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1. Chinese President Xi Jinping's keynote speech at the opening

ceremony of BFA annual conference 2022

Chinese President Xi Jinping delivered a keynote speech via video at the opening ceremony of the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA) Annual Conference 2022 on Thursday.

Further reading on the following website: https://english.news.cn/20220421/f5f48ba605ed427dab911188af175 ebf/c.html

2. President Xi Jinping proposed the Global Security Initiative

at the Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2022

The world today is far from being peaceful and tranquil, as regional security hotspots keep flaring up and the European security issue receives worldwide attention. It is in this context that President Xi Jinping proposed the Global Security Initiative with the future of all humanity in mind.

The Global Security Initiative champions the commitment in six areas: stay committed to the vision of common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable security, and work together to maintain world peace and security; stay committed to respecting the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all countries, uphold non-interference in internal affairs, and respect the independent choices of development paths and social systems made by people in

different countries; stay committed to abiding by the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, reject the Cold War mentality, oppose unilateralism, and say no to group politics and bloc confrontation; stay committed to taking the legitimate security concerns of all countries seriously, uphold the principle of indivisible security, build a balanced, effective and sustainable security architecture, and oppose the pursuit of one's own security at the cost of others' security; stay committed to peacefully resolving differences and disputes between countries through dialogue and consultation, support all efforts conducive to the peaceful settlement of crises, reject double standards, and oppose the wanton use of unilateral sanctions and long-arm jurisdiction; stay committed to maintaining security in both traditional and non-traditional domains, and work together on regional disputes and global challenges such as terrorism, climate change, cybersecurity and biosecurity.

The Initiative focuses on both real problems bearing on the security of mankind and the enduring solution to realize world peace. We are ready to work through the UN and bilateral and multilateral channels to have in-depth exchange of views with all parties on the Initiative and contribute wisdom and strength to the political settlement of various international and regional hotspot issues and the maintenance of world peace and tranquility.

3. President Xi Jinping stresses building Chinese free trade port

with global influence

President Xi Jinping has called for accelerating the development of Hainan into a free trade port with Chinese characteristics and global influence during his inspection tour of South China's Hainan province from April 10 to April 13.

Further reading on the following website:

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 $\frac{https://english.news.cn/20220413/485946f2906d489fb278763511f4e}{b57/c.html}$

 $\frac{https://english.news.cn/20220414/d60559cde40d4695bb0702ee9733}{f454/c.html}$

4. SCIO briefing on China's economic performance in Q1

China's economy grew 4.8 percent year on year in the first quarter (Q1) of 2022 despite challenges from an increasingly complex international environment and resurgences of COVID-19 cases at home.

Further reading on the following website: http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/node 8030989.htm

SCIO briefing on China's import and export in Q1 of 2022 http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/node 8029016.htm

China's foreign trade sustains upward momentum despite mounting challenges

 $\frac{https://english.news.cn/20220413/7d0316d00ff7434e859928ace138d}{c08/c.html}$

Trade between China and RCEP members up 6.9% in Q1 http://english.scio.gov.cn/videos/2022-04/14/content 78166000.htm

China's FDI inflow up 25.6 pct in Q1 https://english.news.cn/20220414/648c1474e0bd4316b49d32844970 https://english.news.cn/20220414/648c1474e0bd4316b497 https://english.news.cn/2022047

5. SCIO briefing on rigorous COVID-19 prevention and control http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/node 8028727.htm

Explainer: FAQs on China's dynamic zero-COVID policy

 $\underline{https://english.news.cn/20220419/a1edb8d8dbba473f862e5a4db58f0}$

ec8/c.html

Shanghai boosts supply of necessities amid COVID-19 resurgence

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Heavyweight enterprises in Shanghai resume operations amid COVID-19 resurgence

 $\frac{https://english.news.cn/20220419/5b12f99014ae490cabfff70cfcad90}{ec/c.html}$

6. Chinese astronauts return with six-month space station mission accomplished

On April 16th, three Chinese astronauts of the Shenzhou-13 manned spaceship have completed their six-month space station mission and returned to Earth safely. The mission marks China the completion of the verification of key technologies of China's space station, and also sets a record for Chinese astronauts' duration in orbit, said the China Manned Space Agency (CMSA).

