Humanitarian cause unites the world, Xi says

President praises International Committee of the Red Cross' work to promote peace, progress

By MIN JUNCHENG and WANG XIAOFU

President Xi Jinping stressed on Wednesday the importance of humanitarianism in solving differing situations, saying that China is willing to work closely with the International Committee of the Red Cross to make significant contributions to promoting peace and progress for humanity.

Xi made the remarks while meeting with ICRC President Mirjam Fijten at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing.

The ICRC, established in 1863, operates worldwide with a mission to protect the lives and dignity of victims affected by armed conflict and violence, as well as to provide them with assistance.

During the meeting, Xi spoke highly of the productive work carried out by the ICRC in providing humanitarian assistance globally over the past 150 years. He also said he appreciated the organization's important contributions to world peace and development.

He noted that at a time when the world is undergoing unprecedented changes and challenges, China does not pursue its own interests at the expense of others, but strengthens cooperation with all countries to jointly address global challenges and build a community with a shared future for mankind.

Xi said China is willing to work further with the ICRC and the Red Cross Society of China to actively carry out cooperation.
Xiongan: Pioneering policies introduced

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Innovative approach

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1. Xiongan has established a preferential policy approach for enterprises, along with customized policies for key units transferred from Beijing, as well as platform enterprises and leading companies, to attract high-quality talents and enterprises.

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Media unity seen as key for heritage protection

Forum: Promoting news cooperation can help preserve Asian cultures

BY FANG XIAOQING AND WANG RUI

The key role of media cooperation across Asia is the topic of a conference titled “Media Unity seen as Key for Heritage Protection,” which was held in Beijing during the second annual meeting of the Asian News Network (ANN) on Monday, following the 2023 anniversary of the establishment of the ANN.

The Forum on Cultural Heritage Conservation, themed “Collaboration is the Key,” was co-organized by China Daily, the National Cultural Heritage Administration, and the ANN News Network. It was held under the umbrella of the Alliance of Nations for the same purpose.

The ANN, an entity that brings together the top 10 newspapers in the Asian region, has been an active promoter of cross-border media cooperation. The conference was the latest event in this series.

The conference was held under the Chinese and the National Cultural Heritage Administration, and the ANN News Network.

“Media cooperation is essential for cultural heritage conservation, as it can promote understanding and appreciation of cultural diversity and facilitate the exchange of knowledge and resources,” said Liang Wei, deputy director of the Cultural Heritage Administration.

The conference concluded with a session on cultural heritage conservation, focusing on the role of media in promoting cultural diversity and heritage protection.

The conference was attended by representatives from China, Japan, South Korea, and the Philippines.

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ASEAN summit starts with focus on peace, prosperity

By LEONARDOS JIEZIO in Jakarta and FRANCISCO SALCEDO in Manila

Indonesian President Joko Widodo has said his country will not have a “double standard” in its dealings with China, as he seeks to balance Beijing and Washington. The Communist Party leader’s comments came as he hosted the 43rd ASEAN summit in Jakarta on Tuesday, Indonesia holding the ASEAN chair for the year. The summit discussed cooperation in various fields, including economic, political, and social aspects.

Widodo said at the opening of the summit that ASEAN must be a “leading force” in regional and global affairs. He added that Indonesia would continue to work towards maintaining peace and stability in the region.

ASEAN leaders will hold an East Asia Summit on Wednesday, a wider forum that includes dialogue with China, Russia, and the United States.

This week’s meeting was also marked by a wider range of议题, including efforts to address the issue of illegal fishing, known as “piracy,” in the region.

The Western media has reported that Indonesia has been embroiled in a maritime dispute with China over a large area of the South China Sea, which the United States has also expressed concern about.

Widodo said at the meeting that Indonesia would continue to work towards maintaining peace and stability in the region. He added that Indonesia would continue to work towards maintaining peace and stability in the region.

Many ASEAN leaders have been dealing with the increasing number of illegal fishing boats in the region.

Japan’s disarmament campaign sparked concern

By SHING Fong AND KYU YUN

If you search for information related to Japan’s nuclear-waste management, you may have trouble finding it. The country’s nuclear energy policy has been in flux for the past several years due to safety concerns and public opposition.

The country has been struggling to deal with the aftermath of the 2011 Fukushima disaster, which caused the world’s worst nuclear crisis since Chernobyl. Fukushima’s Daiichi nuclear power plant suffered a series of meltdowns and explosions, leading to large amounts of radioactive waste.

