Life after cease-fire

US should rebuild mutual trust with China

According to the latest findings of the New Research Center, 93 percent of adults in the United States have negative views of China, with four in ten US residents surveyed describing China as an enemy—up 12 percentage points from last year.

US survey respondents also were critical of China’s global role and its relationship with Russia. Among those surveyed, 5 percent of Republicans and 60 percent of Democrats said that China doesn’t contribute much, if at all, to global peace and stability. More said they saw China as a lesser threat for cooperation.

Tensions are expanding with the eruption that last decade, the US undersecretary of state, China, with the future shape of the world, US Secretary of State, Taiwan. There is a continued push for US bilateral and economic relations. US President Joe Biden is reportedly to bar US foreign direct investment in China’s “sensitive technologies.” Even China’s globally popular short-video app TikTok is in talks of being banned in the US on grounds of “national security.”

The US-US political and public persona continues to expand the trade-based relationship with China to the breaking point, regardless of Biden’s win, including from the Taiwan question.

Apart from the Tharsis Treaty (Bucharest)—a declaration in which a strong power game faces an already established power, which can turn toward us—much of the current political relationship stems from deep-seated misconceptions or misunderstandings about China.

While the Cold War China, democracy, civil liberties and modern socialist country” by the force of the People’s Republic of China continues to be a “secret strategy to replace their real competitors,” as portrayed by the Chinese Foreign Ministry in the United States.

China’s main product is the base of the US–China relationship, which is based in the city of Hefei. The past year, the company has received a growing number of orders. Its sales revenue reached 4.5 million yuan ($630,000) in January at an annualized rate of 8 million yuan in March.

Most of the company’s products exported to South Asia, the United Arab Emirates, Korea, Germany, and the United States. Recently, the company exported more orders from emerging markets such as northern Europe.

Summit set to boost ties with Central Asia

Event expected to enhance cooperation, promote solidarity among the six nations

By CAO HUANGDI

President Xi Jinping will host leaders of state from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan on Thursday and Friday in Xian, Shaanxi province, for the China-Central Asia summit, a milestone event expected to boost the economic and political cooperation and jointly handle the region’s security challenge at a higher level.

The summit takes place against the backdrop of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on global prosperity, cooperation and the changing Ukrainian crisis. It is also taking place as the G7 Summit is due to be held from Friday to Sunday in Hiroshima, Japan. The G7 members are expected to issue a statement on “economic security” that is likely to highlight issues such as countering China’s so-called “economic coercion” and ending “dependence” on China in fields such as securities, batteries, key minerals and more.

Analysts said that the two summits would differ greatly in their outlook and approach.

They said that the G7 summit would see Western nations, led by the United States, strive to build small circles that would further divide the international community and create confrontation. In contrast, the China-Central Asia Summit would aim to strengthen solidarity and cooperation among countries in promoting collective security (CSSC), regional peace and stability.

Many analysts said that the China-Central Asia Summit shows China’s successful diplomatic efforts and growing regional influence, by establishing comprehensive strategic partnerships with all the Central Asian countries, demonstrating high-level economic cooperation and international relations.

Head of a diplomatic strategy team, China’s most important highlight is President Xi Jinping’s active proposals, ideas and personal engagement in the summit, highlighting China’s favor among the Central Asian countries.

China has invested more than $60 billion in Central Asia, especially in the silk road regions, and has made significant progress in infrastructure, trade, and economic and cultural exchanges.

The summit is aimed at a comprehensive and wide-ranging agreement among the six nations, which includes political, economic, cultural and security cooperation. The six nations are expected to issue a joint statement that aims to promote peace, stability and development.

“Central Asia is a key area for China’s Belt and Road Initiative, and we should continue to strengthen cooperation with Central Asian countries,” said Xi Jinping.

A provencial government program auburn school during a fruit festival in Xian, Shaanxi province, on Thursday, received more than 3,000 visitors. The school has around 1,000 students from Thailand.

The company, which operates more than 30,000 processing and selling over 30 fruit varieties, has place to acquire $60,000 million in fruits from Thailand.

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Food: Domestic market seizes new opportunities

Alessandra Vassatali, the company’s general manager who is Greek, said: “In the past few years, COVID-19 has had a significant impact on demand for dates internationally, and our orders have diminished. Europe has become a new market, which has grown substantially in business opportunities.”

“Many Chinese consumers are not used to the taste of grape leaves, but Greeks have been enjoying them for hundreds of years. They are a typical pre-dinner snack for residents in the Middle East, where they are regarded as a staple food in some countries. The vice-master ship in nostro-chemically modified, and we have our own professional, respectful and planting spirits.”

This year, China’s exports dropped 3.1 per cent in the first five months of the year, to 122.6 per cent on the same period a year ago. The value of exports to the market in the first five months of the year was up 2.1 per cent on the figures for 2015, with both the export volume and value having set records highs in recent years. The Chinese Canned Food Industry Association said:

The association added that last year’s canned food exports to the United States of America increased by 20 per cent to 32.5 billion yuan, and Hong Kong by 11 per cent. Vassatali said that to better satisfy preferences in different countries and regions, the company has broadened the range of flavors it offers. In addition to Dolmas, which tastes of tomatoes, lemon and pimientos, it introduced flavors such as pegor and parsley.

The company also improved the design of its packaging—introducing a new wrapper that makes it easier to recognize the brand, and which has helped the company boost its reputation abroad and increase in market share.

In 2015, the head of Heze Pekope found out there were abundant grape leaves in the eastern part of China, and he had the idea of building a factory to manufacture Dolmas. Vassatali then traveled to the country to choose a site and set up new businesses. Dolmas can be ordered from the United Kingdom, Sweden, Canada, and other major overseas countries, its annual export value exceeds 6 billion yuan, while the number of its employees has grown to more than 1,000.

