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# **China and the World**

## **1. President Xi holds talks with US President Donald Trump**

On November 9, President Xi Jinping held talks with President Donald Trump of the US at the Great Hall of the People. The two heads of state conducted extensive and in-depth exchange of views on China-US relations and major international and regional issues of common concern.

Both sides recognized that substantial progress has been achieved in the development of China-US relations since this year. China-US relations concern not only the well-being of the two peoples, but also the peace, stability and prosperity of the world. Cooperation is the only right choice for both China and the US, and only win-win results can make the two countries usher in a better future.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\\_eng/zxxx\\_662805/t1509898.shtml](http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1509898.shtml)

**Chinese, US companies sign over 250 bln USD business deals**

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/09/c\\_136740329.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/09/c_136740329.htm)

**SCIO briefing on economic outcomes achieved during China-US presidential meeting in Beijing**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1605801/1605801.htm>

## **2. President Xi highlights innovation, opening-up, inclusive development for global prosperity**

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Saturday Nov. 11 underscored the significance of innovation, opening-up and inclusive development for a new round of global prosperity.

Speaking at the 25th Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders' Meeting in Vietnam's central city of Da Nang, Xi called on the 21 APEC members to promote innovation as a strong growth driver, open up their economies to create more space for development, pursue inclusive development to enhance their people's sense of fulfillment, and enrich their partnerships and deliver benefits to all involved.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/11/c\\_136744800.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/11/c_136744800.htm)

**Xi draws grand picture for Asia-Pacific development**

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/11/c\\_136744831.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/11/c_136744831.htm)

**Full text of President Xi's address at APEC CEO Summit**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1605737/1605737.htm>

**Xi's APEC attendance, state visits chart new course for China's major-country diplomacy in new era: Foreign Minister**

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/15/c\\_136752428.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/15/c_136752428.htm)

### **3. China to play bigger role in climate talks**

China will take on a more assertive role and strive to push forward the Paris Agreement to combat global warming at the ongoing climate talks in Bonn, Germany, according to delegates from the country.

"China will do its best to fulfill its own climate pledges, and we do not rule out the possibility to achieve more than what we have pledged," said Gou Haibo, a senior representative for climate change negotiations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, at a news conference in Bonn.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/business/2017-11/08/content\\_34259218.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/business/2017-11/08/content_34259218.htm)

**China highly concerned with climate change, vows to boost green development**

[https://news.cgtn.com/news/7a417a4d33597a6333566d54/share\\_p.html](https://news.cgtn.com/news/7a417a4d33597a6333566d54/share_p.html)

**China urges more action, unity on climate change**

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/cndy/2017-11/13/content\\_34463641.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/cndy/2017-11/13/content_34463641.htm)

### **4. China, ASEAN to formulate strategic partnership vision toward 2030**

China proposes the formulation of a vision for strategic partnership between China and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) toward the year 2030 to upgrade cooperation, Chinese Premier Li Keqiang said on Nov. 13.

Chairing the 20th China-ASEAN (10+1) leaders' meeting in Manila with Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte, Li said the vision will upgrade the China-ASEAN cooperation framework from 2+7 to 3+X.

Further reading on the following website:

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1605941/1605941.htm>

**Premier Li :To Write New Chapter for East Asian Cooperation and Open Up New Prospects for East Asian Development**

[http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa\\_eng/zxxx\\_662805/t1511161.shtml](http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/zxxx_662805/t1511161.shtml)

## **5. Trade between China, Belt and Road countries up 15 percent**

Trade between China and countries along the Belt and Road amounted to 786 billion U.S. dollars in the first three quarters, the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) said on November 2.

The volume was a 15-percent increase from the same period last year, MOC spokesperson Gao Feng told a press conference.

From January to September, Chinese businesses directly invested 9.6 billion U.S. dollars in countries along the Belt and Road, up 29.7 percent year on year.

Investments made by Belt and Road countries in China stood at 4.24 billion U.S. dollars, up 34.4 percent year on year.

Chinese businesses have helped build 75 economic and trade cooperation zones in 24 countries along the Belt and Road, generating over 209,000 jobs, according to Gao.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/02/c\\_136723453.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-11/02/c_136723453.htm)

**First China-Finland train connection launched**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/31773/35507/35520/Document/1605823/1605823.htm>

**First trial freight train from China arrives in Slovakia**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/31773/35507/35520/Document/1605927/1605927.htm>

**New cargo route links Xinjiang with Ukraine**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/31773/35507/35520/Document/1603519/1603519.htm>

## **6. China's trade volume up 15.9 percent in Jan.-Oct.**

China's foreign trade volume rose 15.9 percent year-on-year to 22.52 trillion yuan (\$3.39 trillion) in the first ten months of this year, official data showed on November 8.

