Investing & Doing Business in Foshan

Industrial Upgrade & Automation in the GBA







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### Agenda

#### 1. Overview of Foshan investment landscape

#### 2. Why Foshan is your ideal investment destination:

- a) FIPA "first stop" when business coming to Foshan
- b) Introduction of key industry hubs, supply chair and infrastructure in the city
- c) Designated Industry policies: 2+2+4 industries, automation, digitization & industry upgrade
- d) Future outlook into Foshan development as manufacturing hub in the GBA

#### 3. Conclusion and Q&A









#### **Foshan City Profile**



#### Foshan FDI 2020

The actual use of foreign investment of 2020 decreased 10.8 percent. However, numbers from Q1 2021 indicate rapid recovery to pre-pandemic levels, with actual use of foreign investment up 43.5 percent from the same period in 2020.

- Newly approved 523 new foreign-invested enterprises
- Attracted 52 foreign-invested projects worth over US\$10 million
- With at least two such projects garnering over U\$\$200 million in investment.







**¥1.08 trillion**GDP





**3797.72 km<sup>2</sup>** Area



¥1,720 monthly Minimum wage



¥ 56,245
Disposable income per capita



¥ 506.03 billion

Total volume of import-export



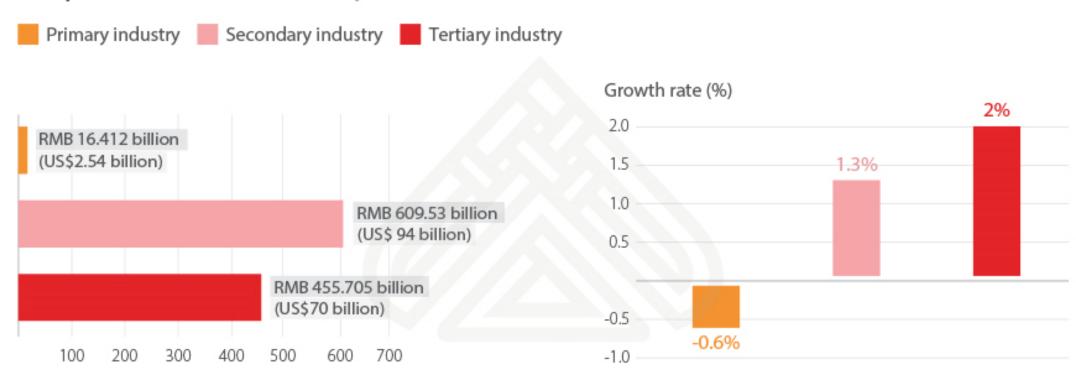
¥ 328,909 billion

Total retail sales of consumer goods



¥ 4,592 billion
Actual use of foreign capital

#### Composition of Foshan's Economy

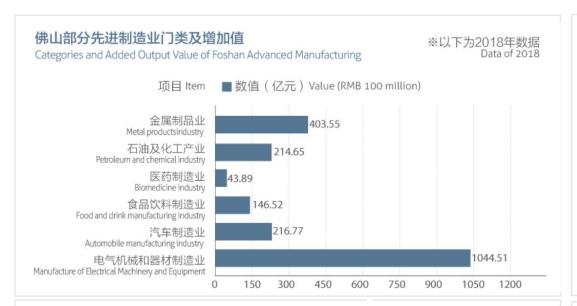


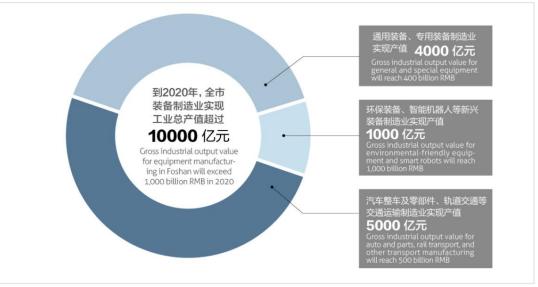
Source: Foshan City Main Statistical Indicators, 2020, Foshan Municipal Government