Heze Pekope has also obtained relevant certificates for the production of olives, and meat food. A comprehensive quality system has enabled the company to gain strong market competitiveness in the global market.

With growing demand for canned food overseas, enterprises in China have expanded their production capacity, and the export categories and total export volumes for such food are expected to continue rising.

Early last month, in its most recent shipment, it shipped to Japan from Yantai, Shandong. The canned beets were produced by Jiamian Shenxiong Food Co., in the first quarter, the company exported 1,000 tons of canned fruit, more than double the volume compared with the same period last year.

Gao Yifei, the compa’s trade manager, said: “This year, we have seen an booming, sales and growing overseas orders for our canned apples and peaches in Europe. Canned food is convenient to eat, has a long shelf life, and can be preserved efficiently. We are continuing to develop new products, market and customers, and have expanded our overseas market share.”

Most Chinese consumers consider the shelf life of canned food to be relatively long, but that such food contains a large amount of preservatives, which could be harmful to health. As a result, they find that eating fresh food is a healthier option.

Drillie the Chinese market, canned food industry has a tipical for many consumers in China and the US.

Although there is keen enthusiasm for such food among consumers in China, the domestic canned food industry has established a solid foundation and has developed rapidly.

In recent years, more than half the top 10 countries with the highest consumption volumes for canned food globally were in Europe, with Sweden topping the list. The animal per capita consumption volumes for canned food in Sweden exceeds 33 kilograms, about ten times that in China, data from the Chinese Canned Food Industry Association shows.

Asia, Europe, Africa and North America are China’s largest export destinations for canned fruit and vegetables and fruit accounts for the largest share, and exporters of canned fruit and vegetables have seen rise in recent years, the General Administration of Customs said.

Sun Renjie, manager at a food trading company based in Guangdong province, Guangdong province, said inquiries about shipping canned food overseas are placed on social media platforms every day. He visits local custom officials frequently to complete business procedures for exporting canned corn and bamboo shoots.

With overseas demand mounting for canned food from China, the company exported 600 containers last year, a sharp rise in orders in the first quarter of this year, it expects the export volume for its products to rise by 20 per cent this year compared with 2022.

Other canned food manufactur- ers in Guangdong have also boosted their production capacity since the second half of last year to meet increased overseas demand.

Li Zhonggen, general manager of Jiamian Ranjiang Aquatic Products Co., said the company has expanded its production capacity, as demand for canned vegetables, seafood and mushrooms has risen significantly since July.

Based in Jiamian, Guangdong, the company started producing canned vegetables in 2009. This year, the volume of its monthly orders rose by about 30 per cent over the same period last year.

Canned food is produced by more than 500 enterprises in China, with Guangdong topping the list with over 100 such companies. The company has been dofing business registration, said that last year, 140 companies registered to produce canned food in China.

In the domestic market, working lifestyle and consumption patterns have been changing, and the canned food industry embarking a long-term rise in overseas competitiveness fueled by the popularity of ready-to-cook foods, especially since the pandemic emerged.

A high-quality and complete Chinese canned food only requires simple re-heating, and can be eaten with extended quality guarantee times. Slices of nuts, boiling meat, seafood, vegetables and hot pot have gained a large market.

Producing preserved dishes such as frozen-style chicken and ingredients like abalone requires high standards and complex processing, and related technologies in the canned processing industry.

Industry experts forecast that the canned food industry’s new concepts, formats and models in food production and packaging are expected to grow in future.

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Uzbekistan set to deepen trade, cooperation

Transportation, communication projects given priority under framework of Belt and Road

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Defense minister's line helps manage China-Japan ties

By WANG XU xuwang@chinadaily.com.cn

Defense ministers of China and Japan held a warm conversation through a direct telephone line for the first time, in a sign of closer diplomatic and military communication on Thursday. China's Defense Ministry confirmed that the two sides exchanged views on a wide range of issues concerning the safety of the East China Sea, peace and stability in the region.

"The Chinese side value the pragmatic cooperation between the two sides," said Li Bingjun, a senior cooperation analyst at the China Institute of Contemporary International Relations. "It is a good start for China-Japan cooperation in the East China Sea.

China firmly opposes any attempts by the United States to meddle in the China-Japan talks. In addition, it has made solemn statements regarding the situation.

Some media reported that the United States wants to send a Nimitz-class nuclear-powered aircraft carrier to the East China Sea with 6000 military personnel on board. This is because the two sides have been engaged in discussions about joint exercises and the establishment of hotlines, just as the US has made similar moves in the past.

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**Ministry aims to improve tourism**

Government outline plans to boost regular domestic travel

By LI YINGXUN

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**Despite the growing trend of independent travel, most travel agencies must now face an unstable risk, particularly in long-distance travel and catering to the needs of senior travelers,** said an official of the China Tourism Administration.

As tourism continues to recover, a number of agencies are keen to offer more services and address the needs of senior travelers.

**Guide for guides**

In April, the top mediating body at the West Lake in Hangzhou founded its Weibo hot success, attracting widespread attention.

Tour operators were accused of exploiting consumers as the famous lake in the Hangzhou district, charging them the standard fee of 120 yuan for a one-hour boat ride, for not only taking them for a leisurely tour but also for “letting them have a better understanding of the area.”

In response, the West Lake Water Area Management Office released the license of three of the operators involved. The office emphasized the need to regulate tourism-related services and ensure that the services are conducted in a legal manner.

Huang Xuesong, vice-president of the Hangzhou Tourism Association, said that although the West Lake case was an isolated incident, the impact affects the overall image of the lake and the cultural tourism sector in Hangzhou.

As a gathering place, the West Lake tourist service center, directly influencing the tourism experience and aesthetic qualities of visitors, needs to be taken seriously.

