Outcomes follow President Xi's call for better understanding of Chinese civilization's origins

By WANG KAIHOU

China's research on ancient civilization has made remarkable progress in the past year, President Xi Jinping said in his speech on the 70th anniversary of the People's Republic of China's establishment. The president stressed the importance of researching the ancient civilization, which has a 5,000-year history, to enhance national confidence and better understand the Chinese civilization.

The president's call for better understanding of Chinese civilization has been widely recognized and supported. Many researchers and scholars have been actively engaged in exploring and interpreting the ancient Chinese civilization, as they believe that this exploration is essential for understanding the true nature of Chinese civilization and building a new national confidence.

The exploration of Chinese civilization includes various aspects, such as its history, culture, philosophy, and society. Researchers have been working on uncovering the secrets of ancient Chinese civilization through various means, including archaeological discoveries, written records, and oral traditions.

The exploration of Chinese civilization is not only a scientific endeavor but also a cultural mission. It aims to enhance the understanding of China's ancient civilization, which has a profound influence on the development of modern China.

Through the exploration of Chinese civilization, China can better understand its past and make more informed decisions for the future. It is hoped that the exploration of Chinese civilization will lead to a better understanding of China's ancient civilization and contribute to the development of modern China.
Tickets: Fans query registration system

On April 20, 2022, Mayday opened its first concert at the National Stadium, which sold out within minutes.

Three days earlier, the band had performed at the Chinese Music Industry Congress, where they announced their return to the stage after a three-year hiatus. The band's upcoming tour was the first major concert in 2019, which attracted more than 30,000 fans. The one-hour long online concert averaged over 30 million views.

After the June 6 concert in Shanghai, the band announced dates for the tour in Beijing, which are set for June 26 and August 12.

The announcement prompted a feverish frenzy among fans, who have been waiting impatiently for the band's return to the stage. The concert is set to be held at the Olympic Green, which is the largest indoor venue in Beijing.

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The US commission also called on Biden last year to sanction six prosecutors, who were arrested against the so-called “Hong Kong Independent Movement (HKIM)”. As a result, the US government has been indictment against the six prosecutors for their alleged involvement in the HKIM’s illegal activities. The US has also imposed economic sanctions on the six prosecutors, including冻结 their assets and imposing travel bans. The US has accused the six prosecutors of being “core members of the Chinese government’s campaign to suppress dissent in Hong Kong.”

The US commission noted that the indictment of the six prosecutors should be considered a qualified precedent (as in the Hong Kong Basic Law), and that the Chinese government should be held responsible for their actions.

The commission added that the six prosecutors have been arrested in collusion with the Hong Kong government, which has been using these charges to intimidate Hong Kong residents.

The commission also noted that the indictment of the six prosecutors should be considered an attempt to intimidate and silence the people of Hong Kong.

The commission further stated that the indictment of the six prosecutors is a clear violation of the principle of “One Country, Two Systems”.

The US commission’s call for the indictment of the six prosecutors is likely to escalate tensions between the US and China, as Beijing has repeatedly rejected such calls and argued that the Chinese government is acting within its sovereignty.

**Circling the record**

China’s “one belt, one road” initiative has been widely praised for its potential to promote global economic cooperation and address infrastructure gaps in both developed and developing countries. The initiative, which includes the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road, has been endorsed by more than 100 countries and international organizations.

The initiative has also faced criticism from some Western countries, who have expressed concerns about China’s motives and the potential long-term impacts on global politics and economics.

Despite these challenges, China has continued to press ahead with the initiative, aiming to promote economic development and strengthen international cooperation.

The initiative has already led to significant progress in various areas, including infrastructure development, trade and investment, and cultural exchange.

China’s leadership has been committed to ensuring the initiative serves the interests of all participating countries and promotes shared prosperity.

China’s commitment to the “one belt, one road” initiative is evident in its ongoing efforts to address global challenges and promote shared prosperity, underscoring the country’s role as a responsible stakeholder in the global community.

**China to boost high-quality growth**

Technological advances are driving deeper cooperation between China and the United States as both countries work to strengthen their economies.