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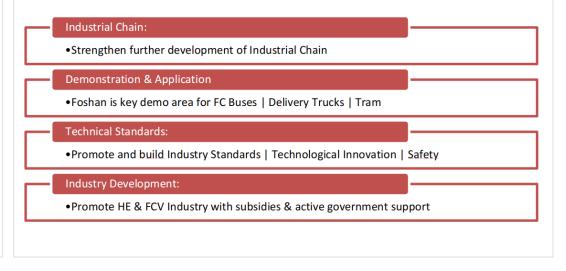
#### Industrial base and Plans for the Future

Foshan is the center of an advanced equipment manufacturing belt in the PRD, combining the high-tech industries strong in the east of the PRD, with the traditional manufacturing strength of the west coast, In 2018, the added output value of Foshan's advanced equipment manufacturing industry increased by 10.3%, which was 4% higher than the growth rate over the previous period.

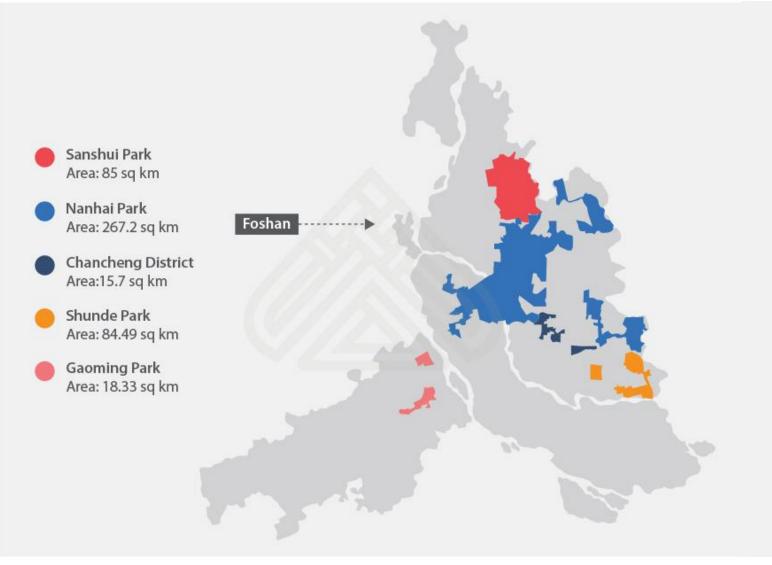








#### Foshan High-Tech Industrial Development Zone



#### Established in

1992

#### Area

470 km<sup>2</sup>

#### 2020 GDP contribution

RMB 169.1 billion (US\$26.1 billion)

#### New focuses

High-tech & emerging industries: e.g. biomedicine, intelligent home appliances, optoelectronics, new materials

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### **Favorable Policies for Foreign Investment**



Financial incentives awarded at a rate of two to five percent of the annual actual use of foreign capital for foreign-invested projects that meet certain funding criteria, capped at RMB 20 million (US\$3.9 million) and financial incentives for Fortune 500-invested projects and projects that serve to bolster the development of industrial clusters.



Prioritized land use for projects with more than RMB 1 billion (US\$154.8 million) in foreign investment, offices of Fortune 500 companies, and regional or corporate headquarters of leading foreign companies.



