China, Brazil agree to deepen strategic ties

Two sides to boost cooperation in poverty alleviation, social development, innovation

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China and Brazil agreed to deepen their comprehensive strategic partnership and wages cooperation — during Brazilian President Luis Inácio Lula da Silva’s state visit to China, which concluded on Saturday.

The two countries are expected to forge a new and strong strategic partnership and wage cooperation in the region and around the world, experts said.

When visiting China on Saturday morning, Lula da Silva said he was satisfied with the trip and was pleased that the strategic relationship between Brazil and China is improving.

There was a positive economic joint statement on deepening ties. Then the presidents signed five cooperation agreements in areas such as poverty alleviation, development, social and technological innovation. They also exchanged views on strengthening cooperation on combating climate change.

On the climate change issue, the leaders agreed to make contributions to developing countries to make up for the power gap and realize sustainable and harmonious development. The leaders also agreed to work on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and on the development of green energy.

Xi Jinping, head of the Communist Party of China and Chinese president, and Lula da Silva, president of Brazil, signed a joint statement on deepening their comprehensive strategic partnership.

Noting that both China and Brazil uphold multilateralism and international fairness and justice, Lula da Silva said Brazil would work with China to make contributions to developing countries to make up for the power gap and realize sustainable and harmonious development.

The two-day trip was launched on the second day of the BRICS summit in Brasilia. It is the first BRICS summit to be hosted by Brazil since Lula da Silva took office in 2021.

The two leaders agreed that they should work together to strengthen the role of the BRICS and with the world to promote peace, development and cooperation. They also agreed to work on strengthening cooperation on combating climate change.

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**Party: Action taken to meet new challenges**

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Charles Osmundal, director of the Center for Chinese Studies in Nigeria, said Xi Jinping’s thoughts on socialism with Chinese characteristics for a New Era, as a fundamental guideline to China’s governance philosophy, reflects the ways in which the CPC works to modernize its governance system and systemically tackle global governance challenges.

The thought was established as the guiding ideology of the entire Party at the 10th National Congress, and has become the “new compass” for the CPC to govern the nation, Osmundal said.

In 2012, the 18th CPC National Congress was held, and Xi Jinping became its leader, as it sought to address the real challenges China faced and drew up a blueprint to ensure the new era was characterized by a new direction for the Party.

After the Congress, under the leadership of the CPC Central Committee with Xi Jinping as its core, the Party has made remarkable achievements in a wide range of areas. These include strengthening internal discipline, boosting high-quality economic development, and promoting the demonstration of international relations, highlighting the importance of the CPC’s scientific and democratic governance to China’s modernization and world peace and development.

The thought covers various areas, including reform, development, social stability, domestic affairs, foreign relations, national defense, and governance of the Party. It has also been identified as a military, which constitutes a comprehensive scientific system.

Equally, the thought’s highlights and how success it is, Xi, general secretary of the CPC Central Committee, said the Party based complex situations at home and abroad on the principle of a great transition in the new era, with challenges related to domestic reform, development and stability, as well as uncertainties and irreproachable risks and challenges ahead.

Providing over a group study session of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee on March 10, Xi said the goal of establishing the Thought has been achieved.

Efforts should be made to use the Thought to achieve new progress and breakthroughs in Chinese modernization, solve our country’s problems, and initiatives mold the new era to which the CPC has been committed.

Li Jianguo, director of the Chinese Academy of Science’s Institute of Physical Science, said that guided by the Thought, China’s technological innovation has made great breakthroughs in the past decade. As one of the important scientific institutions in China, the institute has always been committed to overcoming difficulties in core technology in key fields and strived to contribute to technological progress to the nation’s high-quality development.

Lisa Matthew, a professor at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, said that guided by the Thought, the institute has continued to research and innovate, and has strengthened its scientific ability to meet new challenges.

**Traditions of learning**

Xi has said on various occasions that the Chinese Communist Party has never been a traditional learning party and will not be in the future.

Children, young people, and the masses have gained great attention in intra-party education, so the CPC can strengthen its members and officials by continually improving political education and the latest knowledge so as to enlighten the country over the long term and better serve the people.

Based on such a tradition, the CPC has made a regular practice and an institutional requirement for all Party members to gain a good command of the Party constitution, Party regulations and related major policies, meet Party standards, and fulfill their stated learning tasks.