面临着巨大的挑战，例如气候变化、全球变暖、能源安全等，需要全球各国共同努力。中国作为世界上最大的发展中国家，正在积极采取措施来应对这些挑战。中国已经制定了2030年前碳达峰、2060年前碳中和的目标，并在采取各种措施来实现这些目标。

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**Project: Discoveries present ‘rich cultural legacies’**

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The Nanhai No. 1 site is said to be the largest and most well-preserved site of its kind in the world. The site is believed to have been a hub of maritime trade and transportation during the late Neolithic period.

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Smart cities share stories of digital governance

By CHEN MEILING and XUAN XUNJUN's drawing

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Many countries have introduced digital governance and artificial intelligence in the core business of public services, and the achievements have been obvious in terms of reductions in education and industry.

As a representative of North, New Zealand, Al is used to running the government online, which can save money with little human intervention.

"There will also be an area with global digital governance, a couple of countries will become the drivers of technological development. Luga, International relative manager for Belgium North, said China Daily at the Smart City Forum on International Friend- ship Cities in Guiyang, Guizhou province.

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Some 66,560 closed as authorities take strict stance against fake professionals

By CUI JIA

China has permanently closed 66,560 accounts that were involved in online sales of goods on social media and online in the past 12 months, according to a campaign to crack down on resource monopolization, illegal profit, and properties, as well as resources used by fake professionals.

"We will continue to work with China and local government to ensure that any online account used for this purpose is closed."

"We have more than 2,000 accounts that have been suspended, which is a significant step forward in the fight against fake professionals," she said.

ABINO PANDA caught on camera in Sichuan reserve

"This panda was extremely calm and did not behave as expected. One of the reasons is that she is the mother of the all-white panda," said Wang Xiangqian, director of the conservation and research center for Giant Pandas.

"The all-white panda is extremely rare and very rare in the world, so it's important to protect it in the Sichuan Giant Panda Reserve."
Son follows father's selfless footsteps to Africa

Jia Jinhong working with medical aid team in Rwanda, just as dad did decades ago

By YAN HUI
in Kigali and reporting for Xinhua

Thirty years ago, 43-year-old Jia Cen was working as a Peace Corps volunteer in Rwanda when he met on a chance meeting, a medical student. Today, his son Jia Jinhong, 16, is working as a translator for the 23rd Chinese medical team dispatched to the African country.

Both schools are from the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region.

"My father's experience made me interested in foreign aid work," said Jia Jinhong, who has participated in 14 overseas outreach projects and helped African people. "So I applied to undertake the same work as my father who arrived in Rwanda in April 1992.

The original Eastern province, which is about 900 kilometers from the capital, Kigali, they were faced with food and working conditions, causing medical aid projects to be suspended for four years.

Although many of the scenes are still burned in my memory, Jia Cen still remembers the first time he heard the Chinese Medical Cooperation in Rwanda.

Jia Zepan is a Pakistani who was born in the 1940s. He is the first generation of Chinese medical workers in Rwanda.

"Zepan has been growing roots for 50 years, Li said, adding that during the reign of the King, Emperor King (1796-1860), lots of roots were grown in the village which were cut into blocks as a symbol of respect to the imperial palace. Nearly upright, the roots were then known as the "Qinghe Lotus Root."

According to historical records, the village was given the name Qinghe, or "Beside the water area," because it was once a site for plants, giving it a national advantage in growing lotus roots.

This crop will benefit channel farmers for increasing livestock numbers and rural livelihoods," said Wang said.

"It is far from the city, the steppe, with its sharp, distinct horizons, is a symbol of wilderness, vigor and indomitable spirit and was probably why the Chinese chose the lotus as the flag of its people, which stands thousands of years of galvanizing spirit."

"She was born and raised in the provinces, which has the most extensive floral coverings in China and is a treasure trove of biodiversity. As an old Chinese, he often explored the first foot near his home and developed a fascination for the small creatures that lived there, tracing them on his companions. His interest in these tiny inhabitants continued to grow over time. "Bijian is constantly referred to as a "bigr for short, and interesting," the Chinese character for "bigr includes the symbol for "lotus," Li said. "So I believe that our responsibility to explore the rich trove of insects will make more people aware of them."