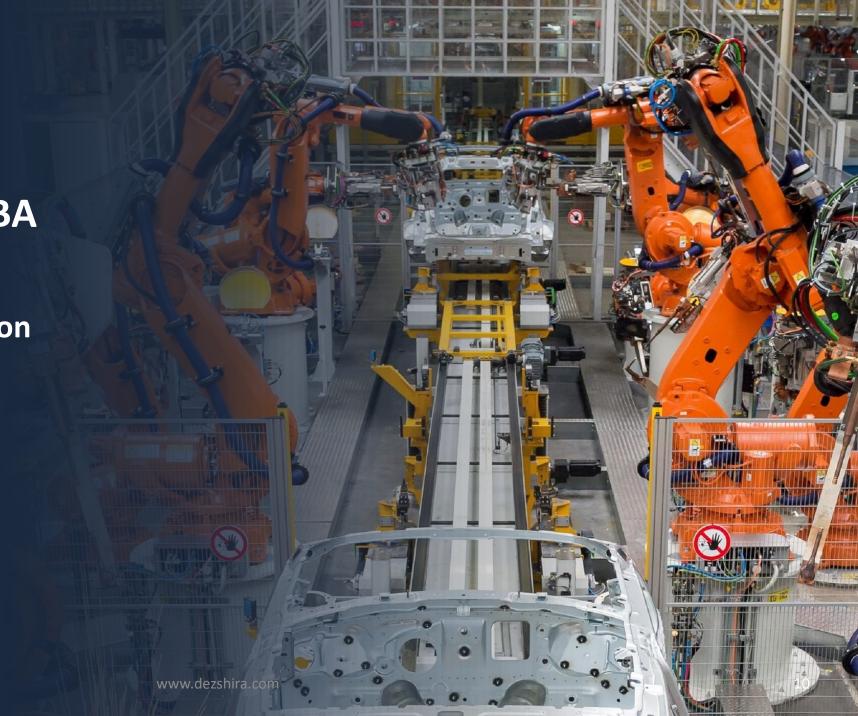
Relaxed visa requirements for high quality (Tier A) foreign talent and their spouses, providing work permits lasting a maximum of five years and RMB 2 million to RMB 20 million (US\$309,774 to US\$3.9 million) in funding for technology innovation teams.



Support for fintech services, such as credit loans and IP pledges for new R&D institutes, as well as high-tech small and medium enterprises incubated by the R&D institutes.

## Industrial Upgrade & Automation in the GBA

Accelerating the construction of an "Advanced Manufacturing Industry Cluster"



- "First stop" for investors coming to Foshan
- Team understands market, projects, policies and industries
- Multilingual domestic and international team (English, Chinese, Cantonese, Korean, Japanese, German, Spanish)
- FIPA is unique in China with a multicultural team experienced within different regions and industries, combining an international approach with local knowledge





## Why Invest in Foshan?

- Greater Bay Area Plan
- Built Advanced Manufacturing Industry
   Cluster
- Industrial Network & Infrastructure
- Supporting Policies
- Future Outlook



Pole City in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

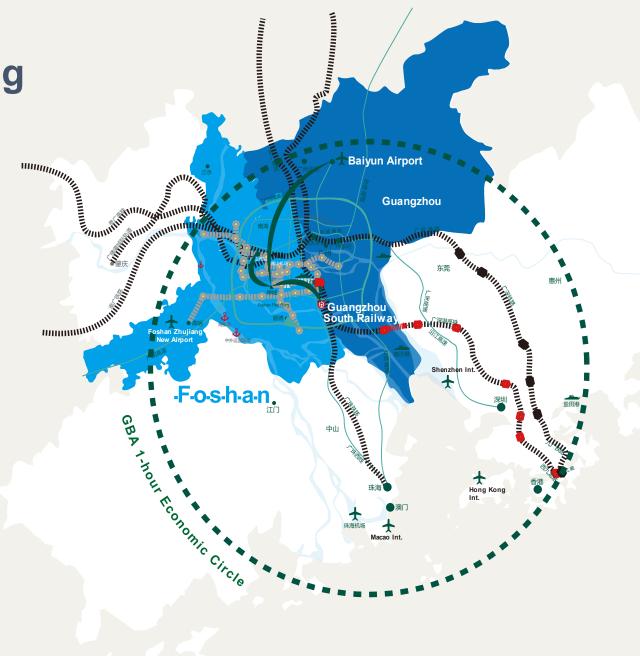
- Heart of Pearl River Delta West Bank
- Home of Lingnan Culture
- Martial Arts Capital
- South China's Manufacturing Hub