To put the Party’s theoretical innovation achievements into practice, the CPC Central Committee has called on all Party members to focus on pursuing high-quality development, which is the primary task of building a modern socialist country in all respects. They should also improve their performance in practice with enhanced theoretical understanding, and devote themselves to the development and improvement through in-depth research.

**Investigation and research**

On April 5, Xi said in an article on the thematic education campaign that all Party members should go to the grassroots level and apply the CPC’s new theories to study new situations and address new problems.

Acting on these instructions, Party officials at various levels are engaged in extensive research and studies, showing the CPC’s dedication to ensuring a good grasp of Chinese modernization.

In addition to domestic innovation or research trends, top Party and government officials, CPC officials at provincial and lower levels have visited businesses, commercial entities and the masses, and held talks with entrepreneurs and business owners.

Cutting-edge research and results are put in the party’s brochure and reports to the Party’s people-oriented development philosophy and its determination to serve the people wholeheartedly.

Engaging in extensive research and studies will help CPC cadres learn more about people’s pressing concerns, and identify and address the essence of tough issues in various areas, such as innovation and reform and opening up, observers said.

The problem-solving drive shows that the CPC is firm in tackling bottlenecks and unfavorable factors in development and is proceeding with boldness and determination to maintain the Party’s philosophical understanding of the Party’s leadership in the development of the Party’s new era.

The CPC is an avant-garde party with the people, relying on them and mobilizing their initiative, enthusiasm and creative force.

On April 14, a researcher at the Center for Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era at the Party School of the CPC Central Committee, said putting people first and uplifting people-centered development are fundamental to the Thought.

In an article published in People’s Daily, Xu said that the Party’s leadership is invaluable, and the Party’s people-oriented development philosophy and Tongxin’s leadership in the Thought are valid.

**CPC empowers itself with series of Party-wide education campaigns**

**GeneralSecretary Xi Jinping attaches great importance to intra-party education campaigns.**

Xi Jinping has said that the Chinese Communists have relied on learning to get to where they are today, and will inevitably continue to be the case in the future.

In 2012, the 18th National Congress of the CPC held in November 2012, Xi Jinping said: “We should make better use of the momentum of cultivating closer ties with the people.”

“Mass line” refers to a guideline under which CPC officials and members are required to promote the interests of the people and exercise power on their behalf.

A thorough cleanup of unsound work styles was carried out, with officials required to reflect on their work and correct any bad practices.

**Campaign for the observance of the Three Stricts and Three Laurels**

It was an important step for the CPC to extend its internal education campaigns among the “three key” local Party members and to push for a shift of the mechanism from one that features centralized education to a regular practice.

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**Campaign for improving awareness of the need to stay true to the Party’s founding mission**

On May 13, 2019, the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee held a meeting at which it was decided that an education campaign on the theme of “praying true to the Party’s founding mission” would start in June that year.

A high-level meeting was held to announce the campaign among all members of the CPC. It was an important step for the CPC to extend its internal education campaigns among the “three key” local Party members and to push for a shift of the mechanism from one that features centralized education to a regular practice.

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Demand for high-quality education abroad has not decreased, consultancies say

By BYE JIN

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Composed of five chapters, the document explores the significant changes and strategies in the agricultural sector, emphasizing the importance of international cooperation and the need for a sustainable approach. The document highlights the role of various stakeholders, including governments, researchers, and agricultural practitioners, in driving the agricultural sector forward. It also discusses the impact of technological advancements and the need for continuous innovation to address the challenges faced by the agricultural sector. The document concludes with a call to action, urging readers to support initiatives that promote sustainable agricultural practices and foster international collaborations.
**Shandong city seeks to capitalize on barbecue fame**

By ZHOU MIN

Shandong city in Shandong province has unexpectedly gone viral on Chinese social media recently, thanks to its countrywide efforts to promote local specialties, especially barbecue. The city government has taken the opportunity to reposition its food-related tourism industry.

The latest promotion graced visitors at the famous Shandong Province Tourism Promotion Week held at Jinan International Convention and Exhibition Center on March 23, offering a taste of the province's regional barbecue culture. The Shandong Provincial Tourism Bureau invited professionals from culinary industries of various Chinese regions to express their views on the barbecue development in Jinan, promoting the city's local barbecue cuisine to the world.

The barbecue cuisine of the Shandong coastal city has been incorporated into 21 international culinary competitions, with 27 silver medals and 19 bronze medals won, according to the event organizers.

**As job market records, candidates told to be more realistic about remuneration**

By CHEENG SHI

The average monthly salary for new recruits in major cities including Beijing and Shanghai saw a slight drop in the first quarter of 2023 compared to last year, according to job search and industry monitors reported.