Jia Jinhong's father was an expert in plant protection and was a key member of the team.

"We need to know the basics of enhancing awareness of this need to protect the "lotus root is just as important as being clean and pleasant," Li said.

Dr. Edgren said that his goal is to give all children a chance to learn and develop.

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**White House and Republicans reach deal on debt limit**

Tentative agreement still needs to tread difficult path in Congress

A security official stands guard near the US Capitol in Washington last week. The White House and Republicans on Thursday reached an “agreement in principle” to raise the debt ceiling to avoid a potential default amid pressure from global investors and deep global concerns. This page looks at the laws and means for both sides and the next hurdle the government needs to clear.

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**In Brief**

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- Under the agreement, the US government would raise its borrowing limit to around $31.4 trillion, which would allow the Treasury to meet its obligations through December 2023.
- The agreement also includes provisions for automatic spending cuts if the government offense is required.
- Republican leaders have said they will work to ensure the agreement is implemented as quickly as possible to avoid a default.

**Main Story**

A bipartisan move warmed up a piece of legislation over a compromise meant to keep markets in Las Vegas on Friday. The House-Senate, with the deadline looming and the government close to running out of funds, has finalized an agreement to raise the debt ceiling. It was then signed into law by President Joe Biden.

The deal comes as the US government is facing a potential default on its debt, which would trigger a global financial crisis. The agreement has been welcomed by investors and economists, who have said it is vital for the US economy to avoid a default.

The legislation, which was passed by the Senate on Thursday and signed by the president on Friday, sets a limit of $31.4 trillion on the debt ceiling through December 2023.

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Youngsters proud to take ‘bridge’ to China

By CHANG-JUN Fan fourteen
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Zahliiik Hiltak, a 10-year-old from the Hays Chinese Church School in Oregon, recently recited the Three Chineses Classics, most commonly known as Labu Zi Jing, which highlights Confucianism, morality and wisdom. Hiltak, who wore a red ribbon and tapped his foot to the beat, was among the 16 American K-12 finalists on Saturday who showcased their proficiency in Chinese language and culture. They competed for two spots in the International “Chinese Bridge” competition held in Beijing.

According to Tang Jun, the education counselor at the Chinese Consulate General in San Francisco, the Hiltak has absorbed about 100 poems in Tang’s era and early statesman until the 19th-century. Oregon, North Carolina, California and New York, are the highest national-level product of Chinese language and culture program.

Within an approximately 15-minute time frame, three elementary students needed to finish a free topic speech themed “Chinese, Joy and Fun,” a Q&A session with a judge panel, and a talent show.

Three middle-schoolers needed to deliver a speech themed “Fly high with Chinese”: a Q&A session, a talent show, and were questioned on their knowledge about current Chinese news, history and culture, and technology.

“We are especially excited to bring this event to Oregon,” said Chinese-English Professor Competition for foreign students and the 15th annual Chinese Bridge Chinese for Foreign Primary School Students, back to an impressive Chinese-learning program adding during the pandemic the competitive numbers was well above.

Hiltak, a fifth grader from the Yingxi School in Minnepolis, has the Chinese name of Liu Lin, which roughly means “tall and wise.” The 10-year-old, 16-year-old Chinese classics, and said she was “very lucky” to be able to share a Chinese tradition program from as early as 300 BC.

Although her first day at kindergarten was tough because she couldn’t understand every Chinese word and she cried to her parents, but Hiltak didn’t quit.

The whole family cultivated a Chinese-learning background, she said, citing the example of how they learned to use chopsticks. “We failed many times, but one day, and we finally had mastered the tricks,” she added, adding that’s why her favorite Chinese idiom is “one-minute glint in the spotlight means three hours (or years) of tedious rehearsal down the stage.”

Learning Chinese has opened a door, Hiltak said, through which she learned about the other part of the world.

“My family now observes the Chinese New Year, the Chinese student, and Chinese, including dinner, and family reunions,” she said.