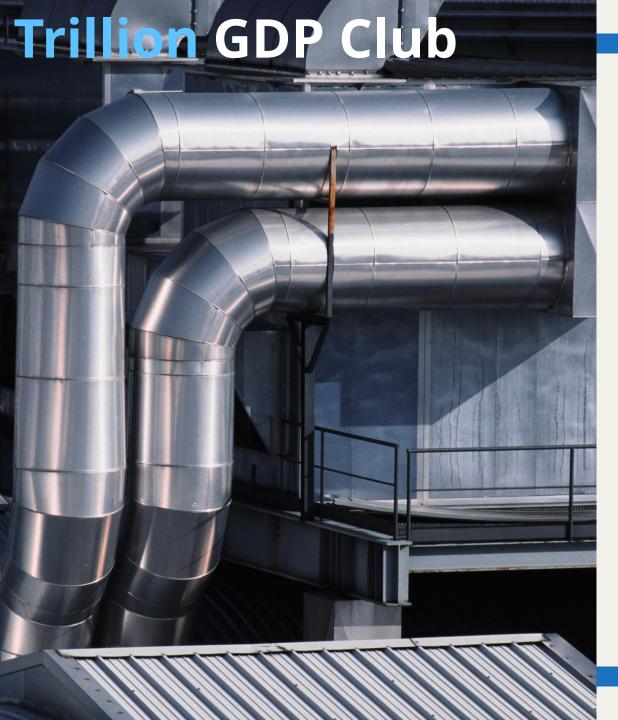


Greater Bay Area<br/>Core Metropolis

9.5 Million People

Guangzhou-Foshan
Twin Cities (GuangFo)