Employment experts at Zhaopin.com recently released a report saying that the average salary for new graduates in major cities was 9,381 yuan ($1,510) in March, a 4.8 percent year-to-year drop.

The survey of 28 cities across the country also showed that the average annual salary of new graduates fell to 11,160 yuan ($1,770) in March, down by 4.9 percent from a year earlier.

Salary expectations of new graduates in major cities fell by 3.6 percent lower than in the fourth quarter of the previous year, according to companies.

In the first quarter of 2023, the average annual salary of major cities was $14,030, up by 5.7 percent from a year earlier.

The report said that graduates in fields such as software and IT are most optimistic about finding work, while those in arts and education are less optimistic.

Employers in the platform offered an average monthly salary of 12,358 yuan ($1,975) for job seekers applying for positions related to new energy, covering the industry's highest among the 30 with the highest salaries.

**Shenzhen forum attracts overseas professionals**

By CHEN WEN

Shenzhen, the fastest-growing city in China, hosted a forum on international talent recruitment on March 24 to attract overseas professionals.

The forum aimed to promote Shenzhen’s talent attraction policies and showcase the city’s innovative and entrepreneurial environment.

Shenzhen has been attracting overseas professionals with its innovative and entrepreneurial environment.

**Spacewalks become routine after 12th mission**

By HOU JINGJING

A spacewalk was successfully completed on Sunday, marking the 12th mission for the Tiangong space station.

The Tiangong-2 space station, launched in 2016, has completed 12 spacewalks since its launch, becoming the first space station in China to have conducted routine spacewalks.

**First critical, green toilet now flush with fans**

By HOU JINGJING

A toilet in Shihuahe district in Chengdu, Sichuan province, has become a hot topic among netizens on social media.

The toilet, located in a public restroom, has a unique green toilet that uses fans to flush the waste.

The concept of using fans to flush toilets is not new, but the integration of technology and design in this particular toilet has caught the attention of netizens.

The toilet uses a unique fan system to create a vacuum that flushes the waste into the sewer system, providing a more hygienic and sustainable option for public restrooms.

**Dedicated to the development of Chinese culture**

By HAN ZHENG


The exhibition, titled “From Ancient to Modern: The Development of Chinese Culture,” showcases a comprehensive collection of artifacts and artifacts that highlight the evolution of Chinese culture from ancient times to modern-day.

The exhibition covers various aspects of Chinese culture, including calligraphy, painting, sculpture, and martial arts, providing a rich and engaging insight into the country’s cultural heritage.

The exhibition is open to the public until the end of the year, offering visitors a unique opportunity to explore and appreciate the rich and diverse cultural traditions of China.
Mainland life strikes a chord with musical couple

By HU MEILING in Fuzhou and CHANG CHI-HAO in Taipei

“Let’s hold a romantic home party. Love is singing a touching song for your lover. Share your feelings and emotions with each other,” said gangsta rapper DJ Mike Ty in his song “Home.”

On Monday, Hu Meiling and Chang Chi-hao, both 22, held such a romantic home party in Fuzhou, the capital of Fujian province, to celebrate their one-year-long relationship.

The couple, who met in university, shared a passionate love story that started with a musical performance. Chang, a violinist, and Hu, a vocalist, both studied music at Beijing University of the Arts. They had been singing together in local music clubs before they met. The chemistry between them was evident when they performed at a school music festival.

“His voice is so deep and unique, and my singing style is more of a pop ballad. Together, we create a perfect blend,” Hu said.

In 2020, Chang and Hu were selected as members of China’s Olympic National Team for the Tokyo Olympics. However, due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Olympic Games were postponed to 2021. This gave the couple an opportunity to focus on their music career.

They released their first album, “The Legend of the East,” in 2021, which received critical acclaim and charted on music platforms. The album features a mix of traditional Chinese music and modern hip-hop beats, reflecting their unique musical style.

To celebrate their one-year anniversary, the couple decided to hold a romantic home party. They invited their friends, who are also musicians, to sing and play music together. The atmosphere was filled with music, love, and laughter.

Chang said that music is the best way to express emotions and connect with others. “Music is a bridge that brings people together,” he said.

Hu added that music is a powerful tool that can heal wounds and lift spirits. “During tough times, music can provide comfort and hope,” she said.

The couple is planning to release their second album next year, which will feature collaborations with other musicians and explore new musical genres.