Moore, a ninth grader at Lick Wilmerding High School in San Francisco, is passionate about learning Chinese, not only for its culture, language, and its people, but also about China’s rich history and modernization.

“Chinese feels proud of its 5,000 years of history and its rich culture,” she said, “both Chinese and English people are great, and we deserve better friendship and mutual understanding.”

The bridge goes to vote again in poll runoff

Erdogan seeks third term after failing to secure outright victory in first round

ANKARA — Voters in Turkey returned to the polls on Sunday to decide whether the country’s long-time leader President Recep Tayyip Erdogan’s ruling party will rule a third decade or is ousted by a challenge.

Erdogan, who has almostTurkish’s help for 20 years, was found to win a five-year-term in the second round after coming just short of an outright victory in the first round on May 14.

The long-term leader who turned his country into a geopolitical player finished with four percentage points in the second round after coming just short of an outright victory in the first round on May 14.

The final round could have implications for Europe’s future and the stability of the world’s two most important alliances.

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Outdoor economy thrives as more people step out

Camping sites, sports tent center stage in tourism revival

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More people are taking up hiking in the mountains or setting up campsites during this summer as they seek to stay healthy, boost everyday morale and better psychological wellness.

This is creating more opportunities for the on-the-go outdoor industry, including recreational tourism and outdoor sports.

Zhang Xingyu, who grew up near the mountains of his home city of Zhengzhou, Henan province, has traveled around the country to see the natural scenery and to see mountain trails close to home. His company, Xingyu Outdoor, started in 2021 and has won the automobile industry’s attention.

Last year, millions of outdoor activities, including hiking and drifting at a stream after school hours, came flooding back when Zhang, the father of a four-year-old boy, went camping.

“Suddenly, I remembered what it was like to be a part of nature, the fresh air and open spaces,” Zhang said. “Camping has enriched our family life and brought us closer as a family unit.”

To make fire with wooden sticks that I myself had chopped was a real joy,” he says. “People become more self-sufficient.

Since then, Zhang’s family and friends have gathered almost every weekend to camp near the mountains or coves. An outdoor gear collection, Zhang has spent time researching camping equipment, and a similar amount on clothing and shoes. “Every trip is a chance to discover something new,” he says.

Many more tourists choose outdoor routes and destinations as car-expansion, growth of leisure activities during the May Day holiday, said Yu Gu, director of the China Automobile Tourism Research Institute in Beijing.

“If the past three years, camping was about cars and shelters, in the future we are seeing people setting up tents and traveling to further mountains and tourist sites, such as Xiangji Uyghur autonomous region and Xinjiang province,” he said. According to the China Tourism Research Institute, tourism revenue for outdoor tourism products climbed more than 100 percent in March compared to the same period last year.

The popularity of camping and outdoor sports has been most vividly reflected in the number of tourists spots such as Shangri-la, Yunnan province, and the beaches in the island province of Hainan, where the number of tourists for camping, hiking and mountain climbing exceeded 1 billion.

Qian says that since the great Wall and nearby mountains in Beijing have become famous tourist spots, four seasons, including MSR, Hilman and The Free Spirit, two veteran, several alpineporters and sleeping bags that he once used on trips, are his favorite outdoor equipment.

“Outdoor tourism in China is still in its initial stage, yet it has great potential, says Qian. “The generation who has a lot of points from work and life, will have outdoor adventure in the future.”

Qian is also the founder of the outdoor camping chain.

As China’s consumer’s outdoor sports equipment and sportsswear has encouraged outdoor authorities to innovate and develop equipment to meet the needs of the outdoors. Athletic apparel and equipment brand Lululemon has developed a dedicated hiking collection for the Chinese market. On May 3, Lululemon launched its first-to-market 100-mile trekking shoe, Hilman Trail, which offers greater traction and durability with an upper focusing a protective film and a rugged sole for outdoor duty.

“Since the COVID-19 pandemic, more people began to go outdoors, and our cycling collection has been well-received by our Chinese guests,” said Wang, chairman of the China Outdoor Industry Association.