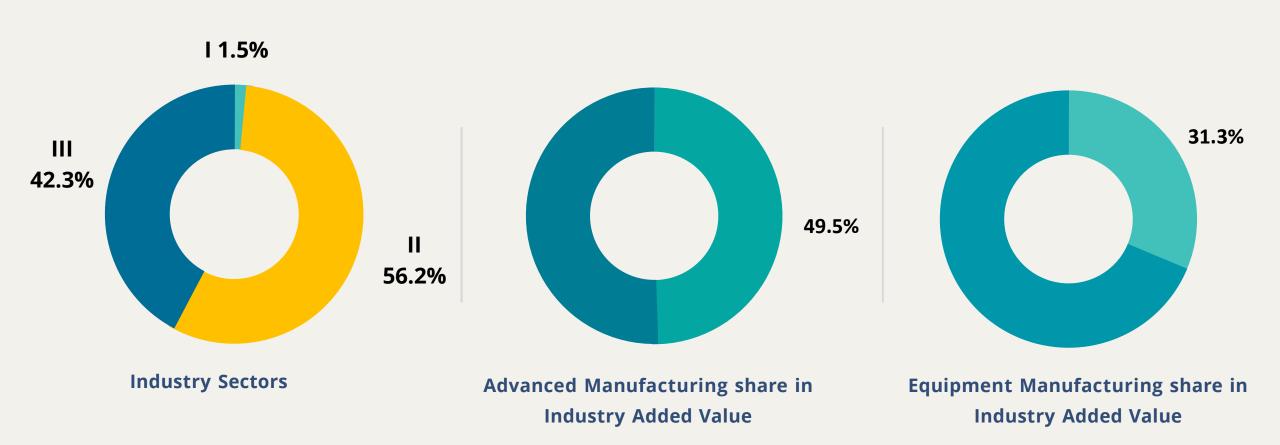
1 Trillion Yuan GDP in 2019 & 2020

Guangdong Province's No. 3 Economy

China city Ranking: 17 th

### STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

1st Tier Manufacturing Hub



# **Greater Bay Area Development Plan**





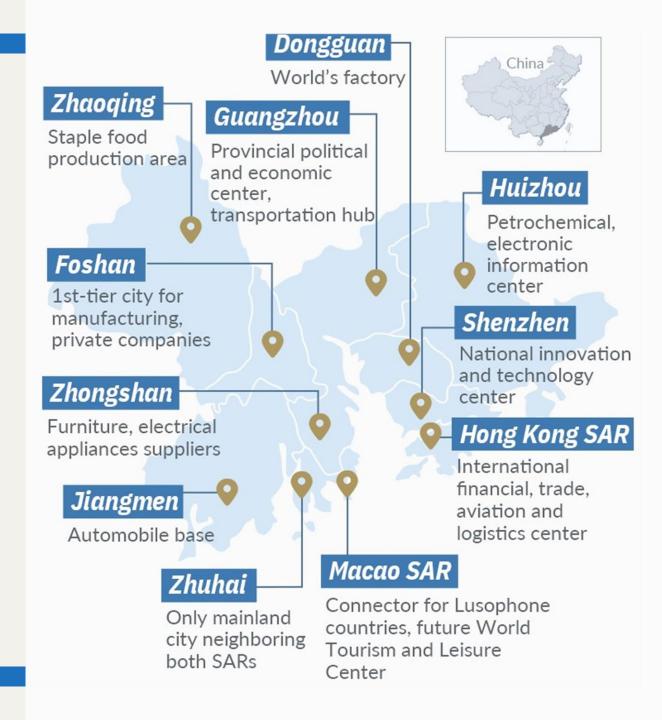
## GBA Outline Development Plan

13th 5-Year Plan

National Economic Development Strategy

9 Guangdong municipalities & HK-MC SAR

75 m people





## GBA Outline Development Plan



- driven by innovation, led by reform
- build dynamic world-class city cluster
- promote connectivity
- key part of Belt & Road
- international tech & innovation hub
- eco-environmental conservation

### **Chapter 6, Section 1 Foshan:**

"national demonstration base for new industrialization & develop an industrial belt for advanced equipment manufacturing"

"pilot city for industrial upgrade and automation"





# Construct an Advanced Manufacturing Cluster

## Advance Guangzhou-Foshan Regional Integration



#### **GuangFo Metropolitan Area**

- Major GBA pole
- Improve infrastructure
- Facilitate transportation & communication
- Joint use of resources
- Sci-tech cooperation

## Built 3 Strategic Industrial Platforms



## Sanlongwan High-End Innovation Hub

- Core innovation pole
- City-wide innovation system

#### **Foshan National High-Tech Zone**

- Int. First-class high-tech zone
- Transform into incubator
- Lead transformation & upgrade

#### **Financial High-Tech Zone**

- Financial innovation center
- Banking, insurance & investment
- HSBC, AIA, Capgemini, KPMG
- 60,000 professionals

## Accelerate "2+2+4" Industry Plan



#### Complete "2+2+2" Plan

- Construct 8 key industry cluster
- Lead GBA as pilot zone for industrial upgrade & automation
- Targeted policies for transformation
- Collaboration along value chain