As for the future, they hope to continue pursuing their music careers while also maintaining a healthy balance between work and personal life. They dream of performing at international music festivals and spreading their music to the world.

“Music is our passion, and we will keep doing what we love,” Chang said.

“Every time we perform, we feel a sense of fulfillment and happiness,” Hu added.
Germany closes its last three nuclear power plants

Angela Merkel in 2011 after the Fukushima nuclear disaster that year. Anti-nuclear demonstrators took to the streets in several German cities to mark the closures.

Angela Merkel also used some of the anti-nuclear fuel to be used to power the

Call for delay: The chance of a nuclear crisis had increased significantly for the unit from nuclear power to be delayed. The nuclear industry had to "expand the supply of energy and not restrict it to any further" in order to avoid the potential risks and high prices, Peter Adam, president of the German Chamber of Commerce, told the newspaper Rheinische Post. Friedrich Meise, leader of the opposition CDU party, and another anti-nuclear voice was the result of "absolutely necessary." The three final plants, owned by the German energy giant E.ON, were to be shut down in 2018, 2019 and 2020 respectively.

"Sooner or later" the market will be "burdened by discomfort," Economy Minister Robert Habeck said before the scheduled decommissioning, lamenting the idea of an eternity.

Instead, Habeck said he is focusing on getting Germany to operate at 40% of its energy from renewable sources by 2030. By 2020, EON has called for the installation of "five to six wind turbines a day" over the next few years, a goal he has that were installed last year. But the current rate of progress on renewables could well be too slow for Germany to meet its climate protection goals.

Despite planning to abandon nuclear energy, Germany has not "patched itself enough with the expansion of renewables in the last 10 years," Agnieszka Browne, head of Agnieszka's think tank Agnieszka Environmentalists, said. To build enough onshore wind capacity, Germany now has to "pull out all the stops," she added.

Lula visit seen as victory for partnership

Brazil and China can look forward to closer bilateral relations, experts say

The relationship between Brazil and China has been further cemented by the visit of former Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, who was recently elected for a third term in office. It is his first foreign trip outside of America since he was installed as president for his third term. He is a joint statement issued after he met President Xi Jinping at the Great Hall of the People.

"We will continue to pursue the same path of cooperation and support for each other," Xi Jinping said, while Lula added that "China and Brazil are good partners in the fight against climate change and for the sustainable development of our countries."

"It's clear that there's a strong desire to strengthen our bilateral relations," said Gilson Machado, a professor of international relations at the University of Brasilia.

"The visit of Lula is significant because it represents a new chapter in the strategic partnership between China and Brazil, which is expected to bring positive results for both countries," he added.

US show marches beat of Chinese instruments

LOS ANGELES — China-made instruments are stealing the spotlight at a major music exhibition in Southern California, attracting thousands of music fans and energizing expectations for the growing Chinese music industry.

About 2,000 exhibits from across China are being shown at the annual NAMM Show, which is held at the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, California, from Thursday to Sunday.

"It's an opportunity to see over 100 Chinese manufacturers, from more than 120 countries and territories," said Christopher Joseph Lannard, the show's director.

Through the show, China is hoping to get the music world to notice its new products and capabilities, Lannard said, adding that the participation of Chinese manufacturers in the NAMM Show has increased from 10% in 2015 to more than 40%. The number of Chinese exhibitors is expected to continue growing in the coming years, he added.

"China is quickly becoming a major player in the global music industry and is poised to become a leader in the future," said Lannard.

Cross-border rail adds to the joy of the festivities

NONG KHAI, Thailand — The second cross-border train from Nong Khai to Lao PDR has been inaugurated, adding another rail service between the two countries.

The train, which started running in January, is expected to significantly reduce travel time and bring economic benefits to both countries.

"People from Thailand come to Nong Khai to ask to take the China-Laos Railway. Sometimes we have more customers than we can serve," said a local official.

The train is scheduled to make stops at the towns of Lao Dara Railway Station and Victoria Falls, and to run between Nong Khai and Vientiane, the capital of Laos.

Foreign tourists can now visit Laos through the Nong Khai to Vientiane route, which is part of the China-Laos Railway project.

"We get ready for more China tourists coming to visit, and we are ready to make the best service for them," said a tourism official.

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SANA'A — The Yemeni government and Houthi militias said on Tuesday that the last of a three-day exchange of nearly 1,000 detainees had been completed.

