



A Conversation with Mr. LIU Jun, Deputy Director General of the State Post Bureau of (P.R.) China

- *Interviewee: Mr. LIU Jun, Deputy Director General of the State Post Bureau*
- *Interviewer: APPU Bureau*

The Bureau had the privilege of interviewing Mr. LIU Jun, the head of the Chinese delegation and Deputy Director General of the State Post Bureau, during his visit to the APPU headquarters. This interview sheds light on the recent developments in the postal industry in China and explores China's contributions to the global postal industry and its cooperation with APPU.

Q1: What are your objectives for this visit and what area of cooperation are you looking to strengthen with APPU?

Mr. Liu Jun: Through this visit, we aim to strengthen the exchange of information on postal cooperation and development, discuss future cooperation in personnel training, and support the capacity-building projects, and enhance communication and collaboration among member countries within the framework of APPU. We also seek to establish a high-level meeting mechanism to address major international postal affairs and explore innovative cooperation opportunities within the APPU framework.

Q2: How does China contribute to the development of the global postal industry and its cooperation with APPU?

Mr. Liu Jun: China has always attached great importance to developing friendly relations with other countries and supporting the reforms and innovations pursued by APPU and UPU. We actively participate in providing technical assistance to developing and underdeveloped countries, host international postal conferences, and organize special training for developing countries. Moreover, China has served as chairs of various working groups within APPU and UPU, fulfilling our obligations and contributing to the development of the global postal industry.

Q3: Can you provide an overview of the recent work and development in the postal industry in China?

Mr. Liu Jun: The postal industry in China has been undergoing significant reforms and transformations. In recent years, we have seen steady growth and improvement. During the first quarter of 2023, the business volume of the postal industry achieved an 8.5% increase compared with last year. Specifically, the express delivery business volume increased 11% from 2022. These numbers reflect the positive trend of stable recovery and the crucial role the postal industry plays in boosting the national economy and society.

Q4: During your visit to the APPU Bureau, what is your overall satisfaction with the experience and the outcomes achieved?

Mr. Liu Jun: I am extremely satisfied with my visit to the APPU headquarters and the outcomes we have achieved. The hospitality and warm reception extended to our delegation have been exemplary. The discussions and interactions with Dr. Singh, the Secretary General, and other APPU officials have been fruitful, fostering a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the postal industry.