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## **Edward Lehman Meets with Albanian Industrial Property Giant, Dr. Arben G. Shehi**

**Beijing, China – July 18, 2008 -** Lehman, Lee & Xu welcomed the President and CEO of Ardit & Partners, Dr. Arben G. Shehi, to Beijing last week. Ardit & Partners is the leading patent and trademark firm in Albania. Dr. Shehi met with Lehman, Lee & Xu Managing Director Edward Lehman to discuss the possibility of the two firms cooperating in the future.

Dr. Shehi comes from an engineering background where he became the first president of both the Albanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and of the Tirana Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is currently the president of both the Albanian Chamber of Economy and the Industrial Promotion Center of Albania. However, Dr. Shehi's finest contribution to the development of industry in Albania was his effort in spearheading the creation of the Industrial Property Law passed by the Albanian Parliament in 1995. After the law passed, Ardit & Partners was formed by Dr. Shehi and his father, Dr. Gani Shehi. Ardit & Partners is the only firm in Albania that specializes in both trademark and patent law as other firms specialize in only one or the other.

Mr. Lehman and Dr. Shehi discussed Albania's recent efforts to attract foreign investment in hopes of appealing to tourists wishing to visit the country's Mediterranean coastline. China and Albania have nearly 60 years of diplomatic relations, and Mr. Lehman and Dr. Shehi agreed that the Chinese may have a considerable interest in investing in Albania. As the meeting concluded, Dr. Shehi and Mr. Lehman agreed to keep in close contact in order to build a strong mutually advantageous relationship in the future.

Lehman, Lee & Xu is a prominent Chinese corporate law firm and trademark and patent agency with offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Hong Kong, Macau, and Mongolia. The firm has been recognized as one of the top trademark firms in China by several intellectual property magazines and is managed by Mr. Edward Lehman, a leading expert on corporate law with 20 years of practice experience in Mainland China.







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