The first flight from Marib and the rest from San'a, the capital, were said to be 90 percent complete. The exchange was part of a tech- nique to boost the country's economy and promote peace.

The Yemeni government and Houthi militias negotiated the exchange and agreed on the terms. The exchange was completed on Tuesday.
Security tight as G7 diplomats gather

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Chika Sato was department chief at the Ministry of Defense in Tokyo for six years. She says, "We gave a major speech in front of the G7 leaders. A few minutes later, our security team entered the room, and we were able to hold the meeting." She adds, "There were even more security measures this year than in previous years." The G7 leaders are meeting in the town of Hiroshima to discuss issues such as climate change and nuclear non-proliferation.

Briefly

UN manual suicide bomber

A man in a suicide bomber jacket was seen walking through the UN headquarters in New York on Tuesday. According to eyewitnesses, the man appeared to be a suicide bomber. However, the UN has not confirmed this report. The UN has increased security measures in response to the suicide bomber incident.

Deadly conflict in Sudan: Egypt's global concerns

Egypt has condemned the deadly conflict in Sudan's Darfur region. Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi has called for an immediate and unconditional ceasefire to end the violence. "We must work together to find a solution to this conflict," Sisi said in a statement.

Women's empowerment in Vietnam

Vietnam has made significant progress in empowering women. In 2019, the country ranked 48th out of 153 countries in the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap Report. Vietnam's female labor force participation rate is 50.3%, and women hold a significant number of high-ranking positions in various sectors.

Think tank founder: Europe needs to 'work with China'

"Europe needs to 'work with China'." This is the quote from the think tank founder, who believes that Europe must find a way to work with China to avoid becoming too dependent on the US and its values.

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Agile firms ride policies, domestic strengths to upgrade products, tap new channels

By LIU ZHIBIN and WANG KEJU

When some US corporate executives recently visited Zhejiang, a manufacturer of high-quality safety and work clothes asked the National Customs Service of Ningbo, East China’s Zhejiang province, the non-punitive administrative penalties. Yu Ming, manager of the company, showed them around the assembly lines and the various application scenarios.

“We hope to work together to extend business and further open up the Asia-Pacific market in the future,” said Wang, adding that such market expansion initiatives have been in full swing recently.

The company registered a 15 per cent-year-on-year increase in its first-quarter orders. Some of the new orders were placed by firms in Ireland, the United States and some Southeast Asian countries.

With external demand weak and other negatives emerging, including rising prices, deglobalization phenomena, Chinese companies such as Safewell are ramps up efforts to expand their shipments. Some of their efforts have already generated success in the form of new orders.

Business experts and trade analysts said China’s exports will likely experience growing despite challenges, and contributions to overall growth will buoy up.

Chang Chunmu, a professor at Nankai University, said China’s Customs service released data recently that in late March, around 360,000 companies completed Customs clearance procedures during that period, up from the average of 360,000.

With an abundance of new opportunities and convenient international logistics, the experts referred to as “the world’s workshop”, is also advancing its upgrading of China’s export capacity.

Data from Zhejiang’s Administration of Customs showed China’s overall export volume in the first quarter of the year-on-year was up 3.1 trillion yuan ($489.4 billion) from the previous year, meeting market expectations.

In the first quarter, the country’s exports surged by 8.4 per cent year-on-year to 1.61 trillion yuan.

“With the global economy slowing, China’s companies need to make stronger movements to tap the potential of China’s economic growth and trade,” said Pan Jia, head of the China Import & Export Chamber of Commerce.

“China has the world’s largest and most competitive manufacturing systems. It can produce high-quality and cost-effective products for the world market. Chinese enterprises are very agile and flexible to adjust their products and services to meet new needs and demands as the world changes.”

For example, the country’s crude oil prices are decided by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and supplier countries, while the OPEC+ and its allies will decide to reduce or increase oil production. In the current timeframe, the OPEC+ and its allies have decided to increase oil production by 100,000 barrels per day in May and June, while in July, the increase will be 400,000 barrels per day. This increase in oil production is expected to impact the global oil market.

Experts agree that China’s companies can take advantage of this opportunity to increase exports to the United States, Europe, and other countries where oil demand is high.

In other regions, China’s companies can focus on other products where they have a competitive advantage, such as electronics, machinery, and medical products. These products have seen strong demand in recent months.

China’s companies can also focus on promoting their brands and quality products to build a strong reputation in international markets. By doing so, they can attract more customers and gain a competitive advantage in the global market.

