Foreign Business Trip

Hey man, I have some problems on my works, can you give me some advices?

Of course, what are you doing now?

A trip plan for the trade fair in a foreign country, but it’s the first time for our company to attend.

So, what’s the problem now?

I’ve made an arrangement of the flights of our trip...

I think you have not decided what kind of accommodation to live.

That’s right.

In my opinion, that’s the first time of our company to attend, a hotel near the place of trade fair is necessary.

I knew it, but the hotels near the fair place are all lower class.

Is it something wrong? Why not a cheap hotel?

Well, I think, if the clients want to buy our products, we might need a place to sign the contract.

You mean a lower-class hotel may leave a bad impression on them?

Yes.

Well, it’s worth considering…I think you can balance the level and the distance between hotel and trade fair.

You mean I should find a hotel not so far from the trade fair and decent enough?

Correctly.

Well, next problem. You know, it’s the first time for us. I have no idea about the business customs in their country.

It’s quite easy, just google it online. Don’t forgot to search the business customs of other countries, maybe they are more people from other country also join the trade fair.

I’ve tried it, but the information online is too little and lots of them are outdated.

Ummm, I see, you can ask John, he is the trade representative before join in our company. He is experienced. You can turn to him.

Ok, thank.

So, in a conclusion, we have decided how to go, where to live.

And some business customs we have to obey.

That’s right, thank you.

You’re welcome. Have a nice day.

Job Sharing

Hey, the scheme of introducing a system of job sharing should be submit next Thursday. We have to discuss some detail of the scheme.

Well, to be frank, I don’t have a clear understand of the ’Job Sharing’.

It just enables particular jobs to be shared between two members of staff. And we need a scheme to make it smoothly implementation.

Ok, let me see. We have not decided which type of people should be concluded in our system.

Or who is suitable for job sharing.

It couldn’t be our regular staff. I think none of them will agree to share their office table with others.

You mean our new staff and intern?

Yes, the interns, they just come and go, you can’t give them important works to do.

You’re right, most of them are student, job sharing can let them do more continuity jobs.

So, what kind of jobs them can do?

Some paper works? Organizing materials?

I think so.

You know, I’m thinking that, what advantages and disadvantages there would be for the company?

The advantages are obviously, the utilization of office table and time will get a huge promotion.

Really, I think it might reduce efficiency if a job is divided to parts and given to numbers of people to do.

Well, everyone has a different view.

And company can cost less on staff, because they are part-time.

I think so, I wish it never happen on us.

What about the disadvantage?

Staffs has less sense of group and the sense of identity of company.

I don’t think so. Executives must be happy that no people are ask them for pension.

And in fact, they will all be temporary workers. They don’t have welfare and insurance.

It sounds do be good for company.

But it’s not good for us. And might be, might be, you and me, are the next.

Well, it is capitalism.