Local tourism associations are encouraged to provide information for their offerings and to take measures to enhance their services. They should also alert tourists to be cautious of offerings that are significantly lower priced than normal, in order to guarantee safe, civilized, and national tourism.

Since the beginning of the year, many social media and tourism departments have introduced new rules of conduct for tourism-related services and regulation of market transactions.

The China Tourism Administration is expected to publish the ‘China Tourism Law’ before the end of the year, with a focus on improving the rights and interests of tourists, and the overall tourism market environment.

The official told the local media that the ministry will further regulate the tourism market, cracking down on illegal behavior. During the first half of this year, 433 complaints were recorded, showing a 9 percent decrease in the number of consumer complaints, indicating stable market conditions.

The official highlighted the importance of medical and health tourism agencies, emphasizing the need to ensure the health and safety of travelers.

The tourism administration will increase partnerships with medical and health agencies that provide high-quality services, ensuring the health and safety of travelers.

**Policy Digest**

Program to overhaul infrastructure in cities

The Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development will launch a national program to improve the city infrastructure like bridges, gas pipelines, and water supply lines.

The announcement was made by the ministry authorities at a meeting in Beijing in January. The program includes improving the safety and efficiency of infrastructure, reducing the number of black spots, and increasing the capacity of the infrastructure to handle extreme weather conditions.

According to the ministry, the program aims to improve the infrastructure for building safety, health, and efficiency, ensuring the city’s resilience in the face of extreme weather conditions.

The program is expected to be implemented over the next few years, with a focus on improving the infrastructure in major cities and provinces.

**Number of registered museums doubled**

The total number of registered museums in China has doubled to nearly 40,000 from less than 20,000 in 2010.

According to the National Cultural Heritage Administration, the number of museums in China has increased significantly in recent years.

The ministry announced that the number of museums has reached nearly 40,000, doubling the number from less than 20,000 in 2010.

The increase is attributed to the efforts of the government to promote cultural heritage protection and museum development, as well as the increase in public awareness and interest in cultural heritage.

The ministry said that it will continue to promote the development of museums, aiming to achieve the goal of having one museum for every 10,000 people by 2025.

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US sees sharp rise in child labor violations

Media reports show underage migrants, mostly from Central America, doing dangerous jobs, while some states pass legislation allowing minors to work to ease staff crunch.

A migrant boy traveling with his family to reach the United States seeks asylum by trying to cross the border in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, on Saturday. (Jorge Delgadillo / Reuters)

Editor's note: Despite a violation of child labor laws, businesses in some US states are attempting to hire young workers with minors because of a national labor shortage. This page takes a closer look at how children have been able to secure jobs that are permitted only for adults.

By AL JORDAN III In New York

They work shifts at 13 meat-packing companies in eight US states. The unhygienic conditions they endure are among the worst in the meatpacking industry, according to a report released Wednesday by Human Rights Watch. The report, entitled “Steaks and Bones,” says the workers, who are largely children, are employed at meatpacking plants in the United States, and that their working conditions are so dangerous that they can lead to death or injury.

The report, which is based on interviews with workers conducted over the past year by Human Rights Watch investigators, says that the workers are paid less than the minimum wage and that they often work more than 80 hours per week, with little or no rest. They also work in conditions that can lead to serious injury or death, including exposure to high temperatures, chemicals, and knives.

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Kazakhstan vows to tap into potential in C. Asia

By BEN G in Almaty, Kazakhstan

Kazakhstan is undergoing a systemic transformation for a stronger, more diversified, economy and is looking for financial and economic cooperation with other countries, Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev said on Thursday.

Making the remarks at the168th meeting of the Association of Development Financing Institutions in Asia and the Pacific (ADFIAP) in Almaty, Tokayev said that the country’s vast potential in sectors such as agriculture, petrochemicals, manufacturing, logistics, transportation, tourism, finance and underwater activities is continuously evolving to attract more international partners.

"The ADFIAP has two key priorities in Kazakhstan," Tokayev said. "The first is to develop the non-oil and gas sector and the second is to attract investment in oil and gas activities in Kazakhstan."

Last year, Kazakhstan attracted $4.3 billion in new investment, a record high over a decade. This year, the ADFIAP will prompt investment cooperation across Asia-Pacific and promote investment cooperation among ADFIAP member states from the region.

The Forum of investors from 40 countries lasted two days. Besides the European Development Bank, the ADFIAP attracted over 260 delegates from major development banks and development funds from Asian, European, Japan, India, the European Union, the United States and other countries.

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, president of Kazakhstan, said that the organization together with its annual meetings serve as a platform for discussion on how to promote foreign investment and to achieve the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals outlined in the Paris Climate Agreement.

Kazakhstan is one of the founding members of the Eurasian Development Bank (EVD) represented in India, Bangladesh, and several Asian countries, which together with India and Bangladesh, cooperate with the Forum in the capacity of the EVD. The parties agreed to support the Forum of investors in broadening its network and organization of business.

In his speech, the president said that Kazakhstan-Arab Cooperation Forum will make a valuable contribution to the region. "This cooperation will make a valuable contribution to the regional stability and prosperity."

"The Forum is based on the spirit of the Forum ontract and the spirit of the cooperation between the Forum and the Special Arab Kumisia, which are the two main ingredients of the Forum on Contract," Tokayev said. "The Forum on Contract is based on the principles of the spirit of the Forum on Contract and the spirit of the cooperation between the Forum and the Special Arab Kumisia, which are the two main ingredients of the Forum on Contract, and the spirit of the cooperation between the Forum and the Special Arab Kumisia, which are the two main ingredients of the Forum on Contract."
Danfoss to further tap green biz opportunities in China

Naning factory to sharpen Danish tech firm’s edge in e-mobility and energy

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Danish industrial group and engineering conglomerate Danfoss is planning to build a new green electronic compressor plant in Nanning, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, to better strengthen its green development momentum in China, the group’s top executive said.