In conclusion, China’s companies can take advantage of the current market conditions to increase exports and gain a competitive advantage in the global market. By doing so, they can contribute to China’s economic growth and help ensure a positive outlook for the country’s future.
EAGLE EYE
By Zhao Xinge and Qiu Ju

The recent visit of French President Emmanuel Macron and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen to China is believed to be a strong signal of Sino-EU bilateral relations. A dozen agreements were signed during the visit, one of which is China’s joint statement on climate change, which signals to the world that China is playing a bigger role in global governance.

The France-China joint statement on climate change is a breakthrough in the EU’s efforts to promote the international climate agenda, as the EU has been working closely with China on this issue for many years. However, given the complex geopolitical landscape, the joint statement is not a guarantee of success in the long term. Nevertheless, it is a positive step towards enhancing international cooperation and dialogue on climate change.

To date, China and the EU have both demonstrated a strong commitment to the development of a green economy. China, as the world’s largest emitter, has been actively promoting the transition to a low-carbon economy, while the EU is also working on similar efforts. The joint statement on climate change is a significant milestone in the bilateral cooperation, as it signifies a shared commitment to addressing climate change and promoting sustainable development.

The agreement on climate change is part of a broader agenda for the China-EU relationship, which includes topics such as green economy, innovation, and technology cooperation. The joint statement is expected to provide a strong impetus for further cooperation in these areas, as well as other key areas such as trade, investment, and energy.

In conclusion, the joint statement on climate change is a significant step forward in the China-EU relationship, and it is expected to lead to further cooperation and progress in addressing climate change and promoting sustainable development.

MAIN STREET
By He Qiong and Tang Min

China’s central bank, the People’s Bank of China (PBOC), is seeing a wave of reforms aimed at strengthening its monetary policy framework and improving its effectiveness. The recent announcement by the PBOC of a new policy framework is expected to enhance the country’s ability to prevent and respond to financial risks.

The new policy framework is designed to strengthen the central bank system and improve its ability to execute the relevant policies in a timely and effective manner. The PBOC has emphasized the importance of maintaining financial stability and preventing systemic risks. The new framework is expected to contribute to the overall stability of the financial sector and help maintain China’s economic growth.

The PBOC’s reforms are part of a broader effort to strengthen the country’s financial system and improve the effectiveness of its monetary policy framework. The PBOC has been working on these reforms for several years, and the new framework is expected to provide a solid foundation for future reforms.

The PBOC’s efforts are part of a broader global trend towards more effective and coordinated monetary policy. Central banks around the world are facing increasing challenges, including inflation, interest rate volatility, and uncertainty about the future of the global economy. The PBOC’s reforms are expected to help China maintain its economic growth and stability in these challenging times.
No reason for Germany to stick to unhealthy dependency on US strategy

As the French President Emmanuel Macron calls for European "strategic autonomy," German Chancellor Olaf Scholz was increased attention on Germany’s China policy during the G7 meeting. Scholz’s comments were largely interpreted as warning the US not to make Germany the "piñata" against China.

The German government’s support for US economic and trade policies is largely based on the assumption that Germany’s China policy is closely linked to the US-China policy. As Germany’s China policy is not considering the reactions of the Chinese government, it is very likely that the US will use this to force Germany to reorient its China policy.

In fact, Germany’s China policy is based on its own economic interests and its desire to remain a superpower. Germany is one of the world’s most powerful economic powers, and it wants to keep its influence in the global economy. Germany’s China policy is also based on its desire to remain a superpower. Germany is one of the world’s most powerful economic powers, and it wants to keep its influence in the global economy.

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Mutual learning leads to a shared future

Yu Jiang and Xia Ding

The Global Initiative on Metropolitan Areas and International Urban Development (GI-MAID) is an innovative initiative that seeks to promote mutual learning and joint action among metropolitan areas around the world.

GI-MAID was founded in 2010 by the China Initiative for Cities and Urban Development (CICUD) and the International Initiative for Urban Development (IUD). The initiative aims to foster partnerships and knowledge sharing among metropolitan areas globally to address common challenges and promote sustainable urban development.

GI-MAID brings together metropolitan areas from all over the world, including cities from Asia, Europe, North America, and Latin America. The initiative focuses on four key areas:

1. **Knowledge Sharing**: GI-MAID facilitates knowledge exchange and learning through regular conferences, workshops, and virtual platforms. Metropolitan areas are encouraged to share their best practices, lessons learned, and innovative solutions to common urban challenges.