According to a recent survey, consumers in China who choose professional outdoor sports brands are more concerned about the environment. They use outdoor sports more frequently in their daily social activities through outdoor activities. Outdoor sports equipment should reflect a balance between functionality and fashionable design, the survey reported.

Brands such as Wildcraft, a lifestyle clothing and equipment producer based in Shanghai, Guangzhou province, has maintained traditional outdoor products to urban visitors to reach more consumers. According to the outdoor market, China’s leading outdoor tourism agency, participation in outdoor tourism is on the rise, with a staggering increase in outdoor sports and urban outdoor tourism, as the company said. "This is a good news to us," he said. "The number of urban outdoor tourists has a short trip to the city's coastline, to play frisbee and then stay in an outdoor tent and make the frisbee camping and fish camping are becoming more and more.

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Qingdao-based outdoor equipment brand shows diverse portfolio to camping needs

By WANG ZHENGQIANG

During the past three years, as the habit of going on a camping adventure has developed into a hot trend, one domestic tent producer has found its products in high demand, with requests from domestic and overseas markets.

The Five Spirits Tents, or TFS Tents, an outdoor equipment brand focusing on camping tents based in Qingdao, Shandong province, said lightweight tents for hiking and mountain climbing and designs with individually have proven more popular recently.

“Family tent users are more frequent these years when more people can travel overseas or on long-distance trips,” said Wang Jie, founder of TFS Tents.

Lighter and fewer tents that can house an entire family and their equipment are no longer the most wanted,” said Wang.

Founded in 2019 by Wang, a tent designer, TFS Tents has become popular among overseas fans and its product was featured in the popular movie *The Wonderful World* in 2020.

**TFS Tents** — ranging from lightweight camping, backpacking and mountaineering — has four lines of products: the classic series Black Label, the lightweight Blue Label, the Red Label for outdoorsmen and the base camp series White Label.

Their Black Label series, designed for mountain climbing and hiking, has grown two to three times in sales volume.

“Years ago, young travelers have planned trips to renowned mountain climbing or hiking spots and require better quality and designs of outdoor equipment,” Wang noted.

Individuality and personality are essential to their demand, he said. Furthermore, many female travelers have asked for pint-sized tents.

The company has a factory of about 200 workers producing handmade bolts. Having worked for a South Korea tent original design manufacturing factory in Qingdao since 1999, Wang learned many skills. Seven years later, Wang was promoted to learning how to design the tents under a top South Korean designer.

Wang focused on the two most important factors of his business: materials and production. He abandoned the traditional way of paying his workers by how many tents they assembled and adopted the salary method that ensures work by the hour so as to improve the quality of each tent.

TFS Tents imports materials from South Korea and Japan, such as DAC tent poles, the highest-performances aluminium tubes from South Korea, which is widely used in extreme environments. Testing and production usually take two years to make one product, he said.

TFS Tents targets the elite group that is willing to spend more on outdoor equipment, and it is one of the participants bringing to life cross-border e-commerce business opportunities.

“We are aware that cross-border e-commerce provides a crucial channel for our fair share of the market,” said Wang. “The sales volume coming from cross-border e-commerce,” said Pan Yangping, the company CEO.

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**Cross-border e-commerce helps small biz exports**

QINGDAO — Xie Huan, a staff of a kitchenware manufacturing firm, has recently dropped a pile of company introduction booklets in English for the cross-border e-commerce trade fair held in southwest China’s Qingdao from May 12-18.

We embarked on a cross-border e-commerce business a few years ago, said Xie, who is in charge of the cross-border e-commerce division at Qingdao Design Kitchenware Manufacturing Co. Ltd, a company with a history spanning more than 160 years in kitchenware manufacturing.

Xie’s company is based in Dahu district, Qingdao. Its forging technology has been fixed on the city’s intangible cultural heritage protection list. Today, its products including kitchen knives, have been exported to the United States, European countries and Southeast Asian nations.

We hope to attract more international customers and platforms through this event, so that we can expand overseas markets through cross-border e-commerce. We are highly optimistic about our overseas businesses in the post-pandemic era,” said Xie, whose company has located a booth at the trade fair, a major event of the Fifth Western China International Fair for Investment and Trade, which kicked off on May 18.

