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## General Socio-economic Profile

Kunming, the provincial capital of Yunnan Province, is a political, economic, financial, cultural, scientific, technological and educational center in Southwest China. It is also a transportation and communication hub as well as China's gateway to South Asia, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, Southern Europe and Africa. Its average annual temperature is about 15°C. Flowers bloom and plants are green all year round, making Kunming the famous "City of Eternal Spring" and "Flower City", ideal for leisure, tourism, vacation and residence. Kunming is rich in natural resources.

It has the second largest phosphate reserves in the world and the second largest salt reserves in inland China. It also has rich iron, titanium, copper and other mineral resources. The local biodiversity is diverse, with over 1,200 species of wild plants and more than 460 species of flowers. Kunming has a human habitation history of over 30,000 years, central Yunnan culture of over 2,400 years and city history of over 1,250 years. History, ethnic culture, religion, urban fashion, and border culture coexist here.

# Kunming



8,460,000



21,000 km<sup>2</sup>

Nature Based Solutions for Circular Cities and Regions

Technologies 4.0, Industry 5.0 & Digital Economy

Tourism, Culture and Creativity

Education, jobs & skills, Innovation centres, business clusters

## Preferred Areas of Cooperation

Kunming looks forward to extensive cooperation in new materials, big health and digital economy, whilst seeking new opportunities in healthcare, education, scientific research, culture and sports exchanges.

**New materials.** Relying on its precious metal research institute, which ranks first in China, Kunming aims at building a hundred-billion scale new material industrial chain.

**Culture and tourism.** Giving full play to the unique climate, history and culture, the city will develop cultural tourism and biomedicine, turning itself into an "International Healthcare City".

**Digital economy.** Kunming will work with smart EU cities to develop clusters of digital industries, including intelligence, chips and optics.

**Education.** Kunming will introduce high-quality educational resources from Europe for cooperative education programs.

**Traditional Chinese medicine.** Kunming will carry out international exchanges of traditional Chinese medical culture and introduce multi-disciplinary clinical research.

**Ecological conservation.** Kunming will conduct joint research and application in the fields of environmental protection, solid waste treatment, application of new energy, information and communication, machinery manufacturing, metal processing, artificial intelligence and utilization of renewable resources.

**Kunming will carry out exchanges of culture, art, sports and facility construction.**