

Annex 4

Regulations for the Construction and Operation of the “Chinauto” Project (Draft for Comments)

Article I These Regulations are formulated to promote the training of high-skilled new energy vehicle talents in countries and regions along the “Belt and Road”, implement the development goals of the New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents, advance the sharing of China-international technological innovation, the precise matching of talent demand, and the in-depth cross-border industry-education cooperation, support the high-quality development of the global new energy vehicle industry, and standardize the construction and operation management of the “Chinauto” Project.

Article II These Regulations are jointly initiated by the National Steering Committee of Teaching for Automobile Vocational Education, China (hereinafter referred to as the NSCTAVE), China Society of Automotive Engineers, and the World New Energy Vehicle Development Organization. They are formulated with the joint participation of leading Chinese-funded industrial chain enterprises¹ including BYD, SAIC Motor, Chery, Geely, GWM, GAC Group, Changan Automobile, Leapmotor, XPEV, NIO, Sinotruk, Dongfeng Liuzhou Motor, SAIC-GM-Wuling, CATL, Gotion High-Tech, EVE Energy, CALB, SVOLT, Lvkong Motor, and others. The “Chinauto” Project Management Office (hereinafter referred to as the “Project Management Office”) is located at the Secretariat of the NSCTAVE, responsible for the top-level design of project construction, cross-entity coordination, domestic and international policy alignment, and whole-process quality guidance, supervision and administration.

Article III The Project consists of three tiers: “Chinauto” Skill Center, “Chinauto” Brand Workshop, and “Chinauto” Skill Station. Under the unified coordination, professional guidance and supervision of the Project Management Office, eligible applicant institutions shall take the lead in jointly constructing the Project with relevant parties such as local governments, educational institutions, and Chinese automotive enterprises in the host country (region). Targeting mainly local

¹ Defined in the Explanatory Notes to the Constitution of the New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents

citizens, the Project focuses on the training of automotive skilled personnel, and carries out vocational education, skills training, technical services, achievement transformation and other related activities.

Article IV Project construction shall adhere to the principles of equality and mutual benefit, joint construction and sharing; safety and compliance, risk control; industry-education integration, precise empowerment; adaptation to local conditions, practicality and efficiency; quality first, standardized development; highlighting distinctive features, “dynamic adaptation and iterative upgrading”, and brand building. It shall respect the laws, regulations and cultural customs of the cooperating countries (regions), align with industrial demands, strengthen quality assurance and risk prevention and control, and follow the principle of “local teachers as the mainstay, Chinese teachers as support” in faculty development, so as to cultivate local technical and skilled personnel and build a high-profile brand project benchmark facing the world, serving the globalization of skills, and reflecting industrial characteristics.

Article V Centering on the needs of the new energy vehicle industry and enterprises in the host country (region), the Project will carry out “Chinese Language+Skills” academic education and non-academic skills training to cultivate local urgently needed technical and skilled personnel; form international teaching teams and implement targeted training for Chinese and foreign teachers to improve cross-border teaching capabilities; jointly develop professional curriculum standards and bilingual teaching resources to promote the alignment of Chinese and foreign technical standards and teaching systems; co-build practical training and teaching bases to conduct employee skills training and vocational skill appraisal; establish a global platform for automotive technical and skill exchange to promote international skills competitions and people-to-people exchanges; provide automotive industrial technical services and consulting to drive integrated innovation in automotive technology; and carry out international student education and international cooperative education as needed to facilitate cross-border academic advancement and exchange for students.

Article VI Project construction shall be promoted through multi-party collaboration among competent government departments, industries, enterprises and educational institutions, with resources shared and construction responsibilities undertaken as agreed. Specific responsibilities are as follows:

(1) Government level: Provide policy support and coordinate the connection between local educational institutions, enterprises and all project parties.

(2) Industry level: Integrate resources from all parties, align with industrial technical standards, formulate and promote industrial talent training quality standards, professional teaching standards, practical training condition construction standards and curriculum standards, and organize industry-education dialogues, academic exchanges, skills competitions and other activities.

(3) Leading Chinese industrial chain enterprises: Provide practical training vehicles, equipment and technical support, as well as the update and maintenance of practical training resources; assign technical personnel to serve as lecturers or trainers; participate in the development of teaching resources; and provide practical training, internship and employment opportunities.

(4) Teaching equipment enterprises: Develop practical training equipment, teaching platforms and digital resources adapted to the needs of leading Chinese industrial chain enterprises; assist educational institutions in improving teaching conditions, enhancing practical training capabilities and deepening major co-construction; and provide technical support, resource guarantee and sustainable operation services for the Project.