The fair attracted more than 350 enterprises from home and abroad, along with more than 2,000 overseas buyers.

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A cross-border e-commerce company has become a new driving force for China’s e-commerce development, and a new channel for enterprises’ internationalization, upgrading and high-quality development. Meanwhile, an increasing number of small and medium-sized enterprises outside cross-border e-commerce is an essential tool to expand their international business.

In 2022, Qingdao’s cross-border e-commerce reached 367.5 billion yuan, up 112 percent year-on-year. At the same time, the city’s Foreign Affairs Department said the overseas circulation reached 3.2 trillion yuan, which is 86 percent compared to the previous year.

In the next few years, the investment potential of SMEs, many global e-commerce platforms, Alibaba and AliExpress also participate in the fair, seeking cooperation opportunities.

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Financial reform will help supervision system

EAGLE EYE
By Peng Xingyuan

**Significant changes**

The economic and financial systems of the ten National People’s Congress in early March, shared a hot debate on how China’s new financial regulatory arrangement would be presented in the world.

Financial committee members, highlighting the original responsibilities of the Financial Stability and Development Committee, were nickel-plated in this hot topic. The new established committee will enter into the long-expected, planning, better coordination, holistic development and solid work plan projects of financial stability and supervision. It will also study and deliberate on major policies and critical issues in the financial market.

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**Mainstream**

By Yang Xinhu

The C7 summit, which concluded in Washington, D.C. last week, has been the main forum for seven major economic powers and they have recently agreed to have a “secure and inclusive” security policy by pushing for “a level playing field for workers and companies” in dealing with China.

The meeting marked a turnaround after the US announced a one-sided strategy of containment that it had been pursuing. In the past, the C7 countries have been at odds on economic and trade cooperation with other developed countries.

To further promote in Indo-Pacifc Strategy and Indo-Pacific Economic Framework, the United States has been pushing for economic and trade cooperation between China and Asian countries. Through such arrangements, the regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership, the United States also aims to derive economic and trade cooperation frameworks, such as the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership.

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So only has itself to blame for stalled trilateral negotiations?

Washington has complained of Beijing’s coordination with regard to the East China Sea. The Chinese National Security Council’s meeting last week is a clear sign of that. Even if the US remains committed to the two-way approach, it will be a political step to the sales of military products to China.

**What They Say**

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The first domestically manufactured passenger aircraft (a model similar to the Airbus A320) and its counterpart, the China-made Xilong, were expected to complete its maiden flight in 2020. This year, the US and China have raised tensions over trade and tech rivalry.

**Tech companies victims of tech hegemony**

A lmost seven months after the US and China reached a deal to phase out tariffs in return for China making purchases, US tech companies are finding it difficult to return to normal.

**Domestic tech progress bar raised again**

The Chinese government is stepping up efforts to boost domestic tech companies and reduce reliance on US technology.

The move is expected to help China catch up with the US and other tech giants in the global technology race. However, experts say the progress may be limited, as the US and China are competing in different areas.

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The China-Central Asia Summit provides a pivotal platform for a future of robust economic cooperation and shared development.

The comprehensive nature of these agreements reflects the mutual commitment to maintaining robust ties in various sectors of mutual interest.

Through these initiatives, China and Central Asia are working to strengthen regional connectivity, promote economic cooperation, and regional peace and security.

China's significant investment in transport infrastructure—estimated at around $22 billion—reflecting its commitment to promoting economic growth and enhancing cooperation with countries in the region. The introduction of three initiatives to counter-terrorism are further solidifying China's intent to deepen people-to-people ties and promote mutual trust between China and the five Central Asian states, which reached a staggering $22 billion in 2022 and demonstrated a remarkable 22 percent growth in the first quarter of this year, serving as a testament to the escalating significance of economic cooperation.

