

欧阳玉靖大使在 2022 年世界华人

经济和科技峰会开幕式上的致辞

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The Honable Tan Sri Dato' Seri Utama Dr. Rais Yatim, President
of the Senate, Parliament of Malaysia,

Tan Sri Lee Kim Yew, Founder and Patron of the Global
Chinese Economic and Technology Summit,

Tan Sri Majid Khan, Chairman of KSI Strategic Institute for
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His Excellency Li Xingyu, Chairman of Returned Overseas
Chinese Federation, Shandong Province, China,

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear friends,

Good morning!

It is my great pleasure to be invited to the opening
ceremony of the 2022 Global Chinese Economic and
Technology Summit. On behalf of the Chinese Embassy in
Malaysia, I give my warmest congratulations to the successful

opening of this summit. My sincere thanks go to all good friends who have been generously contributing to the promotion of China-Malaysia economic and technological cooperation.

We meet at a time of momentous changes unseen in a century, changes that are consequential to the world, to our times, and to history. The COVID-19 pandemic still drags on with cases surging here and there. The world economy is getting more fragile. The geopolitical environment remains tense. Global governance is seriously inadequate. The crisis in Ukraine has spread spillover effects. Food, energy, climate change crises are compounded with one another. Many countries are encountering considerable difficulties in economic and social development. Various factors of uncertainty and instability are growing. Human development is facing extremely severe challenges.

Meanwhile, we have witnessed that the 21st century is the Asia-Pacific century. Our region, which accounts for one-third of the world's population, over 60 percent of the global economy and close to half of global trade, is the most dynamic growth belt in the world. China and ASEAN are both important economies in the Asia-Pacific region. Trade between China and ASEAN has grown against the odds of COVID-19 in the past three years. We have become each other's largest trading partner. Two-way trade has been hitting new highs and reached US\$798.4 billion in the first ten months of 2022, witnessing a

13.8 percent year-over-year increase. Once again, China-Malaysia relations are at the forefront of China-ASEAN relations. Hoisting high the sail of standing together and keeping a steady hand on the tiller of solidarity and cooperation, China and Malaysia have made numerous remarkable achievements in various fields.

China and Malaysia have enjoyed close and frequent high-level exchanges. Former Malaysian Prime Minister, YAB Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri Bin Yaakob, attended the High-Level Dialogue on Global Development hosted by Chinese President Xi Jinping. Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi paid a successful official visit to Malaysia. Soon after YAB Dato' Seri Anwar Bin Ibrahim was sworn in as Malaysia's 10th Prime Minister, Chinese Premier Li Keqiang immediately sent his congratulations. This is a message which clearly shows the weight and importance of China-Malaysia relations on China's top leadership's agenda. It is convinced that under the guidance of leaders of both countries, China and Malaysia, enjoying the comprehensive strategic partnership, will continue to advance steadily towards building the China-Malaysia Community with a shared future. Together, we will bring more benefits to peoples of both countries.

China and Malaysia have harvested an increase of trade and investment against the odds. According to statistics made by Chinese authorities, from January to October this year,

bilateral trade volume between China and Malaysia has reached US\$165.5 billion, witnessing a 20.1% year-over-year increase. China is expected to be Malaysia's largest trading partner for 14 consecutive years by the end of this year. According to statistics made by Malaysian authorities, the first half of this year has seen an investment of 11 billion US dollars of Chinese-funded enterprises in Malaysia, accounting for 55.6% of Malaysia's total foreign direct investment. China has become Malaysia's top trading partner.

China and Malaysia have expanded cooperation in various fields. We have jointly advanced high-quality development of "Belt and Road" programs and projects, continued to promote flagship projects such as "Two Countries, Twin Parks" and the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL). We have deepened cooperation in traditional fields such as electrical & electronics, automobile manufacturing, railway & ports, etc. At the same time, we have worked closely to unleash the great potential of emerging industries such as e-commerce, digital economy and green economy, etc. Cooperation between China and Malaysia has been enriched with more comprehensiveness and depth.

