

### **III. Stable and Long-term Success in the Joint Construction of the BRI**

“Numerous tiny streams converge to make a vast ocean, and countless radiant stars illuminate the Galaxy.” Looking forward, the principles of extensive consultation, joint contribution and shared benefits and the concepts of openness, greenness, and integrity will be adhered to in the joint construction of the BRI; and efforts will be made to strive to achieve high standards, improve people’s livelihood, and achieve sustainable goals to continue to move forward towards high-quality development.

#### **1. Practical policy consultation.**

On the basis of mutual respect and equal treatment, the interests and concerns of all parties shall be fully accommodated, strategic alignment shall be strengthened, complementary advantages shall be deepened, and opportunities and benefits shall be shared amid openness to achieve mutual benefit and win-win results. Policy coordination should be strengthened, cooperation mechanisms should be improved, and more pragmatic cooperation agreements and action plans should be signed, so as to amplify the effect of “one plus one becomes greater than two” in openness cooperation.

#### **2. Promoting infrastructure connectivity**

Great efforts should be made to improve global interconnectivity and improve the interconnectivity networks led by economic corridors and framed by mega-corridors and information highways. High-quality, sustainable, risk-resistant, reasonable price-based, inclusive and accessible goals should be integrated into all aspects of infrastructure projects to produce more visible results. The boosting effect of the new land-sea transport should be further improved and efforts should be made to promote the orderly development of the China-Europe freight trains; and the construction of the Digital Silk Road should be accelerated.

#### **3. Improving smoothness of trade**

Trade and investment liberalization and facilitation should be promoted, the multilateral trading system should be upheld, a clear-cut stand should be taken in the fight against protectionism, and high-standard free trade zones should be jointly built

with interested countries to promote the construction of an open world economy. The construction of overseas economic and trade cooperation zones and major projects should be promoted, and third-party cooperation should be strengthened to achieve win-win results for multiple parties and expand the convergence of interests.

#### **4. Stable financing**

The role of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and the Silk Road Fund should be better utilized, and multilateral and financial institutions from various countries should be guided and encouraged to invest in and provide financing for the joint construction of the BRI. Cooperation between government and social capital should be encouraged and a diversified financing system and a multi-level capital market should be established to form a stable, sustainable, and risk-controllable financial service system. Support should be provided for the construction of the Green Silk Road to jointly protect the earth.

#### **5. Closer people-to-people exchange**

Cooperation in the fields of education, science, culture, sports, tourism, and health should be enhanced, and exchanges between political parties, parliaments, think tanks, and media outlets should be strengthened. The way of exchange should be made more innovative, and dialogue channels should be increased to actively build bridges for mutual learning among different civilizations.

“All good principles should adapt to changing times to remain relevant.” It is the general trend that interests of all countries are increasingly integrated and their well-being is more and more interconnected. It is the common expectation of people of all countries to continue to live a better life. Over time, the joint construction of the “Belt and Road” will further demonstrate strong vitality and creativity, and make greater contributions to the building of an open world economy and a community with a shared future for mankind.