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GTO News

Job Offer

The German Trade Office Taipei (GTO) is offering a position as Manager Media & Communications.

The GTO is the official delegation of German Industry and Commerce and a member of the German Chambers of Commerce Worldwide Network with offices in over 80 countries. Established in 1981, the GTO actively promotes economic relations between Taiwan and Germany and represents the interest of German business in Taiwan. The office covers activities from supporting business delegations, offering investment consulting, releasing publications to organizing symposiums and networking events.

For details about the job description, candidate profile and application procedure please download the German job advertisement [here](#).

Wind Energy Taiwan 2017

The very first "Wind Energy Taiwan" is organized by SEMI Taiwan and is co-located with PV Taiwan, Green TransportTaiwan and HFC Taiwan. The German Trade Office Taipei is organizing a German Joint Booth at the exhibition showcasing German products, technique and technology in the wind energy industry.

- Show Dates: 18-20 Oct. 2017
- Venue: Nangang Exhibition Center

German Joint Booth Package:

1. The German Joint Booth package includes booth construction, assembly and dismantling work, booth rental, organization, as well as basic electricity consumption.
2. Exhibitors will have their own display desk with a flexible design template. Own roll-ups or posters are allowed to be set up at the exhibitors individual booth(s).
3. There will be a central reception at the joint booth, as well as lounge for meetings and talks during the whole time of the show.

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In Taiwan father's day is celebrated on August 8th.

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- The joint booth will be promoted by the German Trade Office Taipei before and during the show via newsletter, website, press releases and social media channels.

More information about the total package of the German Joint Booth Package can be found [here](#).

If you are interested in being an exhibitor, please kindly contact Sonja Wu, wu.sonja@taiwan.ahk.de, +886 2 8758 5824

2017 Asia- Pacific Regional Conference in Perth (Australia)
From November 3rd-5th, the Asia-Pacific Regional Conference (APRC), the most significant bilateral conference between Germany and Australia will redefine the depth and breadth of economic linkages between the two countries. Political and business leaders will explore new investment and trade opportunities with a special focus on growth in the Asia-Pacific region.

Learn about the challenges and opportunities in the Asia-Pacific region. Experts from Austrade and Germany Trade and Invest (GTAI) will be on hand to facilitate one-on-one meetings.

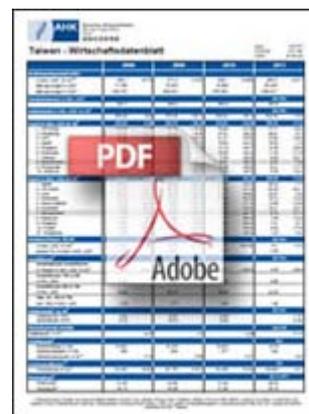
To find out more and to register please click [here](#).

All-Chamber Autumn Happy Hour 2017

The All Chamber Happy Hour this autumn will be at the Wet Bar in W Hotel Taipei! The All Chambers Happy Hour is always well attended and it offers a great networking opportunity with the Taipei Chambers network in a beautiful and relaxed setting. Your BCCT has worked with W Hotel to prepare a special selection of cocktails for this event!

Registration and further information, please contact Ms. Leonie Yang, Tel.: +886-2-8758-5821; Email: yang.leonie@taiwan.ahk.de

Taiwan Economic Factsheet



GTO Event Calendar

GERMAN TRADE OFFICE TAIPEI			
Upcoming Events			
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Date	Event	Location	Contact Person
15 August	Workshop Investment and Trade Opportunity in Germany and Austria (Germany)	Taipei Trade Center	Ms. Angelika Liu, Angelika.Liu@germany-taipei.de
25 August	Wind Energy Investment	WEDC Hall 2, Taipei	Ms. Robert Henner, Robert.Henner@germany-taipei.de
27 August	Science - Germany Recruitment on National Education and Science Day	Taipei Trade Office	Ms. Leonie Yang, Leonie.Yang@germany-taipei.de
31 August - 1 September	Taipei Fall Conference Exhibition	Taipei Marriott Hotel	Ms. Sonja Wu, Sonja.Wu@germany-taipei.de
01 September	CEO "Wirtschaftskommunikation"	Grand Hyatt Hotel	Ms. Leonie Yang, Leonie.Yang@germany-taipei.de
02 - 03 September	IFA Berlin (Finance Pavilion)	Messe Berlin, Germany	Ms. Leonie Yang, Leonie.Yang@germany-taipei.de
03 - 06 September	Service Taiwan (Service Pavilion)	1-Area, Nangang Exhibition Hall, TF	Ms. Sonja Wu, Sonja.Wu@germany-taipei.de
06 September	German Showcase	1-Place Main stage, Nangang Exhibition Center	Ms. Robert Henner, Robert.Henner@germany-taipei.de
11 September	Green Building Design Forum	Sungshan Cultural and Creative Park	Ms. Leonie Yang, Leonie.Yang@germany-taipei.de