Japan has been working to manage its nuclear waste, including by storing it at its plants and transporting it to other countries. However, the country has been unable to find a permanent storage solution.

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22-year sentence for ex-Proud Boys chief

ENRIQUE TARRIO

Enrique Tarrio, a former leader of the Proud Boys movement, was sentenced to 22 years in prison after being found guilty of conspiracy and charges related to the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol. Tarrio, who was charged along with several other defendants, had been accused of leading a group of white supremacists in their efforts to disrupt the certification of President Joe Biden’s electoral votes.

The Proud Boys movement, which has been linked to white supremacy and has been involved in hate crimes and violence, had been involved in the planning and coordination of the attack on the Capitol. Tarrio, who was the leader of the Proud Boys in Washington, D.C., was one of the key figures in the group’s efforts to disrupt the electoral process.

The sentencing of Tarrio and other defendants comes as the United States continues to grapple with the aftermath of the attack on the Capitol, and as the country seeks to address the issues of hate crimes, white supremacy, and political violence.

House GOP weighing political implications of an impeachment inquiry

A House Republican caucus meeting was held on Monday to discuss the political implications of an impeachment inquiry against President Donald Trump.

The meeting was held as the House of Representatives was considering a resolution to open an impeachment inquiry, which would enable Congress to consider charges against the president. The meeting, which was attended by Republican House members, was reportedly held to discuss the political implications of such an inquiry.

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Shenzhen, HK aim to combine resources, talent to develop tech innovation

By YANG XUELEI in Beijing and XI CHUNSHUANG in Shenzhen

China's latest development plan for the Shenzhen-Hong Kong innovation zone aims to foster stronger tech innovation and closer industry cooperation between the two cities, which will help drive China's higher-quality development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, officials said on Tuesday.

The zone, which covers the entire territory of Shenzhen and Hong Kong's New Territories West Area, includes a broad range of tech innovation and industry cooperation between the two cities in technology parks, universities and government agencies.

Shenzhen-Hong Kong tech innovation zone

The Scientific and Technical Innovation Commission of Guangdong Province (NSD/FARA) released a 76-page white paper on the Shenzhen-Hong Kong tech innovation zone on Tuesday. The white paper has been drawn up in line with international trends and best practices, and will act as a clear outline and road map for the zone, according to the plan.

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GCL plans factory in Saudi Arabia

By ZHENG XIN

Chinese photovoltaic manufacturer GCL System Technology Holdings Ltd said the company would cooperate with Saudi Arabia on operating a factory in the kingdom with an aim to develop its solar power industry in the country.

The company, the world’s second-largest manufacturer of photovoltaic equipment by sales revenue, said it had signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Energy, which was expected to lead to a factory under construction in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

GCL said it would build a factory and lead the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Energy in the construction of a factory, with a production capacity of 10GW of photovoltaic power. The factory would be located in the Saudi Arabian region of the Pre-Neom Development and Aviation by the end of 2022.

A document showing green shoots for China’s overseas investment The Chinese Ministry of Commerce has recently introduced a draft law on overseas investment, which is expected to bring good news for those wanting to invest in emerging markets.

The new law aims to strengthen the legal basis for overseas investment and protect the rights and interests of Chinese investors.

The law has been under discussion for several years, and the Ministry of Commerce has been working on it in consultation with other departments.

According to the draft law, Chinese investors will be subject to stricter management and control, with the aim of improving the quality and efficiency of overseas investment.

The law also requires foreign governments to respect and protect Chinese investors’ rights and interests, and to provide necessary support and assistance.

The Ministry of Commerce has been holding public consultations on the draft law, and is expected to submit it to the National People’s Congress for deliberation in the near future.

For investors, the new law will provide clearer guidance on the procedure, rules, and requirements for overseas investment. It will also enhance the protection of their rights and interests.

Overall, the new law is expected to make China a more attractive destination for overseas investment, and it will contribute to promoting China’s economic cooperation and development.

Source: China Daily
Media plays critical role in telling Asian stories

On Vogos:

Countries should learn together

In the 1990s, the Nagara culture was promoted and highlighted throughout the world. Since then, the cultural diversity of China has become more prominent. The cultural diversity of China has made it a cultural country with many different cultural traditions. In the Nagara culture, the Chinese have a strong sense of cultural identity and are able to respect and learn from each other.