With its total investments of 500 million euros ($615.1 million), the No. 1 Danish-headquartered group’s new Nanning facility will manufacture SVG (synchronous reluctance magnetic) compressor units, which provide power to electric vehicles. Danfoss said the move would strengthen its support in boosting the country’s e-vehicle, energy and industrial applications in China.

The growth opportunities come from many Chinese companies’ moves to pursue sustainable growth, in the ever-growing foreign trade and consumption stimulus packages, along with a sharp focus of industrial upgrading, and Kim Rustrup, president and CEO of Danfoss Group.

“All lower module functions as a switch and can be used to turn electronic power on and off extremely fast and with high energy conversion, known as inverter,” he said.

Covering an area of 2,000 square meters with a total investment of 190 million yuan ($24.6 million), the newDanfoss green electronic compressor plant in Nanning is designed to focus on the research and testing of commercial compressor, especially variable frequency technology and the company’s relevant application in heat pumps, as well as alternative green refrigeration solutions.

The technologies and solutions produced here will be widely used in air conditioning, heat pumps, data centers, cold chains and storage solutions.

“This is a significant role in the global green transition, especially in reducing carbon dioxide emissions and mitigating the effects of climate change,” he said.

"We maintain a positive outlook for China’s economy as well as our businesses in the country this year,” said Rustrup, adding that the country is important to the group, as its strategic alignment with China’s green reputation, which is driven by a mounting morale of its performance in the region.

Perhaps, China’s State-owned enterprises are re-engineering the construction of new energy projects since the start of the year, from photovoltaic power stations to wind farms. Many of them have been forming partnerships with global companies in these fields to enter their business streams, according to information released by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council.

Rustrup said Danfoss’ business in China has experienced rapid growth since the start of the year. In sales in China, market around 30 billion yuan in 2021, while in 2022, the number has already increased to around 30 billion yuan. One of the main drivers of its continued robust growth is the strong momentum in green transitions unleashed by China’s pledge to reach its net zero goal.

Back then, Dhag Billa, a professor specializing in China, University of Mining and Technology to Beijing, said that China’s plan to peak carbon dioxide emissions by 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2060 would encourage multinational corporations to deploy their latest products and solutions to the country, especially in the fields of manufacturing, transportation and power generation.

"Because of this aspect, as an emerging industrial development powerhouse, China is an important market for Danfoss green technology, as well as an important regional hub for Danfoss’ growth in terms of environmental investment," Billa said.

"We see a lot of trends that we can experience in China first, sometimes even before they spread in Europe," said Grieder.

"We already have more than 300 points of sale in China, and in Europe, we have more than 1,200 sales points. We see this organization to open more stores before they appear in Europe," Grieder said.

"The Chinese people will have experience in the future of the world, and of course, on it," he added.

Grieder also expressed satisfaction with the brand’s performance in China.

Driven by China’s growing consumption power, the company has made ambitious plans to launch new products and sub-brands.

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"We are on a good path in China," he said.

By ZHENG YIRAN
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Summer is here, and people are meeting up to drink ice tea—served with ice and dry— in the afternoon, setting off a consump- tion trend that has gone viral on social media platforms.

Chinese tea—different from the more broad-based market—is a single type of tea in a cold season whose fresh leaves shine out with vibrant flavor. The tea is made beforehand, put into glass boxes, and served with fresh fruit, ice jelly and ice cream.

When water is poured onto the dry tea, a safety atmosphere pervades instantly, making it just the perfect offering for consumers in comfort.

By May 3, there were more than 36,000 Chinese ice tea spot on short video platform Douyin, an Ice tea turning into hot niche as thirst season arrives

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Cao Yangtao, director of market of Papa’s TeaShops

While it was steered 165.6 million times on lifestyle sharing platform Xiaohongshu.

"Chinese ice tea requires a huge amount of tea. Enterprises need to purchase ice machines. In addition, as the main atmosphere created by ice tea doesn’t last long, merchants should consider how to make up for user experience," said Xu Bo, an analyst with market information provider Euromonitor. He said the tea providers should consider increasing the use of electric fridges so that consumers can book tea at the most minute. They could also offer extra services to build on and satisfy consumers, he said.

For entrepreneurs, the threshold of Chinese ice tea is set a thousand times higher than that of aero-box tea, as cold boxed tea needs a lot more time before serving, and need to be refrigerated,” Xu said.

Papa Tea Space launched Chinese ice tea in mid-2021. Dong Jianqiang, the director of the Beijing-based tea chain, said.

At a price of 39 yuan for about 24 people, Chinese ice tea has become popular among consumers, he said. The per capita consumption of Chinese ice tea varies between 60 times (2021) and 80 times currently, depending on the ambassador of the ice tea which it is served.

"Chinese ice tea creates a fancy atmosphere that consumers are happy to share on their social media platforms. It has become an ice tea," Dong said.

He said current homogenization exists among stores, and that merchants, in addition to offering Chinese ice tea, should provide products with their own unique characteristics to result in consumer demand.

"The popularity of Chinese ice tea reflects consumer demand for emotional value. They need products that can make them feel relaxed. Mecha- nisms should be set up to guide the companies to serve high-quality products and sustainable development," he said.

Local unions and associations are doing their part to promote the growth of the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region.
LABUAN, Indonesia — Wuling, one of Asia’s leading passenger vehicle manufacturers, has launched its EVs in Indonesia with the aim of transforming Indonesia’s transport sector. The move is a significant milestone for Indonesia’s automotive industry, which is looking to reduce its dependency on imported fossil fuels and reduce its greenhouse gas emissions. Indonesia has set a target of having 40% of new vehicle sales come from electric vehicles by 2030.

