



<b>Activity Title and Number:</b> Distance learning / Dissemination and Capacity Building at provincial level A349-C2 EU-China Seminar on Automobiles	<b>Beneficiary:</b> Ministry of Commerce of the PRC (MOFCOM), European Delegation to China and Mongolia (EUDEL)
<b>Location and Date:</b> Hubei Province, China. 11-12, November 2014	<b>Stakeholders:</b> Shanghai University of International Business and Economics Department; Province Departments of Commerce (DofCOMs); Local City Bureaus of Commerce (BofCOMs); Hubei Standardization Institute; other universities, Customers and local industries as applicable

## Brief Activity Report

### Relevance and Impact

EUCTP II and MOFCOM have agreed a national dissemination strategy to ensure that the learnings from EUCTP II activities on quality infrastructure - seminars, workshops and conferences - are disseminated across national and provincial authorities, regulators, and trade technical bodies responsible for enforcing trade rules. The content of the activities is being converted into open source e-learning modules that will be disseminated by Shanghai University, enabling easy access for stakeholders.

MOFCOM selected Hubei as the pilot province for the dissemination strategy to trial the best channels for reaching stakeholders and evaluate the results before rolling the strategy out nationwide. Several EUCTP II capacity building workshops and seminars on quality laboratory standards in Hubei province are currently being converted into e-learning courses to be disseminated in Hubei first. This seminar on automotive legislation and standards will also be converted into e-learning courses.

### Activity Description

About 70 representatives from local industries, inspection centers and enforcers participated in this seminar. The seminar focused on EU automotive regulatory regime and testing requirements.

The following topics were discussed: (a) Introduction on International and European Standards and Regulations; (b) Overview of Vehicle Homologation; (c) Comparison of EU and International Standardization; and (d) implementation of key testing standards.

In the second day, the NKEs visited the Product Quality Inspection Center of Special Purpose Vehicle for Mechanical Industry to better understand how automotive tests were conducted in China.



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### Results and Dissemination

The seminar achieved the following:

- A clear and concise presentation of EU and international Standards related to automobile and their main differences;
- A platform for Hubei inspection centers and industries to understand how relate automotive standards and regulations were applied in the EU and how testing requirements is implemented in the EU.
- The seminar was recorded and is being developed into a distance learning course with a view to boosting the capability of Chinese manufactures to produce compliant automobiles that can be exported to the EU.