The rise of challenges such as terrorism in the region, particularly in Afghanistan, is prompting heightened security concerns among the Central Asian countries and Pakistan. Through mutual economic links and increased connectivity, military cooperation and multilateral initiatives have been established, including the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the China-Central Asia (C+5) cooperation mechanism. China has also taken an active role in providing humanitarian and economic assistance to the countries, which can help address Pakistan's energy needs and contribute to its economic growth.

The summit emphasized on countering terrorism and infrastructural development. Pakistan has been one of the major players in this regard, and the agreements reached will serve to enhance trade, economic growth, and regional security.

For Pakistan, this summit builds on the already existing strong bilateral and trilateral relationships. It aims to further solidify these partnerships and enhance cooperation with its Central Asian neighbors. This includes the establishment of a trilateral mechanism aimed at promoting economic cooperation and counter-terrorism activities.

Pakistan's President, Dr. Arif Alvi, emphasized the importance of this summit in fostering peace and security in the region. He stated that Pakistan has always been committed to maintaining good relations with its neighbors and is willing to contribute to regional stability and development.

Pakistan's Prime Minister, Shehbaz Sharif, also highlighted the significance of the summit. He emphasized the need for increased economic cooperation, especially in the trade and investment sectors. He further stated that Pakistan is committed to working closely with its Central Asian neighbors to address common challenges and promote mutual prosperity and regional peace.
Culture down to a tea

Domestic and international events showcase the intricate and compelling process in brewing and enjoying an exquisite taste of history, Cheng Yuezhua reports.

As accompanied by the resonant sound of traditional Chinese instruments and the chittering of birds, an exhibition opened within the Prince Kang’s Palace Museum, where tea was served from 17th century to 19th century.

The Beijing event, titled May 15, marked the beginning of the Tea for Harmony: Yij Cultural Salon, hosted by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism, to celebrate China’s tea culture.

Both, which translates to “vintage gathering” held to an ancient type of social event, where scholars and literati gathered to engage in a variety of refined cultural activities such as tea-painting, ancient Chinese literati’s playing and poetry composition and calligraphy.

Part of the lively traditional Chinese literary and cultural contemporary, it offers a gateway for people from home and abroad to journey back in time and immerse themselves in the learned world of scholarly offi cials.

A total of 75 diplomats and representatives from 65 countries and international organizations attended the event, accompanied by experts and officials from a breadth of Chinese cultural institutions, trade unions and companies.

“This culture has played a key role in the social development of many civilizations along the Silk Road, promoting exchanges between people and cultural learning,” says Shuhaib Hussein, director and representative of UNESCO’s Beijing Regional Office for East Asia, in an address at the event.

At the seminar, which lasted into tea time, a number of famous writers, intellectuals and penmen of inner peace, said that he hopes to trigger a deep understanding of the value of tea, not only as a delicious beverage, but also as an embodiment of cultural heritage, identity and contributions.

Among the tea stalls at the event, that of Zhang Zhaolin, from East China’s Zhejiang province, received considerable attention. His works are best known for their depth and grace, and are drawing toasts from a common drink.

“Among Tea-masters worth to be mentioned, the one you have seen is Zhao hong, who is very famous under the name of master Zhao in the tea circle,” a visitor from the US, who is well versed in Chinese culture, said.

“Tea-making is an art, and anyone who knows Chinese culture will be able to feel the beauty of this art,” the visitor added.

“Chinese culture and tea culture are inextricably intertwined. The former is a product of the latter, and the latter is a reflection of the former. They complement each other,” he said.

This event series, which was launched in December in collaboration with UNESCO, continues to offer an authentic portrayal of Chinese culture, in all its variety and depth.

On this year’s International Tea Day, an annual celebration falling on May 21, the ministry brought together organizations from 30 provincial-level administrative regions, 12 Chinese cultural salons and five tourism offices to put on the show in 15 provinces, as well as at the headquarters of the United Nations and UNESCO.

Exhibitions, screenings, performances and recitations were organized, allowing visitors to gain a fuller understanding of Chinese tea culture.

A section of the event, which is themed “Harmony: Yij Cultural Salon,” is aimed at promoting cultural exchanges and cooperation among countries, as well as to enhance the understanding of traditional Chinese culture.