Exports increased 11.7 percent to 12.41 trillion yuan, while imports surged 21.5 percent to 10.11 trillion yuan, the General Administration of Customs (GAC) said.

The trade surplus shrank 17.8 percent to 2.3 trillion yuan in the same period.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/business/2017-11/08/content\\_34272288.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/business/2017-11/08/content_34272288.htm)

## **7. China widens access to financial markets for foreign investors**

China announced specific measures to ease or lift investment restrictions on foreign companies in its financial markets.

Foreign businesses will be allowed to own as much as 51 percent of shares in a joint venture in securities, funds and futures industries, Vice Finance Minister Zhu Guangyao said at a news conference on Nov. 10. The cap will eventually be phased out in three years.

Current foreign ownership restrictions in Chinese banks and financial asset management companies will also be removed.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://english.gov.cn/state\\_council/ministries/2017/11/10/content\\_281475938053874.htm](http://english.gov.cn/state_council/ministries/2017/11/10/content_281475938053874.htm)

## **China-UK Relations**

### **1. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: The China-UK Golden Era has new chance to bear fruit**

On November 7, the Daily Telegraph published a signed article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled "The China-UK Golden Era has new chance to bear fruit".

In the article, Ambassador Liu points out that while the 19<sup>th</sup> CPC National Congress heralds a new era for the socialism with Chinese characteristics and a new journey for China's future development, it also creates new dynamism and opportunities for China's relations with the world. After sharing his observations of four major opportunities for China-UK relations, he hopes that both sides will seize the precious opportunities and work together to deliver more "golden fruits" in the China-UK "Golden Era" .

Full text of the article on the following website:

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/ambassador/dsjhjcf/t1508380.htm>

## **2. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming briefs the British business community on the 19th CPC National Congress**

On November 7, Ambassador Liu Xiaoming gave a speech to the British business community about the 19th National Congress of the Communist Party of China.

Ambassador Liu explained the significance and impact of the Congress, expounding on its four major outcomes. He shared his belief that the prospects of China's economic and social development will be good and exciting. Stressing that the Congress brings to the world China's wisdom, China's concepts and China's opportunities, he urges the British business community to seize the opportunity of China-UK win-win cooperation in the new era and be more actively engaged in building the China-UK "Golden Era".

Full text of the speech on the following website:

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/ambassador/dsjhjcf/t1507979.htm>

## **3. Ambassador Liu: China is entering a new era and the world will be better for it**

On November 3, the Evening Standard published a signed article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled " China is entering a new era and the world will be better for it " .

Ambassador Liu points out that at the 19th CPC National Congress, General Secretary Xi Jinping outlined from a historical and global perspective where China is standing and where it is heading. As socialism with Chinese characteristics enters a new era, growth in China is going to demonstrate four salient features, namely steady growth, quality growth, inclusive growth and win-win cooperation with the world.

Full text of the article on the following website:

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/ambassador/dsjhjcf/t1507452.htm>

## **China News**

### **1. China successfully develops first Hualong One nuclear reactor**

China's first nuclear reactor using Hualong One technology, a domestically developed third-generation reactor design, completed all the tests on November 6 in Southwest China's Sichuan province.

Jointly designed by two nuclear power giants, China General Nuclear Power Group and China National Nuclear Corporation (CNNC), Hualong One pressurized water reactor is seen as another big step in the development of China's home-grown third-generation nuclear power facilities, after the country's first domestic CAP1400 pressurized water reactor successfully been made in September.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2017-11/07/content\\_34231574.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2017-11/07/content_34231574.htm)

### **2. China publishes draft supervision law to solicit public opinion**

On November 7, China's top legislature published the draft law on supervision to solicit public opinion.

The draft of the National Supervision Law will be open for public comment on the National People's Congress website until Dec. 6.

The draft has made clear regulations on China's new detention system, which will replace the "shuanggui" system.

Shuanggui was an intra-party disciplinary practice that required a member of the Communist Party of China being investigated to cooperate

with questioning at a set time and place. The practice was monitored by Party disciplinary officials, but its largely informal process caused tricky legal issues.

The new detention system will safeguard the rights of those under investigation with several measures.

Further reading on the following website:

[http://www.china.org.cn/china/2017-11/08/content\\_41860937.htm](http://www.china.org.cn/china/2017-11/08/content_41860937.htm)

**China's new detention system helps solve tricky legal issues**

<http://www.ecns.cn/2017/11-07/279862.shtml>

**China to set up national supervision commission next year**

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1603504/1603504.htm>

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