Wuling’s launch of its EVs is part of its strategic plan to support Indonesia’s government’s vision of becoming an EV powerhouse. The government has set a target of having 1 million EVs on the road by 2025, with the majority of new vehicles sold being electric.

The launch event was attended by government officials, including the Indonesian Minister of Trade, who highlighted the importance of EV technology in reducing carbon emissions. The minister also underscored the need for collaboration between the government and the private sector to achieve the EV transition.

Wuling’s EVs are equipped with advanced features and technology, including long-range batteries, fast charging, and improved energy efficiency. The company is also committed to providing customer support and after-sales services to ensure a seamless ownership experience.

This move by Wuling is expected to spur other automakers to follow suit, further accelerating the EV market in Indonesia. The government’s incentive programs, such as tax exemptions for EVs and subsidies for EV buyers, are also expected to contribute to the growth of the EV sector.

Overall, the launch of Wuling’s EVs in Indonesia is a significant step towards the country’s goal of becoming a leader in the EV market. It showcases Indonesia’s commitment to sustainability and its potential to become a key player in the global EV industry.

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LABUAN, Indonesia — The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is exploring new avenues to strengthen its economic integration and address regional challenges. The organization, which consists of 10 member countries, is known for its focus on economic development, trade, and regional integration.

In a recent statement, the ASEAN Secretary-General highlighted the importance of a strong and resilient ASEAN in the face of global challenges. The Secretary-General noted that ASEAN has made significant progress in recent years, with increased trade and investment, enhanced connectivity, and strengthened economic ties.

The Secretary-General also emphasized the need for continued efforts to address regional issues, such as climate change and natural disasters. He noted that ASEAN has made strides in promoting sustainable development and reducing poverty.

Looking ahead, the ASEAN Secretary-General expressed optimism about the potential for further progress in the coming years. He stressed the importance of continued cooperation and collaboration among ASEAN member countries to achieve shared goals.

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SE Asia prepared to be world’s new economic powerhouse

The economies of Southeast Asia are poised for significant growth in the coming years, driven by factors such as a strong infrastructure, skilled workforce, and strategic investment. The region is well-positioned to become a major player in global trade and investment, with the potential to become a global economic powerhouse.

Several Southeast Asian countries, including Vietnam, Thailand, and the Philippines, have made significant strides in improving their business environments and attracting foreign direct investment. These efforts are expected to continue, with a focus on sectors such as technology, manufacturing, and services.

The region’s connectivity is also expected to improve, with the expansion of regional trade agreements and infrastructure projects. This will facilitate greater trade and investment, increasing economic integration within the region.

Overall, the economies of Southeast Asia are preparing for a period of rapid growth and development, with the potential to become a major economic power in the global economy.

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"After China’s reopening of its borders, we are looking to achieve more equitable and more sustainable operations, and with better quality in terms of trade and investment between ASEAN and China," said Sandung Uno, Indonesia's commerce minister of tourism and creative economy.

Uno added that he believed Indonesia and China still had room for improvement, especially in areas such as trade balance. Indonesia has been China’s biggest Southeast Asian trading partner, with two-way trade reaching $21 billion in 2021.

Sandung Uno said the two countries could work on reducing the trade imbalance, perhaps by increasing exports of Indonesian goods. Indonesia has been pushing for more Chinese investments in its infrastructure and tourism sectors.

Uno also noted that Indonesia was working closely with China to promote comprehensive cooperation in various fields, including maritime cooperation, to facilitate trade and investment.

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4.8 percent

The annual growth of Asia-Pacific economies this year and next year, up from 4.2 percent in 2022, said the Asian Development Bank.

The ADB’s annual growth outlook for Asia-Pacific economies for 2023 and 2024 is 4.8 percent, up from 4.2 percent in 2022, the ADB’s latest report showed.

The outlook was based on a range of assumptions, including continued growth in China’s economy and the assumption that the region’s economies will continue to recover from the pandemic.

The report highlighted the importance of continued support for vulnerable communities and businesses, as well as the need for policies that support innovation and the transition to a greener economy.

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Left side: The 42nd ASEAN Summit, held in Labuan, Brunei, from May 19 to 21.

A sign of the 42nd ASEAN Summit is seen in Labuan, Brunei, on May 5.
The World Intelligence Congress is to kick off in Tianjin during the WIC, decided to come only.

The world’s intelligence meeting is to hold a four-day event to play host to experts from across the world.

The World Intelligence Congress set for Tianjin

From left: A kid takes a virtual reality facility at the World Intelligence Congress in Tianjin. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

The artificial intelligence experience center of WIC in Tianjin. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

To book: The Tianjin Higher Education Innovation Park will open on Sunday, April 10. The artificial intelligence experience center of WIC in Tianjin. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

Spurring technological exchanges, innovations

By YUAN SHENGXIAO

The World Intelligence Congress kicks off on Sunday in Tianjin, which aims to promote the development of the artificial intelligence industry and accelerate the construction of a high-quality development of the city’s economy.

A large number of leading enterprises specializing in the commercial applications of generative AI will gather in Tianjin to show views on the country’s generative AI achievements and host groundbreaking events. The conference will integrate the digital economy, digital information, digital manufacturing and digital infrastructure, digital manufacturing and digital processing.

The conference will be held from April 10 to April 13.

The conference’s total attendance is expected to reach 250,000 yuan, half the size of the WIC last year.

A number of intelligence application scenarios, including the construction of a new generation of AI technology, will be showcased at the conference.

The 20-kilometer Smart Network, which was built by State Grid Tianjin and independently developed with Chinese intellectual property rights, has completed the construction in a high-tech area of Tianjin.

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Club of rich nations should try to cultivate stability, rather than sowing seeds of division

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The US, which has been a leader in the global economy, has seen its GDP growth slow and inflation rise. The US dollar has weakened against major currencies, leading to concerns about the country’s economic stability.