#### **Sanshui**

- F&B South China Base
- Logistics Hub
- Supply Chain

#### **Changcheng**

- City Government
- Cultural Center
- Ceramics Capital

#### **Gaoming**

- New Airport City
- NEV Basis
- Hydrogen Tram

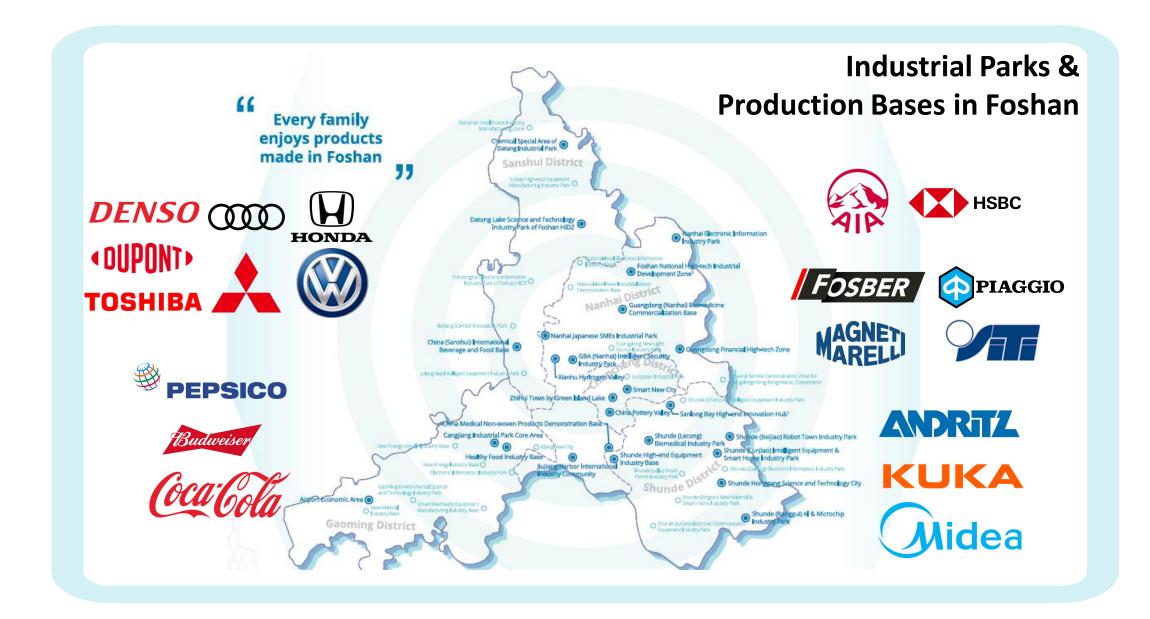
#### **Nanhai**

- Financial High-Tech Zone
- NEV/ Hydrogen Valley
- Automotive Hub
- High-Tech Zone Core Area

#### **Shunde**

- Home Appliances
- Sanlongwan
- Robotics Center
- Tanzhou Exhibition
- Equipment Manufacturing

**Industry Cluster** 



## Infrastructure Built for Business





Foshan has several strategical inland ports in all districts of the city facilitating smooth transportation of goods directly to the factory or warehouse.



The Foshan Gaoming New Airport is under construction and expected to be finished in 2024. The international airport will support Guangzhou's Baiyun airport and serve as a passenger and logistics hub.



Foshan West Railway Station & Guangzhou South – Foshan's and Guangzhou's main railway hubs – direct link to Shenzhen & Hong Kong within 1 hour



## Supply Chain Advantages

GBA Supplier & Distributor Network

Household appliances,
Building Material &
Ceramics

Fully available supply chain in multiple industries

Automotive, Robotics, Food & Beverage, Industrial Machinery

Tier 1-3 supplier









# **Targeted Government Policies & Incentives**



# Targeted Government Policies

#### **Policies for Industry Development**

- Further opening up high-quality development of FDI
- Annual subsidy to assist in technology upgrade
- Support technological transformation

#### **Policies for Sci-Tech Innovation**

- Financial subsidies for R&D
- Funding of core tech research
- Support for tech R&D and commercialization

#### **Policies for Talent Development**

- Innovative policies for overseas talent (housing, R&D)
- Subsidies for leading and high-profile talent

## <u>Promotion of Intelligent & Digital</u> <u>Transformation</u>

## Targeting high-quality growth 5 area policy support:

- 1. Support digitization & smart manufacturing
- 2. Increase financial support (RMB 10-30 M)
- 3. Strengthen industrial cluster
- 4. Improve capacity
- 5. Optimizing public digital services