Many of the exhibits in the Nagara culture have been respected and developed. Today, the Chinese are paying more attention to the Nagara culture, which has been promoted and highlighted throughout the world. The Nagara culture has become more prominent. The Nagara culture has made it a cultural country with many different cultural traditions. The Chinese have a strong sense of cultural identity and are able to respect and learn from each other.

Li Chen

Protection of shared heritage important

Experts mull using cultural resources to boost international exchanges

What they say

*Figures: (top) Dafang Wang, Xinglin Ji, Youqin Li
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Soldier in Xinjiang brings devotion, combat skills to armed police force

Chen Lin draws on experiences to better prepare troops for fight against terrorists

After many years of undergoing strict training and gaining experience in combat missions, Chen Lin, a member of a special operations detachment of the Xinjiang Armed Police based in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, returned from a training exercise. A member of Chen’s special tactics training team, he was put through grueling daily training in the training base during winter."
Hanoi should be wary of ploy to use it as a regional geopolitical game

As far as Chinese territorial disputes with its neighboring countries are concerned, China has already clarified and declared that they should be settled through talks. China has also pledged to continue talks on the Code of Conduct for the South China Sea, which will help resolve the disputes. Vietnam knows how important its relation with China and the US is. China and Vietnam relations play a key role in its development. Of course, it should expand economic and trade cooperation with the US. But it should not use the US to influence Vietnam.

When it comes to economic and trade cooperation, no country should be forced to take sides between the US and China. Vietnam should find it impossible to balance their relations with the US's largest and second-largest economies. It is because Vietnam insists on preserving itself and becoming stronger. It would be very risky to use big powers to influence it.

It is time for Vietnam to realize it no longer has countries and began normalizing its relations with Southeast Asian countries without disrupting regional peace and stability.
HK enjoying fruits of security law for the well-being of its residents

At the return to the motherland in 1997, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) government has maintained its level of development momentum, and achieved significant progress in many areas, including economy, society, and environment. The HKSAR government has been dedicated to the implementation of the "one country, two systems" policy, which was proposed by the late Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping. The policy has been successfully implemented in Hong Kong, ensuring the prosperity and stability of the city.

The British colonial rulers treated Hong Kong people as "second-class citizens," and denied them basic human rights and freedoms. Since Hong Kong returned to the motherland in 1997, it has become the capital of the Chinese people, and its basic human rights and freedoms have been guaranteed. Today, Hong Kong is a vibrant and prosperous city, with a high standard of living and a high level of human rights and freedoms.

The British colonial period saw a rapid economic development in Hong Kong, but the cost was high. The British colonial rule was controversial, and it was widely seen as a period of exploitation and domination of Hong Kong by the British. Since Hong Kong returned to the motherland, the British colonial rule has been replaced by the "one country, two systems" policy, which guarantees the prosperity and stability of the city. The British colonial period was a time of economic growth, but it was also a time of exploitation and domination.

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GLOBAL VIEWS

ZHAO FIE
For the common good
Regional experience and demonstrative effects of China-Southeast Asia cooperation have accelerated their joint building of the Belt and Road

T he past decade has borne witness to the fruitful results of the high-quality development of the Belt and Road in Southeast Asia. The journey to build the Belt and Road in Southeast Asia has comprised two phases: the first phase focused on aligning and the initiation of major infrastructure projects, while the second phase has seen cooperation between China and Southeast Asian countries shifting toward new areas such as economic cooperation, green economy, etc. Throughout this process, China and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have been instrumental in a series of successful endeavors, including maintaining high-level of development consensus, establishing and utilizing multilateral cooperative mechanisms, and effectively balancing development and security. These experiences have significantly demonstrated the value of providing valuable lessons.

Firstly, from the perspective of China and ASEAN, a high-level of development consensus has been necessary for the joint building of the Belt and Road. By promoting the joint vision of the Belt and Road, building the China-ASEAN comprehensive strategy, and maintaining the political identity of the Belt and Road, we can fully seize the opportunities and fully utilize the joint platform to respond to the current challenges.

Secondly, as a manifestation of regional cooperation, the Belt and Road is an open cooperation platform, and the cooperation has gradually changed from triangle to round table. They have engaged in discussions on development and environmental cooperation, and the idea of deepening cooperation through the division of labor to the common good has been built. In 2013, the Belt and Road initiative was put forward by China, and it has been the driving force behind regional development and cooperation, bringing multilateral cooperation platforms into play. In conclusion, the Belt and Road Initiative is the result of China and ASEAN's joint effort in regional development and environmental cooperation.