Further reading on the following website:

https://english.news.cn/20220416/e581f58ff9b94fa396f5b3c4709b7b86/c.html

SCIO briefing about China's progress on space station construction

http://english.scio.gov.cn/pressroom/node 8030952.htm

7. China National Botanical Garden inaugurated in Beijing

The China National Botanical Garden was officially inaugurated in Beijing on April 18th, the National Forestry and Grassland Administration said. With a planned area of 600 hectares, the national botanical garden has more than 30,000 kinds of plants and 5 million representative plant specimens from five continents.

Further reading on the following website: https://english.news.cn/20220418/266401b8cca740669549c2305224 418c/c.html

China-UK Relations

1. Ambassador Zheng Zeguang attends online book launch of

Martin Albrow and makes a speech

On April 6th, 2022, a book launch hosted by China Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) and China Publishing Group Corp (CPGC)

and supported by the Chinese Embassy in the UK was held in both Beijing and London. The English edition of Professor Albrow's new book China and the Shared Human Future: Exploring Common Values and Goals was launched followed by a themed forum. Ambassador Zheng delivered remarks through video link entitled Build up Consensus, Pool Strength and Create a Better Future. The full text of the remarks is as follows.

http://www.chinese-embassy.org.uk/eng/dshdjjh/202204/t20220407_10665140.htm

Policy and Facts

1. China Stays Committed to Peace, Stability and Order in The

South China Sea

https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/wjb_663304/zzjg_663340/bianhaisi_eng_665278/plpbo/202204/t20220409_10666104.html

2. Documentaries: Above the Great Rivers

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Important Terms about China

1. A new development paradigm with domestic circulation as

the mainstay and domestic and international circulations reinforcing each other

Expand domestic demand at home, lead and create new demand with innovation-driven, high-quality supply, and remove barriers to circulation. Build an integrated domestic market that is highly efficient, rule-based, fair and open, and ensure smooth circulation of key factors and resources. Promote a higher level of opening up to the outside world, provide broader market opportunities for the world, more closely interact with the world economy, and promote the common development of the Chinese economy and the world economy.

2. Hainan Free Trade Port

The CPC Central Committee and the State Council released the Overall Plan for the Construction of the Hainan Free Trade Port (Overall Plan) in June 2020. Subsequently, the Hainan Free Trade Port Law of the People's Republic of China took effect on 10 June 2021. Free entry and exit of goods, investment liberalisation and facilitation, preferential enterprise income tax and individual income tax are the key features of the Hainan Free Trade Port.

http://en.hnftp.gov.cn/

3. Common prosperity

The common prosperity we desire is not egalitarianism. To use an analogy, we will first make the pie bigger, and then divide it properly through reasonable institutional arrangements. As a rising tide lifts all boats, everyone will get a fair share from development, and development gains will benefit all our people in a more substantial and equitable way.

4. Anti-monopoly regulation

The Chinese government has stepped up anti-monopoly

regulation and cracked down on unfair competition behaviors to uphold fair competition. Based on laws and precedents, such efforts are the common practice of managing economic activities in many countries. This will fundamentally promote fair, orderly and sustainable growth and development of the Chinese economy, and will be good for the world economy in the long run. Chinese and foreign investors, business operators and consumers will eventually benefit from it.

China in my eyes

1. Bridge Builders: Stephen Perry

https://stories.cgtneurope.tv/hubs/bridge-builders-stephen-perry/index.html

2. Bridge Builders: Michael Wood

https://stories.cgtneurope.tv/hubs/bridge-builders-michael-wood/index.html

3. Bridge Builders: Zoe Reed

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Pictures of China

Boao Forum for Asia focuses on green recovery, sustainable development

https://english.news.cn/20220420/64f863d7addf4131b48af0a4c39c6191/c.html

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