2. **Partnerships for Innovation**: GI-MAID promotes partnerships between metropolitan areas to tackle complex urban issues, such as climate change, housing, and transport. These partnerships can lead to joint projects and initiatives that benefit multiple cities.

3. **Sustainable Development**: GI-MAID aims to promote sustainable urban development by encouraging metropolitan areas to adopt innovative policies and practices that reduce their environmental impact and improve quality of life for residents.

4. **Policy Advocacy**: GI-MAID acts as a platform for metropolitan areas to advocate for policies that support sustainable urban development at the national and international levels. The initiative works with governments and international organizations to influence policies that align with the goals of sustainable development.

GI-MAID has been active in various regions and has contributed to significant urban transformation projects globally. The initiative has organized numerous events and workshops, connecting metropolitan areas from different parts of the world to share knowledge and experiences. Through these efforts, GI-MAID aims to create a more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient urban environment for all.

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**Editor’s note**: China has become an important participant in urban governance mechanisms. The initiative believe that the experience of mutual learning and joint action among metropolitan areas globally can help promote sustainable urban development and contribute to global governance.

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**Beijing’s initiatives can bury ‘curses of civilization’**

Housen Ashkar

African-American political scientist Tha chemist Frederick Douglass once famously said: “Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.”

But China has embarked on a different path. It is exploring a new model of development that prioritizes human dignity, sustainability, and inclusivity over short-term economic gains. This approach reflects the country’s commitment to building a society where all citizens can thrive without sacrificing the well-being of future generations.

In Beijing, the capital city of China, this vision is being realized through a series of innovative initiatives aimed at addressing some of the most pressing challenges facing society. From improving air quality to enhancing public transport and urban planning, Beijing is setting an example for other cities around the world.

One of the key initiatives is the Beijing Urban Big Data Center, which aims to use data to improve the quality of life for residents. By analyzing large amounts of data from various sources, the center can identify trends and patterns that can inform policy decisions and guide urban development.

Another initiative is the Beijing Urban Sport System, which seeks to promote a healthier lifestyle among residents. Through programs and facilities that encourage physical activity, the system aims to reduce the prevalence of non-communicable diseases while also promoting social cohesion and community engagement.

Beijing’s approach to urban development is not just about infrastructure and physical change. It also focuses on fostering a sense of community and belonging among its residents. Through cultural institutions and community centers, Beijing is creating spaces where people can come together to share ideas, learn from each other, and support one another.

In conclusion, Beijing offers a model for cities around the world to learn from. By prioritizing human dignity, sustainability, and social inclusion, Beijing is demonstrating that it is possible to build a better future for all citizens.
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Diverse cultures

The Inner Mongolia autonomous region in North China is a destination of scenery and local beauty for many visitors. The magnificent grasslands and wetlands and other geographic features have become common sights. In a painting exhibition now on view at the Inner Mongolia Museum of Fine Art, a panoramic view of Inner Mongolia for showing the life of the people, rich culture, folk culture and improvements in the ecological environment. The exhibition, running through April 23, is a showcase mounted by Inner Mongolia Art Museum. It is also a celebration of the history of history, arranged with multi-cultural richness, and the Yellow and the Songnen rivers, all of which contributed to the development of diverse artistic cultures.

Beijing video festival focuses on emerging directions for creative performers to express themselves in era of increased possibilities, Li Yingxi reports.

The 2023 Beijing International Dance Video Festival will be held from April 28 to May 3. Photo: PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

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Film sector reveals optimistic storyline

After weathering the storm, prospects appear far more promising as new talent emerges. Xu Fan reports.

In traditional Chinese culture, spring is seen as a season of hope and possibility. While some sectors are reeling from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, optimism is mounting about the future of China’s film industry, believing that it has weathered the winter, though it is more than one, and is poised for a new beginning in spring.

China’s M-Chart, the country’s most influential movie distributor, held an award ceremony recently to recognize contributions of four directors in the domain of Chinese movies. The award, an annual honor that China cinema fans are passionate about, was presented to outstanding movie and their makers between 2012 and 2013.

The M-Chart had been held in Shanghai, Beijing province, on April 9, where it was concurrently held a show to highlight the significance of the movie for the movie industry. In addition, related Chinese filmmaking related data and the importance of the movie was also presented.

With the war time and landscape in mind, China’s film industry found that the biggest problem for the film industry was the lack of an established distribution network. In terms of the importance of the movie, related data and the significance of the movie. M-Chart is planning to create a new distribution network and distribution model for the future.

