

## Global Openness Prospect

Mankind goes forward in the long river of history, and civilization develops in the changing times. The prosperity of human civilization is inseparable from openness, tolerance, pursuit of common ground amid differences, and mutual learning. **Openness renders human civilizations meet and collide with each other, absorb the best of others, and regenerate, and thus become the driving force for the regeneration of civilizations.** Openness allows circulation of production factors, information exchanges, free flow of products, and market connectivity, cleaning the blood of economic globalization.

The world today is undergoing major changes that are *unseen in a century*. The novel coronavirus pandemic has accelerated the adjustment and evolution of the world's landscape. The openness consensus of various countries has significantly weakened, unilateralism and protectionism have been on the rise, the momentum of economic globalization has weakened, resistance has been strengthened, and uncertainties and risks have increased.

**The world economy is once again facing the major historical question of *where to go*.** “Those who recognize the trend are clear-headed people, those who follow the trend are wise people, and those who ride the trend win.”

The desire of mankind to pursue peaceful development has not fundamentally changed, the mega-trend of technological innovation and industrial upgrading has not fundamentally changed, and the fact that the in-depth integration of various economies has not fundamentally changed. If the world wants to resolve the current development predicament and reverse the anti-globalization trend, it needs to grasp the future development trend based on the benign *self-fulfilling prophecy*. So that **the international community can have greater openness consensus, greater openness**

**momentum, and greater openness sharing.**

**The openness of the world in the future requires better ideas.** Thinking is the precursor of action. A more open and inclusive world needs to go beyond zero-sum game, prisoner's dilemma, and extreme thinking, and move towards mutual consultation and sharing, mutual benefit and *golden mean* thinking. Relevant countries should go beyond ideas such as clash of civilizations, civilization center, and inevitable hegemony of a country as a result of its growing prowess, and should instead move towards exchanges, equality, and appreciation of each other's values. They should transcend the law of the jungle, discard the mentality of prioritizing their own interests, and move towards *pursuing success while helping others to succeed*, balance between righteousness and benefits, and priority of humanity.

**The openness of the world in the future requires deeper mutual trust.** Trust has always been a scarce good in relations between major countries. Lack of leadership and motivation, and lack of trust are the main obstacles that the world faces today. *Without confidence there is no friendship.* By enhancing mutual trust and avoiding the emergence of an *economic iron curtain*, the world economy can break through the *adverse waves* and create a brave new world; if all countries can face their differences and contradictions, and strive to minimize the negative impacts for the common good, our human society will go farther and faster.

**The openness of the world in the future requires greater cooperation.** Seen from the perspective of *domestic priority*, the world is small and crowded, and there is always *fierce competition*. But seen from the perspective of shared future, the world is large and broad, and there are opportunities for cooperation everywhere. To make the *ship of openness* go steadily and far, it is necessary to make better use of the role of cooperation as a ballast stone, expand the convergence of interests amid competition, and jointly make efforts to meet each other the half way in solving global problems. *Alone, one goes fast; walking in a group, one goes far.* The right direction of development should feature close interaction among people, international exchanges that feature equal dialogue and pursuit of common ground amid differences, and a commonly observed order of mutual consultation, tolerance and mutual benefit.

**The openness of the world in the future requires more sharing.** Development together is true development, and sustainable development is good development. Given such problems as unfair distribution and wealth disparity, the world must follow

the right path of harmony, symbiosis, and unity when it expands openness. It should transcend barriers through exchanges, transcend conflicts through mutual learning, transcend chasms through win-win outcomes, and share the *pie of interests* in a fair way. So that the light of openness can shine on every corner of the earth to realize the symbiosis, coexistence and development of different regions, different countries and different peoples.

Looking forward, a new era has begun. The global economy will eventually continue to advance while its openness expands. Human civilization will eventually shine brightly amid expanding openness. And the future of the world will eventually embrace new glory as its openness grows.