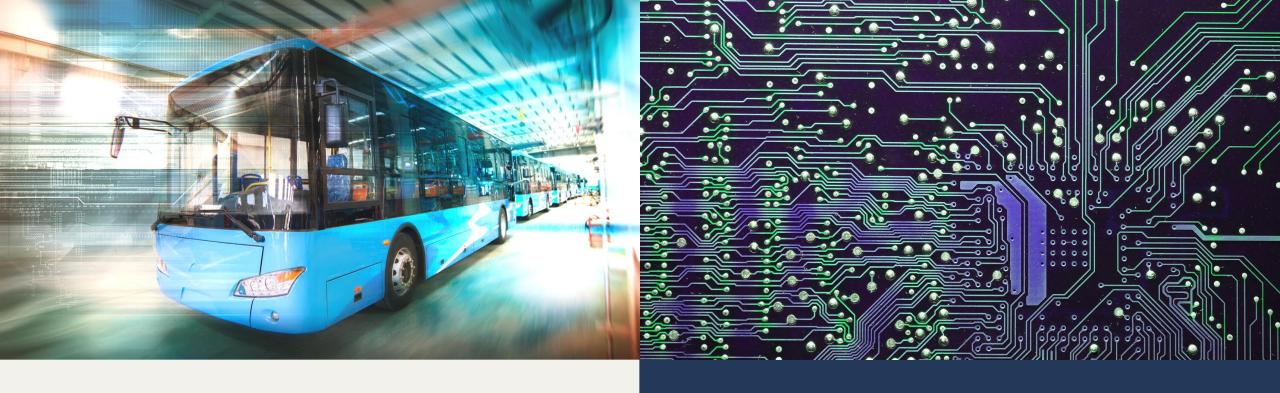


### **Equipment Manufacturing**

- Develop industry belt for advanced equipment manufacturing
- Focus on high-end equipment manufacturing, industrial robots & machine tools

### **Household Appliances**

- Boost complete industry chain
- Focus on smart appliances, furniture, ceramics & building material



### **New Energy & Automotive**

- H2 industry with national leading value chains & infrastructure
- Production of NEV & FCV key components

#### **Electronic Information**

- Accelerate development of EI industry for components, displays, terminals and circuits
- Prioritizing high-end equipment manufacturing

China
Hydrogen
Economy
Capital



## "2+2+4" Industry Plan

Intelligent Manufacturing Equipment & Robotics



Develop automatic equipment
Systematic integration
Industrial robots

**New Materials** 



Battery materials
High-performance plastics
New functional coating materials

**Food & Beverage** 



Develop flavorings & beverages

Healthy & nutritious food

Functional health food

**Biomedicine & Healthcare** 



Cluster for pharmaceuticals manufacturing
Medical equipment & devices
Medical & healthcare services

## **Future Outlook**



# Industry 4.0 & Challenged Environment

#### **Positive Effects on Manufacturing Sector**

- Build agile manufacturing & supply chain systems
- Tackle disruptions, promote cross industry collaboration
- Logistics coordination across global value chain
- Business continuity & employee protection
- Improve labor efficiency & reduce costs

#### Midea Lighthouse Leading Smart Factory

- Midea's first intelligent production base
- End-to-end connected value chain
  - √ 28% Improved labor efficiency
  - ✓ 14% Unit cost down
  - √ 56% Shorter order lead time
  - √ 50% Labor force cut
  - √ 20% Net profit increase

## Future Development Foshan Landscape







- Promote regional integration of GuangFo Metropolis & "Shenzhen Innovation
  - + Foshan Industries"
- Continue Industry Transformation & Upgrading
- Become a comprehensive transportation hub on rail, road, air & sea
- Accelerate integrated development of "Manufacturing + Services"
- Make use of Greater Bay Area talent hub & foster R&D + SciTech
- Service-oriented government facilitating company development

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