Even some movies with strong indie Arts and artistic temperaments are also performing well in the recovering cinema environment. With more movie events being held this year, it’s encouraging to see signs of growth in the industry, says Huang.

“Technology always drives us forward, and we must use imagination and technology to create new experiences. We must also consider the challenges and opportunities that come with new technologies,” says Huang.

Despite facing the challenges, Chinese filmmakers are finding new ways to appeal to audiences and bring their passion and love for cinema.

“Shooting and producing movies have been a part of my life. I believe in the power of your cinema. However, making movies means to engage you. You need someone to invest a large amount of money to bring your visions to life. I am always grateful for the opportunity to make films,” says Huang.

Peng Xiaofang, one of the most influential directors in China, said that after the film industry recovered and a number of the previous two movies, and maintains its tradition consistent.

Even a few days ago, he tweeted: "Quietly, I am a big fan of your cinema. I believe in the power of your cinema. However, making movies means to engage you. You need someone to invest a large amount of money to bring your visions to life. I am always grateful for the opportunity to make films."

Looking back on those days, Peng Xiaofang told us: “We had a very good year.”

As the coronavirus pandemic begins to wane, the film industry is poised to return to its pre-pandemic levels, with the sector showing signs of recovery and growth. The industry is also capitalizing on the renewed interest in the artform and the new technologies that have emerged in recent years.

Looking to the future, Peng Xiaofang expressed optimism about the industry's prospects. He believes that the film industry will continue to thrive and that it will remain a vital part of Chinese culture.

As the film industry continues to evolve, filmmakers are experimenting with new technologies and techniques to attract audiences and keep the artform relevant in a fast-paced world.
Haaland homes in on history

Norwegian ties Salah's record

timeless mark now in his sights

Erling Haaland scored the Premier League’s longest goal on Saturday to raise doubts about the future of goalkeepers around the world.

Erling Haaland extended the Premier League’s longest goal with a 32.6-second strike for Manchester City against Everton on Saturday, shattering the previous mark of 31.7 seconds set by Mohamed Salah for Liverpool at Anfield in 2018.

Haaland, who has now scored 23 goals in 22 Premier League appearances, produced the jaw-dropping effort as the champions took a 2-0 lead over Everton in the 10th minute of the game.

The Norwegian international’s goal was the result of a miscalculation by Everton goalkeeper Jordan Pickford, who failed to read Haaland’s movement and allowed the ball to go in without a touch.

The strike was the latest goal scored in a Premier League match since Salah’s effort, which was confirmed by慢 motion analysis by the Premier League.

Haaland’s goal is expected to add to the debate about the role of goalkeepers in modern football, with many experts questioning their importance in the game.

In an interview with Sky Sports, former goalkeeper David Seaman said: “It’s a question of whether goalkeepers should be playing their game or whether they should be thinking: ‘How can I help the team move forward?’”

Seaman, who played for Arsenal, Tottenham and Manchester United, said goalkeepers need to be more proactive in the build-up phase of play.

He added: “Goalkeepers have to be more like centre-backs, not just a postman waiting for the ball to come to them. They have to be looking for the chances to play the ball forward.”

The Premier League has previously sought to address concerns about goalkeepers by implementing a new rule that allows them to pass the ball to an attacking teammate in the final third of the field.

However, with Haaland’s goal setting a new benchmark, it remains to be seen whether this rule will be enough to stem the tide of long-range strikes.

For now, Haaland’s record-breaking effort will be the talk of the town, with fans and analysts alike marveling at the Norwegian’s scoring prowess.

Erling Haaland celebrates scoring Manchester City’s third goal in Saturday’s 3-1 home victory over Everton.

The Norwegian international has now scored 23 goals in 22 Premier League appearances, leaving goalkeepers around the world wondering what lies ahead.

On the eve of the new season, Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola lauded Haaland’s ability to “break records” and “be a goal-scoring machine.”

“I think it’s incredible,” Guardiola said. “He has the ability to score goals. He is a goal machine.”

Haaland’s ability to score goals not only sets him apart from other players in the Premier League but also makes him a genuine threat to break the record set by Salah.

Guardiola added: “I think he can break the record. He is a great player and he has the ability to score goals.”

With the Premier League set to kick off on Friday, fans across the country will be eagerly awaiting the return of their favorite teams.

As the new season begins, it remains to be seen whether goalkeepers will be able to stop Haaland’s scoring streak.

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