Biden’s foreign policy has also been criticized. His handling of the withdrawal from Afghanistan and the subsequent rise of the Taliban has been widely condemned.

Biden has been under pressure from both left and right in the US to make decisions on issues such as healthcare, climate change, and immigration.

The US is also facing challenges abroad, including with China, Russia, and Iran. China has been building up its military capabilities, while Russia and Iran have been expanding their influence in the Middle East.

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**COMMENT**

Tajik-Sino ties set to get a boost

The year marks the 1st anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Tajikistan, signifying the beginning of the new stage of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) in the region which forms the foundation of bilateral relations. The year also marks the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), which also helps build a stable future for the region.

During the last three decades, the Tajik-Chinese relationship has made significant advancements in all areas. Tajikistan and China are good neighbors in all respects and continue to support each other in difficult times. Tajikistan attaches great importance to the deepening of its cooperation with China and the increasing cooperation with China. In fact, despite relations between China and Tajikistan being a priority for China’s foreign policy, the cooperative actions have been beneficial for both the countries. The friendly and understanding relationship between the two countries is also evident in the fact that the two countries are standing shoulder to shoulder in the interests of all the world, which not only reflects the constant pursuit of both countries to be the main supporter for the world, but also reserves the stability and security of the region. In addition, it will strengthen bilateral relations in politics, trade, security and other areas of mutual interest.

Besides, with the strengthening of political relations, China has become an increasingly important and indispensable partner in the region. China’s massive bilateral and multilateral relations with Tajikistan will gain even more importance.

And many of these ties are to be discussed in the upcoming trip to China. For example, the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Tajikistan, the 1st anniversary of the Belt and Road Initiative, the “Chinese dream” strategy, the 25th anniversary of China’s accession to the World Trade Organization, the 70th anniversary of the People’s Republic of China, the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Pakistan, the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the SCO, etc.

Japan must use G7 summit to gain own ends

Japan will host the G7 Summit from Friday to Sunday and will include the leaders of the G7 countries as well as the heads of state of the governments of the Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, Australia, the Cook Islands and New Zealand. It is expected that the leaders will come to Japan to attend the summit and discuss regional issues of interest.

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Besides, leaders of the US and Japan and will also attend the upcoming summit meeting on the sidelines of the G7 summit. This meeting is held to discuss diplomatic and security issues including how to address the ongoing trade dispute between the two countries.

It must be noted that Japan is eager to take advantage of its G7 presidency to strengthen economic relations with the US, China and other major economies. In this regard, Japan also hopes to use its G7 presidency to encourage developing counties to participate in the global economy and to support China.

In the case of China, Japan plans to adopt a more aggressive security strategy by taking the form of the “Kakusei Asian Order” and encouraging neighboring countries to join them in the form of regional security partnerships.

Japan and China are expected to discuss the bilateral trade relationship during the upcoming summit meeting. The Summit is expected to be held from Friday to Sunday.

Yuan meets all criteria to be a cross-border trade currency

It has been reported that the CFR (Cross-Border Renminbi) has been rising over the past year, with China and other countries issuing Yuan-denominated bonds. This trend has been followed by the US, which has been issuing Yuan-denominated bonds as well. The rise in the Yuan’s status as a global currency has also been reflected in the increase of the value of the Yuan-denominated bonds issues.

This trend is expected to continue in the future, with the Yuan likely to become a more popular currency among the world’s central banks. The Yuan is expected to become a more popular currency among the world’s central banks, which will lead to an increase in the popularity of the Yuan as a global currency.

The yuan’s status as a global currency has also been rising, with the countries that have issued Yuan-denominated bonds increasing in number. The yuan is expected to become a more popular currency among the world’s central banks, which will lead to an increase in the popularity of the Yuan as a global currency.

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Win-win opportunity

Overcoming problems, China and the Caribbean countries can grasp the historic opportunities so the Belt and Road Initiative can yield more fruits

International development cooperation has always been very close to China’s development strategies. In the context of deepening the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), China has actively advanced cooperation with the Caribbean countries in the past five years. In early 2021, China and the Caribbean countries started participating in the BRI and developed the document in 2021. The China-Caribbean Development Center, which coordinates personnel exchanges and projects of development cooperation, was established. So far, the center has offered guidance and material assistance, training programs on information technology, used to grow edible and medicinal mushrooms among other things, and offered fish farming to the Caribbean. In addition, equipment has been donated for better road and road networks capability have been enhanced. China has taken part in renovating roads in the East Coast of Cayman Islands and an airport upgrading project in Jamaica. Besides, the Belt and Road Initiative is sensitive to the Caribbean’s development and cooperation. The belt and the road have maintained extensive, and better relations are established. In the future, the Belt and Road Initiative will continue to deepen, and the development cooperation has gradually expanded the deep water area, and a series of internal and external conditions have been changed in line with their characteristics and requirements. On the one hand, China should adjust the strategic development directions, increase the proportion of development-oriented financing, and prioritize “small but beautiful” projects that better local people, further fostering economic, social, cultural, environmental, and other livelihood issues, ensuring more conducive to the development of the Belt and Road Initiative. On the other hand, the Caribbean should pay attention to the Belt and Road Initiative’s development cooperation with the Caribbean countries, including its strategy and the Caribbean countries need to make better decision-making and strategic cooperation in the future.

The Chinese president, Xi Jinping, has high hopes. In the next few years, China and the Caribbean countries have achieved remarkable results in the Belt and Road Initiative. Meanwhile, the initiative is implemented, and the Belt and Road Initiative is still facing new challenges. As the initiative continues, the Chinese government and the Caribbean countries should step up to the plate and establish a win-win cooperation model, using the development cooperation opportunities and actual benefits. To achieve this, the Belt and Road Initiative needs to focus on local interests, achieve sustainable development, and establish a new cooperation framework. This will not only benefit the Belt and Road Initiative but also benefit the economic development of the Caribbean countries. China and the Caribbean countries should work together, and the Belt and Road Initiative can become a new cooperation model for the Caribbean countries.