In the past decade, China and ASEAN have built a high-level of development consensus through the joint vision of the Belt and Road and the China-ASEAN comprehensive strategy, and have maintained the political identity of the Belt and Road. This demonstrates the importance of cooperation between China and ASEAN in the Belt and Road Initiative.

XU JIAYI and YANG HAITAO
Partners joining hands in biodiversity protection
China and ASEAN are promoting regional collaboration to build the resilience of nature

The Belt and Road Initiative is being built in Asia, Africa, Europe, and Asia. Focusing on the strategy of “ensuring peace, and building a common home for all humanity,” China and ASEAN are promoting regional collaboration to build the resilience of nature. These efforts reflect China’s balanced action between natural conservation and economic and social development. The Belt and Road Initiative is the world’s largest infrastructure project, and the Belt and Road Initiative promotes regional collaboration to build the resilience of nature.

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Global outlook on the Belt and Road Initiative and its common future
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exploded with the colors of anticipa-
tion and excitement—and, sometimes, just a touch of nerves.
In the latest episode of the China Daily series Youths Power, which was broadcast online on Aug 9, a group of international students studying at Chinese
universities exchanged their unique experiences and insights about the enriching journey of uni-
versity life.

Drops Rodrigues, a student from Spain, noted something different about Chinese colleges when she was a freshman at Tsinghua University last fall. She was sur-
priised that there were self-study rooms in her dormitory building, unlike in Spain.

“The rooms are equipped with tables, chairs and lights and nothing else. People go
there just to study,” said Rodrigues, adding that it’s a game-changer for a right side like him because it gives him a chance to study when his roommates are already asleep and the library is closed.

Lopei Xili, a student at Tsinghua University, who comes from Germany, highlighted the importance placed on equal opportunities in Chinese
higher education. “We even held fun for the evening. That was super nice,” said Xili.

This was shared by Alexxia Yili, a sen-
tor student at Tsinghua who is from Russia.

“I know, Tsinghua, we have to take swimming
lessons. If you don’t, you’ll have swimming
experiences you can’t imagine,”

Joel Yuan, a student from Bulgaria, has
an extensive higher education experience.
She had studied in Bulgaria, the UK, and is now
about to start her PhD at Tsinghua. She noted
that the initial novelty of entering a new
school quickly wears off and is replaced by
a sense of monotony. "Every year passed as
quickly as she said: "Your mindset might change as a new student and excited to see "Oh, what do I do?" The excitement turns a little bit into I wouldn’t care how, just for curiosity for the future.

Law Xi Zhu, a Tsinghua student from
Malaysia, said she was already experiencing
anxiety— not from her future concerns, but
because she suddenly had plenty of free
time and no idea what to do with it. Her
solution was to venture outside of her
comfort zone and try out charity work. “It can
help you broader your horizons and allevi-
ate your stress,” she said.

Wang Lian, a Chinese student at
Peking University, said students are often
challenged that can be conquered through open communications with peers. “From my
perspective, anxiety comes mainly when you
think you’re having problems but oth-
ers don’t,” said Wang, adding that when enter-
ing college, you encounter a broader world,
which can lead to feelings of being lost and
overwhelmed about your identity. But connec-
ting with fellow students allows you to real-
ize that “everyone has their own troubles
and everyone is working hard and trying
to deal with them,” she said.

Wang is not alone in her thoughts about
accompanying anxiety. She shared her expe-
rience about the importance of per-
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Embracing future challenges

At the 2023 Tsinghua Global Youth Dialogue, young leaders from diverse backgrounds discussed AI technology, climate change mitigation, and the importance of cultural exchange for a sustainable future. Meng Wenjie reports.

Tsinghua Global Youth Dialogue

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Tiffany Zeng, a graduate student at Harvard University

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Whenever we look at AI, sometimes we get a "hallucination", which means the AI will just simply make something up. It is incredibly dangerous because you’re working with human lives.

Tiffany Zeng, Tsinghua University MBA student

The need for dialogue has never been so important for mutual learning, and dialogue between and within societies, generations and cultures, including faith and beliefs.