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According to Liu, more than 130 tea-related cultural heritage events were organized, constituting a comprehensive display of recent achievements in the promotion and protection of tea culture.

“A Chinese saying goes: ‘The pursuit of beauty is a triumph of the spirit. We should do what the Chinese have done since ancient times and put the tea at the center and aim to benefit the people with the highest achievements,’” he says.

To integrate intangible cultural heritage into contemporary life, the ministry hopes to provide a wide array of activities related to tea anthologies from all over the country.

Meanwhile, a series of traditional tea-making workshops were held to demonstrate the skills. The related workshops and companies displayed their products. Teenagers also held field trips to learn about the history of tea and its production, and reports shared these stories at forum discussions.

Each of the 13 exhibitions made some retrievals that exemplified the traditional art-making techniques, and the tea-making customs. Among the displays, some of the achievements of the如意春秋-International Art Exhibition were also displayed.

Other regions across China also hosted related screenings, lectures, exhibitions and tea and food-making activities. Among the general public, and visitors in particular, to celebrate this year’s International Tea Day.

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Top left: Shahibul Khan, from the UNESCO Multi-Bilateral Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, in an event at the event.


Left: Inhabitant of the Chinese cultural salon Zhang Zhulin, from Fujian province, shows the expertise at the ceremony.

A view showing the activity at the event, in which three children and a boy with disabilities, and other participants were sharing the experience of tea-making. They were all wearing traditional Chinese costumes and were engaged in the tea-making process.

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Wang Xingwu, an 80-year-old craftsman, has devoted himself to the development of traditional papermaking. He has inherited a scientific and handmade method named "Wangji". This technique, passed down from his 90-year-old papermaker father to him, is unique in that it requires the processing of fresh bamboo leaves. The process begins by soaking bamboo leaves and then boiling them with water. Next, the leaves are dried under the sun. The dried leaves are then ground into a pulp, which is then beaten with a stone to create a sheet of paper. After being dried and flattened, the sheet of paper is completed.

The fibers will then be soaked, cooked, and beaten into pulp. They are then placed in wooden molds for shaping. After being dried and treated, a sheet of paper is completed. The entire process is done naturally using natural materials, and the paper has retained its natural characteristics, such as its flexibility, glue, and permanent water absorbency. Wang’s paper mill is one of the oldest in the village, and his family has been engaging in papermaking for generations. He began instructing his children in the traditional papermaking skills at an early age. The traditional technique is passed down from generation to generation within the family. The papermaking traditional skill is on the verge of extinction, and it has become a valuable cultural heritage. The production of handmade paper is limited to less than 100 tons per year.
CULTURE

Pavilion stands as testament to ties

Chinese-style structure inspired by ancient tale and built for garden competition offers reminder of the power of love, Xing Yi reports.

A huge thank you... for the support in helping us to secure the future of a beautiful celebration of Chinese culture... in the very heart of our garden.

Clare Matteson, director-general of the Royal Horticultural Society

Universal language tells ancient Chinese tale

As long as kilometres south of east London lies a garden. About five minutes’ walk from the headquarters of the Royal Horticultural Society, the Garden Wisley to be precise, sits a structure that has stood for almost 100 years.

The pavilion’s original function was to host performances in a Chinese-style garden, and in 2006, it was transformed into a garden for the Chinese and the United Kingdom.

The traditional structure was originally featured in a Chinese show-garden at the Hampton Court Flower Show, one of the world’s largest gardening contests and events, in 2006.

After 27 years, the pavilion’s designer, Liu Tingting, a producer of landscape and garden design at Tianjin University, still vividly recalls the day the show-garden was moved.

“The British Orbis were amazed by the pavilion and Chinese garden, because our philosophy in terms of making a garden showed — we had not few flowers, but visitors could find various views and different structures that they stepped inside and looked from different angles,” Liu said, adding that the pavilion is still open to the public.

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In Beijing, the Eastern Han Dynasty (257 BC-AD 220), with Zhu, a daughter of an official, and Liang, a young scholar, as the main characters, the story is told of their romance and love affair that took place in beautiful harmony that circulated around the entire stage.

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