The Belt and Road Initiative should be strengthened, the Caribbean countries should use the Belt and Road Initiative to cooperate and cooperate, and the Caribbean countries should seize the Belt and Road Initiative’s development opportunities.

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Journey into culture

International students from Chinese universities get to see the splendor of the Mogao Caves and murals in Gansu province. Deng Zhangyu reports.

When Jesi Sefkoe Sarimo from Indonesia rode a camel in a desert in Dunhuang, Gansu province—an important cultural hub on the Silk Road where cultures from the East and the West met and mixed hundreds of years ago—he felt like he was “stepping into another world” that was exot-ic, and very different from his previous impressions of China.

On a four-day trip to Dunhuang in late April, students, together with other foreign students, mostly from nations along the Silk Road, embarked on a cultural journey to explore the desert landscape, visit the local monasteries, and see the Mogao Caves and murals where thousands of Buddhist statues and Buddhist murals were inscribed and left for study. The students come from the Dunhuang College of Northwest Normal University. All of these activities afforded them a view of the local landscape and a unique experience, through which they could seek the culture of Dunhuang and the Dunhuang spirit.

“I was so amazed. I never thought that this could be China. I think it’s like another side of our country,” says Sarmo, who began to study for his master’s degree in computer science in Tsinghua University earlier this year. Better to come to China, he thought it was a country full of technology-related companies—an impression that was bolstered by the fast and convenient technology-driven services that came to be part of his daily life when he moved to Tianjin.

It was impressed by China’s science and technologies before coming to China. Here, everything is so convenient and interesting. You can do everything on your smartphone. And services like electronic payments are extremely convenient.

The cultural trip, however, showed him a view of China where art and education were transported along the Silk Road more than a thousand years ago. The young man says he was brought to life by the Silk Road Festival in his high school history class.

Sarmo’s grandmother was a Chinese-Indonesian. He was given a Chinese name, Yan Lianhong, when he was born. Every year, his family cele-brates the Chinese Lunar Year together—and he sends red envelopes filled with money to family members—a Lunar New Year tradition.

Sarmo says he became interested in Chinese culture as a child. He even learned Chinese calligraphy by half a semester, which helped a little when he was needed to know some Chinese words.

Ink painter Zhang Lucheng taught them how to do it and helped improve painting. Zhang asked the students carefully observe the animal when riding it as a camel because camels would be the sub-ject of the painting.

“The camel is the cultural symbol of the Silk Road. It can be also seen as a medium to spread trade and culture along the route. The appearance of the camel, the beauty of the landscape are the same,” explains Zhang on why he chose camels as the subject of the students, most of whom had never experienced this before.

Zhang’s style is a mix of abstract ink painting that some related traditional techniques. In just several strokes, with Zhang’s left hand, the camel takes shape and the desert appears.

“Our style demonstrates a kind of Chinese philosophy. You don’t draw every detail in a detail, but leave space for viewers to imagine,” he says.

“The landscapes along the SR Road are magnificent. Mountains, grass-lands and forests are all at very splendid and varied. Applying our style enables us to express that in the best possible way.”

Zhang drew a camel in the center of the painting, and students added in other elements, such as the sun, the footprints of the camels, mountains, plants and houses. Finally they were encouraged to write their names on it in their own language to jointly com-plete the painting.

The act of creating the process was interesting. It was a mix of people from various cultural backgrounds like just like Dunhuang, where art from the East and the West combines with each other.

He mentions the Mogao Caves, which the students visited. The UNESCO World Heritage Site has hundreds of thousands of grottoes that house thousands of murals and statues and is one of the since Buddhist art collections in China. There have been several key introductions from the West and local by students can be easily found in the murals. “Painting from Europe and Asia blends with Chinese art in Dunhuang,” Zhang Lucheng, artist.

Painting from Europe and Asia blends with Chinese art in Dunhuang. Chinese art started here and was spread to the world, only to return to China after being mixed with the art of other nations,” adds Zhang. Sarmo says he can see the difference between the Buddhist figure painted in the mural and the culture. As a Buddhist himself, he was fascinated by the art in the caves.

Sarmo from Indonesia was also stunned by the murals and their bright colors, as well as their good condition even after more than 1,000 years.

“For me, painting is an activity through which we can express our feel-ings with a pen and colored ink. It’s a convenient way to express a message and create people in other places to understand us,” says the 26-year-old doctoral student from the University of Science and Technology Beijing. The student came to the trip together with Zhang. His first time painting inspired him to learn more about Chines culture and the Dunhuang culture.

Buddh’s most notable experience was meeting with students from the Dunhuang College of Northwest Normal University, where Sarmo and his peers were taught a Dunhuang-style dance, choreographed based on figures depicted in the murals of the Mogao Caves.

The costume that the dancers wore were similar to those worn in one province of Pakistan, says Sarmo, and their move and gesture reminded him of Indian dancing, which is also similar to that of his hometown. “I don’t know what made me dance spontaneously with these men and women. Maybe it’s the environment, the passion of the music. In that moment, I just wanted to dance with them. So amazing and exciting!” he says.

She danced in her own style while surrounded by the students. Performing the Dunhuang dance, she also invited some local dancers to join them, performing to a piece of Indian music. This is a new way of Dunhuang dance, the local dance is performed to a piece of Indian music. This is a new way of Dunhuang dance, which was born in 20th century. It is an excellent piece of Indian dance, which is still in its infancy. She is from Lahore, the second-largest city in Pakistan, which boasts many historical landmarks. She is also interested in Chinese culture. The Dunhuang trip for her is about gaining knowledge.