Ladies and gentlemen, dear friends,

Standing at the crossroads of the times facing dramatic changes unseen in a century, China and Malaysia should further strengthen strategic communication, deepen pragmatic

cooperation and steadily advance regional economic integration. As a success model of bilateral relations in the region, China and Malaysia will continue to bring more benefits to peoples of both countries and inject more positive energy to the development of the region and the world.

China and Malaysia will further strengthen the foundation of mutual trust and continue to be good brothers.

Next year will mark the 10th anniversary of the comprehensive strategic partnership between China and Malaysia. The year after next will be the 50th anniversary of China and Malaysia establishing diplomatic relations. Both sides should take these opportunities to further enhance our relations. We should draw a strategic and long-term blueprint for China-Malaysia relations in the new era. We should strengthen cooperation at all levels of governments, political parties and local authorities. We should continue to enhance political mutual trust. We should deepen and expand practical cooperation in various fields. We should continue to support each other on matters of core interests and primary concerns in the international arena. We should keep enriching China-Malaysia comprehensive strategic partnership. In all, we should do our best to promote China-Malaysia relations to a new height.

China and Malaysia will strive for common development and be good partners based on mutual benefits.

China has embarked on its new journey of building China into a

modern socialist country in all respects, marching towards its second centenary goal. At the same time, Malaysia is implementing its 12th Malaysia Plan(12MP), striving to realize the Shared Prosperity Vision 2030. When opportunity presents itself, we should seize it. China and Malaysia should further strengthen our economic cooperation, accelerate science and technology innovation, and deepen our all-round cooperation in various fields covering connectivity, digital economy, green economy, modern agriculture and bio-medicine, etc. China will continue to encourage Chinese enterprises to increase their investments in Malaysia to help boost Malaysia's economy and upgrade its industrial structure.

China and Malaysia should work together to promote regional prosperity and set a good example of regional cooperation. We should keep to open regionalism, strengthen regional macroeconomic policy coordination and consolidate regional industrial and supply chains. We should advance trade and investment liberalization and facilitation and steadily advance Asia-Pacific economic integration. China will jointly work with Malaysia and other interested parties to implement the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), focusing on high quality development. China will work continuously toward joining the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) and the Digital Economy Partnership Agreement (DEPA). China will

contribute more to building an open Asia-Pacific economy.

Ladies and gentlemen, dear friends,

This year, under the strong leadership of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core, China effectively coordinated the efforts of Covid-19 prevention and control and economic and social development, and accelerated the implementation of the policy package for stabilizing the economy. As a result, China's national economy sustained recovery, the production and demands continued to improve, employment and prices were generally stable and people's livelihood was strongly and effectively safeguarded. The national economy was generally performing within an appropriate range. The momentum of China's sustained economic recovery remains unchanged. The fact that Chinese economy is strong in resilience, ample in potential and enormous in space remains unchanged. The fundamental factors ensuring China's sound economic growth in the long-term remain unchanged.

The 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) concluded with a great success. This congress has pointed out China's future development direction and path. China will unswervingly continue to expand and deepen opening-up and reform, advance the great cause of national rejuvenation by pursuing the Chinese-style modernization. Shortly after the conclusion of 20th Party congress, China

immediately put forward 15 policy measures to increase foreign capital inflows, stabilize the scale of foreign investment and improve the quality of foreign investment utilization. China has issued the 2022 Version of Catalogue of Encouraged Industries for Foreign Investment. China, continuing with enhanced opening-up and reform, progressing steadily on its way to modernization, will surely bring more opportunities to Malaysia and other countries in the region. It will surely inject stronger momentum to global economy to help boost its recovery.

As an ancient Chinese saying goes, “With one heart and one mind, we can accomplish everything we aspire for”, with concerted efforts of both sides, China-Malaysia economic and trade cooperation will surely harvest greater accomplishments in the new era, which will see more goals achieved and greater potential unleashed. Let's be confident and work harder together. China and Malaysia will surely embrace a brighter future of greater achievements in our win-win cooperation.

I wish this Summit a full success!

Thank you.