Vladimir Ruzankov, director for Internationalization and Curriculum Initiatives at the BRICS Youth Energy Agency

Global universities unite for AI-driven education

By CHEN XUE and YANG JUN

"The rapid progress of artificial intelligence has triggered a revolutionary transformation within the finance and economics sector," said Zhao Zhengxia, president of the University of International Business and Economics. "Furthermore, it has earned a profound impact on educational institutions dedicated to finance and economics."

The remarks were made during the 1st Plenary Meeting of the Alliance for Economics and Management Education (AEME) and the International Forum on Higher Education for Economics and Management Talents. The event was held in Beijing, China, from June 22-24, 2023.

The 2nd Plenary Meeting of the Alliance for Economics and Management Education (AEME) and the International Forum on Higher Education for Economics and Management Talents was held in Guangzhou, Southwest China’s Guangdong Province.

The two-day meeting kicked off on June 23, 2023, and was attended by over 300 domestic and overseas guests, with more than 500 participants from 20 countries and regions, including the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, Australia, Singapore and Argentina.

The meeting and forum were integral components of the 2023 China ASIAE Edu-

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# Teen hiker conquers mountains

Teenage phenomenon Zen Xin really knows how to step up her game. From running a full marathon at 11 years old to hiking all five of China’s greatest mountains, she continues to impress and amaze.

By LI XINHUA and LV YINGQING

At just 30 years old, Zen Xin may appear to be a typical Gen Z kid. But her achievements can far surpass those of many adults.

Growing up in an open-minded family that valued learning beyond the confines of the classroom, Zen has witnessed talked launches, her first marathon at the age of 11. And last month, she became the youngest person to complete the "Five Great Mountains Challenge" in a mere five days.

The Five Great Mountains Challenge consists of climbing China's five greatest mountains: Mount Tai in Shandong, Hua Mountain in Shaanxi, Wutai Mountain in Shanxi, Emei Mountain in Sichuan, and Hengshan Mountain in Hunan — in 100 days.

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Zen's strength and determination are unparalleled. She has demonstrated that hard work and determination can lead to extraordinary achievements.

By MA ZHENGJIANG in Shanghai

Shao Lu, a 28-year-old craftsman from Jinhua, East China’s Zhejiang province, has created multiple works of art for the upcoming 2023 Asian Games. His craft is known as quilting — a form of art that involves the use of materials that are rolled, shaped, and glued together to form intricate designs.

Shao has produced more than a dozen works for the Asian Games, featuring the three main mammals and birds.

"The scale volume of those works, which were authorized by the organizing committee, has been great," Shao said.

"Each work was both online and offline, via the Games' ticket and media store and in its permanent store on Taobao."

The "monthly sales volume on Taobao is over 1,000 copies. We receive positive comments from our fans," Shao said.

"My child is familiar with quilting, but he is more interested in the second one than the first one," said one Taobao customer "It needs patience and he has a sense of achievement after finishing them."

Shao's works mainly feature flowers and other plants. In seven years, Shao has begun to develop cultural and creative products with local characteristics.

"One of my innovations is changing the theme of the wedding collection from 'Flowers to China-life' and local features," Shao said.

"Another innovation is that techniques and equipment have been simplified, making it easier for people to try."

Since Shao was a child, he has loved painting and handicrafts.

"Having learned quilting in 2016 from a master of the art, Shao has been devoting himself entirely to the craft."

Shao started his career after a meeting with a famous master when he was 13. He began by imitating the works of his instructors, but before long, he learned to interpret new techniques into his own works.

"During this period, I found that this paper art handcraft can be combined with painting and dior- ed art elements. I hope to find more techniques in this handcraft," Shao said.

Shao has inherited this skill from his grandfather, who is a master quilter. He said many of his master- ship's works have been featured in weddings and other official ceremonies.

This handcraft is not well-known nationwide, and it can only be seen in a few places in Zhejiang and Shaanxi provinces," Shao said.

In an area where Taobao is becoming an art outlet and other commercially viable works and crafts are emerging, Shao still relies on stickling to this craft, covering every step — weeding, cutting, rubbing, folding, and pressing — is done by hand.

To assure more interest in this art form among young people, Shao has gone online, creating accounts on social media such as Taobao, a popular Chinese lifestyle-sharing platform.

"Normally, I like to write articles about this art and post pictures of my latest works on ShaoLuqu," he said.

"I hope to open an exhibition hall in the future so that more people can introduce him to new craft fans," Shao said.