“I explored so many things about the tradition, the history, the religion and the mural art. I hope to stay in China in the future to learn more about the country,” she says. At the Dunhuang college, Sarmo and other students were granted art students to study Dunhuang murals, which is a “very different artistic experience,” she says.

Ink painter Zhang says that the murals are essential knowledge for Chinese ink painters, who want to enhance their skills.

When Zhang was in his 20s, he stayed in Dunhuang for several years to learn from the murals. At that time, even the infantile exhibition couldn’t fully express Zhang’s passion to learn. “The art in Dunhuang is like a mirror of the world’s art. For Chinese artists, it influences our skills and it opens a way for us to imagine for our production,” says Zhang.

The cultural trip is part of a program, which is called the Dunhuang Culture Inheritance Project of the Silk Road, to invite students from various cultural backgrounds to come and learn from the Dunhuang culture. It has also organized another two trips, including one for music and one for food. Which took place last month.

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Songwriter pursues her dream with debut album release

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In 2012, when composer Li Fuwen encountered stories about singing for Chinese TV show produced and aired by China Central Television, she was inspired to collect local musical elements. The TV show introduced the history and culture of different Chinese cities, a fact that prompted her. As each episode aired, Li’s songs were enjoyed by the viewers. On Saturday, Li released her debut album, Pursuing the Common Dream, in Beijing, which features over 30 original songs.

The songs that Li wrote for the TV show are filled with the history and culture of different Chinese cities, a fact that inspired her. As each episode aired, Li’s songs were enjoyed by the viewers. On this album, she has written songs about the history of China’s different cities, focusing on the unique cultural elements that define each city.

For example, the song “Jinan” is about the history of Jinan, a city that has a long and rich history. The song features traditional Chinese musical instruments, such as the erhu and the guzheng, and highlights the city’s historical and cultural heritage. Another song, “Shanghai,” is about the vibrant and cosmopolitan city of Shanghai. The song features modern and Western musical elements, such as jazz and blues, and highlights the city’s dynamic and multicultural nature.

In addition to these songs, the album also features songs about other cities, such as “Beijing,” “Hangzhou,” and “Xian.” Each song is about a different aspect of Chinese culture and history, and highlights the unique and diverse nature of Chinese cities.

Overall, this album is a celebration of Chinese culture and a tribute to the many different cities that make up this diverse and fascinating country. It is a testament to the power of music to connect people across generations and cultures, and to bring together the rich and diverse traditions of Chinese history and art.
SPORTS

China’s Dou stands tall after near-miss

Top-five finish at prestigious PGA Tour tourney a major boost to confidence

By CHINA DAILY

Chen’s Marty Dou Zecheng took plenty of positives from his performance along with a third-place finish in the 169th US Open, the first Chinese online golfer to complete in the PGA Tour. Due to the 25-year-old’s excellent post-season form, his world ranking has climbed to 91st, the second-highest among the Top-five Chinese golfers, behind Zecheng Dou. The 91st rank means he can compete at the US Open, one of the four major competitions in the golfing world. “I had a solid finish and didn’t have too many thoughts, I could feel it was in good form. A third-fifth finish will give me great confidence for the rest of the season,” said Dou. He has Impressions on my ball-striking — my driving and putting helped to give me good scores. I hope to keep playing like this,” said Dou, who holds three wins on the developmental Korn Ferry Tour.

Above: Dou Zecheng took a shot out of the rough on the 12th hole during the final round of the US Open. (Photo courtesy of the tournament)

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UnionPay accelerates Asia-Pacific mobile payment business layout

By YUAN SHENGQIAO

Consumer cross-border payment habits are changing. UnionPay International said recently that more than 30 million UnionPay cards have been issued outside the Chinese mainland, covering 70 countries and regions around the world, and more than 70 million merchants accept UnionPay mobile payment. According to a report by Jupiter Research, a British consulting firm, UnionPay International has been the forefront of global digital payment companies, and its UnionPay mobile payment platform, UnionPay Mobile QuickPass, is currently the largest mobile payment platform in the global payment industry with experience in developing mobile payments on the Chinese mainland.

In 2004, the first overseas UnionPay card was issued in Hong Kong. Since then, UnionPay has expanded its customer service in the Chinese mainland.

Over the past two decades, the group has become UnionPay card-holders have been expanding, and UnionPay payment services have been continuously upgraded. In response to changes in consumer payment habits, UnionPay has joined hands with all parties in the industry to accelerate the implementation of UnionPay mobile-union compatible e-wallet products overseas, to better link UnionPay cards in local e-wallets, through which they can enjoy QI payment at merchants accepting UnionPay QR codes around the world.

More than 150 million wallet products have landed overseas, covering more than 50 countries and regions. More than 50 million merchant providers in Southeast Asia support UnionPay. Marty Dou Zecheng is currently the largest mobile payment product, with 5.0.5.0 (Thailand)’s largest mobile banking platform.

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On the UnionPay platform, international e-wallet users can also use their UnionPay QR codes for on-line purchases, and can enjoy a diversified payment experience of a card. The products’ innovative products include e-wallets, QR code and QP pay payment experience in one mobile phone. This allows users to carry out UnionPay digital payments without any low cost.

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The platform’s latest update includes a mobile card payment platform, UnionPay Mobile QuickPass, which allows overseas residents to conveniently apply to local e-wallet apps and enjoy high-quality UnionPay payment services without the need to collect a physical card.

With a diversified range of products, UnionPay can meet different needs of users. In addition to UnionPay standard-union compatible e-wallet products, UnionPay also offers apps such as UnionPay Mobile QuickPass, more than 150 million wallet products have landed overseas, covering more than 50 countries and regions. More than 50 million merchant providers in Southeast Asia support UnionPay. Marty Dou Zecheng is currently the largest mobile payment product, with 5.0.5.0 (Thailand)’s largest mobile banking platform.

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