

#### Marco Polo Award

- China-CEE Tourism Cooperation and its Coordination Centre in Budapest (TCC) sets the award
- "for the creation of the best CEE joint tourism product", yearly, from 2019
- gold, silver and bronze
- any CEE-located or China-located private tourism stakeholder can apply



# Aim of the award, expected product characteristics

- encourage the renewal of regional offer, face-lift the existing regional offer
- support promotion of "best joint CEE product", further deepen cooperation
- "best joint CEE product" based on the history, traditions and culture of CEE region or targets a special interest (creative and authentic)
- innovative, measurable and sustainable





# Application criteria

- any CEE-based or China-based private business stakeholder
- product available in minimum 3 CEE countries
- product has been introduced in the market (minimum 1-year)
- meets all application criteria (see Guidelines)
- English application arrives at TCC (tcc@mfa.gov.hu) until deadline
- no application fee, no financial reward MP is a prestige award

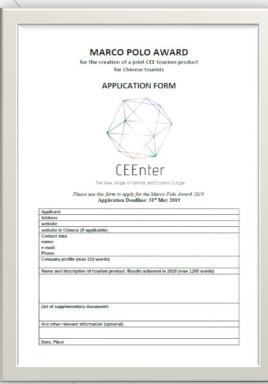


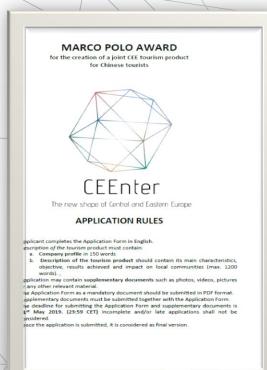
## Dates and deadlines 2019

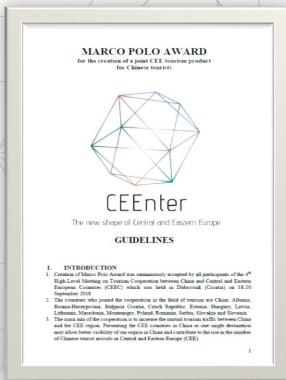
- application period: March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>
- evaluation period: June 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 July 31<sup>st</sup>
- notification of winners: by 9<sup>th</sup> September
- award winning ceremony in Riga: 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October
- yearly promotional campaign: October 2019 to October 2020



# How to apply for the Award?









application form

application rules

application guidelines



Application via e-mail: tcc@mfa.gov.hu

eligibility and evaluation criteria

### Mutual benefits

- product presentation at Ministerial Meeting in Riga (October 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> 2019) – publicity
- 1-year promotion in the communication channels and partner network of TCC and the 16 CEE countries
- wear the label "Marco Polo Award, with the recommendation of China-CEEC's Tourism Cooperation"
- gold medalist has the opportunity to join CITM Shanghai 2019 on the invitation of CNTO Budapest





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