Economic News

Survey: Taiwan retirees weak on financial planning
Retirees in Taiwan are weak in financial planning to take care of their retirement, a survey released by Schroders Taiwan said. There has been a tendency for Taiwan's retirees to depend on the government for their retirement, in particular local female retirees appeared overly dependent on their spouses or their children, Francine Wu, president of Schroders Taiwan said. Almost 50 % of respondents in the survey said that they did not have financial planning, while 33 % of the respondents said they needed someone else's financial support for their retirement. ([Focus Taiwan](#), 02.08.2017)

Real-estate sales decline 16 percent
Housing sales declined 16.2 % in major municipalities last month from a month earlier as price differences between sellers and buyers widened again after transactions climbed to an 18-month high in June. Housing transactions totaled 17,062 units in Taipei, New Taipei City, Taoyuan, Taichung, Tainan and Kaohsiung. New Taipei City reported the steepest pace of decline at 24.8 percent, with transactions standing at 4,223 units, followed by a 19.3 % fall to 2,809 units in Taichung and a 15.7% drop to 1,490 units in Tainan, local government data showed. Transactions shrank 11.3% to 2,969 units in Kaohsiung, while falling by 9.7 % and 7.7% to 1,976 units and 3,214 units in Taipei and Taoyuan. The seasonality might slow the pace of recovery, but it might not disrupt it altogether, Tseng Ching-der, research manager at Sinyi Realty Inc, said. ([Taipei Times](#), 03.08.2017)

Taiwan's manufacturing, service activity accelerates
Activity in Taiwan's manufacturing and service sectors showed signs of accelerating in July. The improvement in both sectors shows that Taiwan's

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Glossary

DGBAS	Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics
ECFA	Economic Cooperation Framework Agreement
ITRI	Industrial Technology Research Institute

economy remains on the road to recovery. The monthly report of CIER, one of Taiwan's leading economic think tanks, shows that the manufacturing sector's purchasing managers index (PMI) for July rose 1.4 points from a month earlier to 59.0. CIER is one of the local think tanks to raise its forecast for Taiwan's gross domestic product (GDP) growth for 2017 to more than 2 percent, compared with a 1.5 percent increase seen in 2016. The non-manufacturing index (NMI) for the service sector for July also rose 1.8 points from a month earlier to 54.8. ([Focus Taiwan](#), 01.08.2017)

Universiade to bring over USD 331 mio. to the economy
The upcoming Taipei Universiade will pump more than USD 331m mio. into the economy, an Education Ministry report said. But that's against its total price tag of USD 562,9 mio., USD 245 mio. of which is coming from the central government. The sporting event is expected to bring in USD 245 mio in direct businesses and USD 152,3 mio. in added-value business, creating around 15,000 temporary jobs. The Universiade runs from Aug. 19 to 30, with events held in Taipei as well as across Northern Taiwan. It is the largest international tournament to ever be held in the country. ([China Post](#), 04.08.2017)



Environment and Green Technologies

Gogoro launches the first solar-powered battery-swapping station

Taiwan-based electric scooter manufacturer Gogoro launched its first solar-powered battery-swapping station Friday in the Bali District of New Taipei City, the GoStation is roofed with 2.3 kilowatts of solar panels. They can generate up to 6.21 kilowatt hours daily under different weather conditions, said the manufacturer. "The city government had actively been looking for measures to reduce greenhouse gas and air pollution. Collaborating with Gogoro for the first solar-powered battery-swapping station in the world is of significance," said the city government. Gogoro also said that the computer screen at the solar-powered GoStation will show information about electricity provision, reduction in CO2 emissions and timber cutting, so that scooter owners can be more aware of the environment they help protect. ([Taiwan News](#), 29.07.2017)



Other News

Taichung surpasses Kaohsiung as second largest city
For the first time, Taichung is having a higher population than Kaohsiung with 2,778,182 residents in total. Mayor Lin said, "Taichung has become an adult now" and has developed to follow New Taipei with nearly 4 million residents as the second biggest city in Taiwan. The city's population growth is based on natural development with higher birth than death rates and more people moving to the city. Kaohsiung is struggling to keep its population as more white-collar jobs are located in Taiwan's north and thereby attract citizens to move to these regions. ([Taiwan News](#), 02.08.2017)

MOEA	Ministry of Economic Affairs
MOF	Ministry of Finance
MOFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
MOI	Ministry of the Interior
MOST	Ministry of Science and Technology
TAITRA	Taiwan External Trade Development Council
TSMC	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company

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