

## 6th China-ASEAN Youth Symposium

## "Building Smart Cities in a Changing World"

By **Dr Chen Xi**Founder of Harbor Overseas

Location: online meeting in Zoom

13.00 pm - 14.00 pm, Friday, 19 May 2023

## **Abstract**

This seminar will present smart city planning strategies focused on regional integration, an action map synergizing traditional infrastructure, digital infrastructure and institutional infrastructure, to offset the threats of a fragmented global economic and security situation.

## **About the Speaker**



**Chen Xi** is an expert on geo-tech competition, smart city and corporation strategy. He is the founder of Harbor Overseas, a global smart-city consulting company. He is the creators of the Asia Smart City Ranking, G20 Smart City Ranking and Asia Smart City Quarterly Review. Dr Chen is an adjunct associate professor at Xi'an Jiaotong University and an academic committee member at the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University. He served as the president of Institute of Smart City Planning and Design of Beijing Municipality, having assisted the Beijing Municipal Government in shaping smart-city policy, regulation and evaluation systems. Chen was a visiting senior fellow at the S Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) at Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in Singapore in 2019. He served as president of the Institute of Smart City Research at the ZTE Corporation from 2016-2019 and as an advisor to the ZTE strategy committee. He was chief

planners for smart-city design for several key projects such as the Beijing Sub-Center and its transportation hub, Gwadar (Pakistan). He contributed dozens of invited commentaries for global think-tanks, including Think20 (T20) under Group of 20 (G20). He completed his PhD in a joint program between Dalian University of Technology and Cornell University under the sponsorship of the China Scholarship Council. He finished his post-doctoral research (Awarded Excellence) on the China-US geo-tech competition in a joint program between Peking University and Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics.