

Consulate General of Spain in Chengdu and BLS International strengthen collaboration with ADS travel agents to support inbound tourism to Spain

Chengdu, January 23, 2026: Consulate General of Spain in Chengdu and BLS International, global leaders in AI and tech enabled in visa, consular and citizen services, successfully hosted an exclusive meeting with leading Approved Destination Status (ADS) tour operators on January 23, 2026, at the Hilton Hotel in Chengdu. The event convened ADS-authorized travel agencies and tour operators to strengthen cooperation and enhance preparedness for travel to Spain.

Senior officials from the **Consulate General of Spain and BLS International**, together with key stakeholders from **ADS authorised travel agencies and tour operators**, participated in the session, alongside representatives from the wider travel industry. The engagement focused on discussing evolving travel trends across China and provided a platform for structured dialogue among key stakeholders for visa application processes, use of tech and transparency, operational efficiency, and preparedness to better support travelers to Spain.

Speaking on the event, **Consul General H.E Mr. Cándido Creis Estrada, Consulate General of Spain in Chengdu** said, *"Promoting international mobility and enhancing the travel experience for visitors to Spain are important priorities for the Consulate General of Spain in Chengdu through continued collaboration with industry stakeholders and partners such as BLS International and ADS tour operator's family, we aim to support high standards of service, clarity in processes, and sustainable growth in travel between China and Spain."*

Imran Siddiquee, Vice President, BLS International said, *"BLS International is committed to supporting the Consulate General of Spain in Chengdu through efficient, transparent, and technology enabled visa services by working closely with the Consulate General of Spain & ADS tour operators and in line with local regulations and approved procedures, we aim to deliver a tech-led smooth and reliable experience for citizens travelling to Spain."*

A key highlight of the meeting was BLS International's showcase of its widespread presence and technology-enabled visa solutions, with AI-driven process efficiencies to support smooth and scalable application submissions across China. **As a trusted partner of the Spanish Consulate for over a decade, and with operations in China since December, 2016, BLS International remains at the forefront of visa processing innovation.** These capabilities currently support **applications through 15 Visa Application Centres across China**, with further facilitation of services through doorstep and mobile service clinique into regions, enhancing accessibility, reducing processing friction, and improving

convenience for applicants. This will enable tour operators to organize more tours from the comfort of their own city without thinking about the hassle to travel to the cities where visa centers are located.

About BLS International Services Limited:

BLS International Services Ltd. is a trusted global tech-enabled services partner for governments and citizens, having an impeccable reputation for setting benchmarks in the domain of visa, passports, consular, citizen, e-governance, attestation, biometric, e-visa, and retail services since 2005.

The company is recognized as “India’s Most Valuable Companies” by Business Today Magazine, “Best under a Billion’ Company” by Forbes Asia and ranked among “Fortune India’s Next 500 companies”. The company works with over 46 client governments, including Diplomatic Missions, Embassies, and consulates, and leverages technology and processes that ensure data security. The Company now has an extensive network of more than 50,000+ centers globally, with a robust strength of over 60,000+ employees and associates that provide consular, biometrics, and citizen services.

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