(5) Chinese educational institutions: Establish international bilingual teaching teams to provide on-site teaching or receive foreign teachers for training in China; participate in the development of curriculum standards and bilingual textbooks in the host country (region) to support the development of foreign teaching staff; organize their own students for cross-border academic further study as needed; and accept foreign students to receive “Chinese Language+Skills” education and training in China.

(6) Foreign educational institutions: Establish local professional teaching teams; provide the construction of teaching and training venues and supporting facilities in accordance with the Project requirements; be responsible for local student recruitment and management; assist in school registration and filing; coordinate in-school funding to ensure Project implementation; and deliver qualified technical and skilled personnel and provide technical services to cooperating leading Chinese industrial chain enterprises as agreed.

Article VII Project approval shall meet the following conditions:

(1) The target country (region) is in line with the layout of international production capacity cooperation and industrial synergy development of new energy vehicles.

(2) The applicant institution has independent legal person status; members of the

New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents shall be given priority.

(3) The project construction plan is consistent with the development trend of the automotive industry in the target country (region), with clear expected outcomes.

(4) At least one party in the project construction entity has established substantive cooperation with a leading Chinese industrial chain enterprise, laying a foundation for project implementation.

Article VIII Project Approval Procedure

(1) The applicant submits an application form, project construction plan, institutional qualification certificate and other materials to the Project Management Office.

(2) The Project Management Office organizes expert review; upon approval, the results are submitted to the Advisory Committee of New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents and publicly announced.

(3) After formal approval, the applicant shall commence project construction within 6 months.

Article IX After project approval, the applicant may use the intellectual property rights such as the name “Chinauto” Skill Center, “Chinauto” Brand Workshop or “Chinauto” Skill Station and VI logo within the scope authorized by the Project Management Office, but shall not transfer, lend or re-authorize them to any other organization or individual.

Article X Responsibilities and Safeguards

(1) Principal responsibility: The applicant, as the main entity responsible for project construction and operation, shall bear full responsibility for project quality, operation effectiveness and safety management.

(2) Supervision and administration: The Project Management Office shall be responsible for whole-process supervision, guidance and quality evaluation, and urge rectification of construction problems.

(3) Funding guarantee: A diversified funding mechanism of “government support, school-enterprise investment, multi-party fundraising” shall be established to ensure funds are used exclusively for the specified purposes.

(4) Policy support: The Project Management Office shall coordinate resources from all parties and actively strive for policy support in domestic and foreign teaching

staff, equipment, school-running qualifications and other aspects.

Article XI The project construction cycle is 1-3 years. Upon completion, the Project Management Office shall organize a final acceptance. The acceptance results shall be reported to the Advisory Committee of the New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents and publicly announced.

Article XII The project application period shall be subject to separate notices.

Article XIII Project Termination and Revocation

1. Project Termination

The applicant may apply to the Project Management Office for termination under any of the following circumstances:

(1) All or some participants withdraw, making cooperation unsustainable.

(2) Major changes in industrial policies in the host country (region) render the project unnecessary.

(3) The project cannot be implemented due to force majeure such as war or natural disaster.

(4) Other objective reasons necessitating project termination.

After the termination application is reviewed, approved and filed, the applicant shall complete project archiving, asset disposal, follow-up connection and other closing work as required.

2. Project Revocation

Under any of the following circumstances, the Project Management Office shall propose revocation, which shall be approved by the Advisory Committee of the New Energy Vehicles Consortium for Joint Cultivation of High-Skilled Talents, and the project qualification shall be revoked:

(1) Violation of these Regulations and relevant national laws and regulations, engaging in illegal or disciplinary activities.

(2) Unauthorized alteration of construction content, transfer of project rights and interests, or illegal use of project name and logo.

(3) Failure to rectify within the time limit or still failing to meet project requirements after rectification as ordered by project monitoring.

(4) Fraud, concealment, misappropriation of project funds or other illegal or disciplinary acts in project management.

(5) Serious damage to the project brand and the reputation of the Consortium, causing adverse social impacts.

(6) Other violations of management provisions that make it inappropriate to continue undertaking the project.

Article XIV The Project Management Office shall notify relevant cooperating parties and publicly announce project termination or revocation. The applicant shall complete asset liquidation, student placement, faculty allocation, document archiving and properly handle remaining issues as required.

Article XV For overseas automotive projects launched before the promulgation of these Regulations that meet the requirements of these Regulations and construction standards, the implementing units may apply to the Project Management Office. Upon passing the acceptance inspection and review, their projects shall be integrated into the "Chinauto" Project system, and the units shall be awarded official plaques.

Article XVI The final right to interpret these Regulations shall be vested in the Project Management Office.

Article XVII These Regulations shall come into force on the date of promulgation.