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China News

1. President Xi: China will not 'export' Chinese model

Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, said Friday, Dec 1 that the CPC will neither "import" foreign models of development, nor "export" the Chinese model and ask other countries to "copy" the Chinese practice.

Xi made the remarks while addressing the opening ceremony of CPC in Dialogue with World Political Parties High-level Meeting in Beijing.

He reiterated that the CPC strives for both the well-being of the Chinese people and human progress.

Further reading on the following website:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/01/c_136793833.htm

Xi proposes to establish new model of party-to-party relations

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/01/c_136793705.htm

Concept of "community with shared future for mankind" being transformed into action: Xi

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/01/c_136793789.htm

Dialogue links global political parties

http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2017-12/01/content_35148252.htm

2. President Xi welcomes countries to ride fast train of internet, digital economy

Chinese President Xi Jinping said China hopes to encourage countries around the world to take a ride on the express train of internet and digital economic development.

Xi, also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, made the remarks in a congratulatory letter to the Fourth World Internet Conference, which opened Sunday, Dec 3 in the eastern Chinese town of Wuzhen.

The conference has the theme "Developing digital economy for openness and shared benefits -- building a community of common future in cyberspace."

Further reading on the following website:

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1612585/1612585.htm>

Senior CPC official meets foreign World Internet Conference guests

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/04/c_136797798.htm

World Internet Conference concludes in east China

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1612740/1612740.htm>

3. President Xi calls for respect for developing countries' will in human rights development

Chinese President Xi Jinping has called on the international community to respect and reflect the will of the people in developing countries with regard to human rights development.

Xi made the remarks in a congratulatory message to the South-South Human Rights Forum, which opened in Beijing on Thursday Dec 7.

"It is important for the international community to respect and reflect the will of the people in developing countries in the spirit of justice, fairness, openness and inclusiveness," the message said.

Further reading on the following website:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/07/c_136808483.htm

South-South Human Rights Forum opens in Beijing

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1613029/1613029.htm>

Full text of Beijing Declaration adopted by the First South-South Human Rights Forum

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1613144/1613144.htm>

4. President Xi promises wider opening-up as Fortune forum opens

Chinese President Xi Jinping Wednesday told world business leaders gathering in China that the country would continue to open up and

improve its business climate to create more opportunities and make a greater contribution to the world.

Xi made the remarks in a congratulatory letter to the 2017 Fortune Global Forum, which opened in the southern Chinese city of Guangzhou on Wednesday Dec 6.

In his letter, Xi said China would develop the open economy to a higher level, promote the Belt and Road Initiative, and push for a new pattern of all-round opening up.

Further reading on the following website:

http://www.china.org.cn/business/2017-12/07/content_50090375.htm

Fortune Global Forum kicks off in Guangzhou

http://www.china.org.cn/business/2017-12/07/content_50090752.htm

5. Long-term, ambitious climate goals boost green finance: China's top climate envoy

China's practice in recent years shows that establishing long-term, effective and ambitious goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions can attract more capital and technology from all sectors to engage in developing a green economy, Xie Zhenhua, China's special representative on climate change, said on Tuesday, Dec 12.

Xie made the remarks while addressing a forum on leveraging public funds to combat climate change, part of the activities of the One Planet Summit co-organized by France, the United Nations (UN) and the World Bank.

He reminded the attendees that China unveiled such ambitious goals to cut emissions in 2009 and 2015, respectively, in its intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs), an action plan submitted to the Secretariat of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Further reading on the following website:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/14/c_136824114.htm

6. President Xi attends state memorial ceremony for Nanjing Massacre victims

Chinese President Xi Jinping attended the state memorial ceremony in Nanjing on Wednesday, Dec 13 to mark the 80th anniversary of Nanjing Massacre.

The memorial ceremony started at 10 a.m. Xi and the senior officials joined representatives from all walks of life at the ceremony and observed one-minute silence for the massacre victims as sirens howled over the city.

Further reading on the following website:

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1613335/1613335.htm>

7. China's foreign trade volume rises 15.6 percent for first 11 months

China's foreign trade performance continues to impress as the country's commerce ministry announced on Dec 11 that foreign trade volume for the first eleven months of this year rose by 15.6 percent on last year's figure to 25.14 trillion yuan.

Exports were worth 13.85 trillion yuan, an increase of 11.6 percent, while imports expanded by more than a fifth to 11.29 trillion yuan. The trade surplus fell by 16.7 percent to 2.56 trillion yuan.

MOFCOM sent the message that China's trade with its major partners remained steady and strong, amid rising anti-globalization sentiment and a recovering global economy.

Further reading on the following website:

https://news.cgtn.com/news/3463444e31637a6333566d54/share_p.html

China's industrial output up 6.1 percent in November

<http://www.scio.gov.cn/32618/Document/1613457/1613457.htm>

China-UK Relations

1. UK, China vow to enhance people-to-people, cultural exchanges

British Prime Minister Theresa May met on Tuesday, Dec 5 with visiting Chinese Vice Premier Liu Yandong, with both sides pledging to

strengthen people-to-people and cultural exchanges to enhance public support for the bilateral relations.

Liu is here to co-chair, with British Secretary of State for Health Jeremy Hunt, the fifth annual UK-China High-Level People-to-People Dialogue, which is the highest-level bilateral dialogue held in Britain this year.

This year marks the 45th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Britain, Liu said, noting that the meeting between Chinese President Xi Jinping and May during the G20 summit in Hamburg, Germany in July has helped reconfirm the direction of the development of bilateral relations.

Further reading on the following website:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-12/06/c_136804945.htm

The fifth annual UK-China High-Level People-to-People Dialogue held in London

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/zywl/t1518492.htm>

2. 9th UK-China Economic and Financial Dialogue held in Beijing

China's Vice Premier Ma Kai and the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer Phillip Hammond concluded the ninth UK- China Economic and Financial Dialogue on Dec 16. The two sides reached a number of agreements in various areas.

The UK has signed a "Contribution Agreement" with Asia Infrastructure Investment Bank, formalizing its commitment to provide 50 million US dollars to the AIIB's special Fund for Project Preparation, matching China's commitment of the same amount.

Further reading on the following website:

https://news.cgtn.com/news/33557a4d32637a6333566d54/share_p.html

Premier Li meets with British chancellor of exchequer

http://english.gov.cn/premier/news/2017/12/16/content_281475978996744.htm

Policy Outcomes of the 9th China-UK Economic and Financial Dialogue

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/zywl/t1520081.htm>

3. Ambassador Liu Xiaoming: China no "intervener" in Africa but equalpartner

On Dec 6, the Daily Telegraph published a signed article by Ambassador Liu Xiaoming entitled "China's role in Africa is as an equal partner".

In the article, Ambassador Liu pointed to the recent speculation in the media about China being an "intervener" in Africa, about the Chinese model driving western democracy out of Africa and allegations that Chinese aid connives in encouraging "dictatorship and corruption" across the continent.

Ambassador Liu refuted such accusations and pointed out that:

"First, China never interferes in the internal affairs of African countries but respect their independent choice of development model. Second, China is ready to share its experience rather than impose its will. Third, Chinese aid to Africa has no political strings attached and aims at livelihood and capacity building."

Ambassador Liu stressed that China will always be an equal and genuine partner of Africa, working together to build a new type of international relations featuring mutual respect, fairness, justice and win-win cooperation, and a community of shared future for all mankind.

Full text of the article on the following website:

<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/ce/ceuk/eng/tpxw/t1517299.htm>

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