts (especially Rome).

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