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PROGRAM

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"BELT & ROAD"
EUROPE meets CHINA

- GREEN ENERGY
- CIRCULAR ECONOMY
- DIGITAL CULTURE

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This year's forum will take place as a hybrid event and participants may attend either in person or online.

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This year marks the 10th anniversary of the launch of the new Silk Road Initiative and the 20th anniversary of the establishment of a comprehensive strategic partnership between China and the European Union. Frequent high-level interactions between China and the EU have pointed out the direction for bilateral economic and trade cooperation, injecting it with new momentum. According to data released by the General Administration of Customs of China, in the first five months of this year, the EU was China's second-largest trading partner. The total trade volume between China and the EU was 2.28 trillion yuan, a year-on-year increase of 3.6%. China needs Europe, and Europe needs China.

In order to save energy, reduce emissions, and improve the ecological environment, climate change, environmental protection, and clean energy have become the top priorities of all countries around the world, and China is no exception. It has invested a lot of research and development funds and created many solutions for a green world aiming to promote the transformation from "Made in China" to "Created in China", from "Chinese Speed" to "Chinese Quality", and from "Chinese Products" to "Chinese Brand".

The 6th China Forum and the 1st Global Young Leaders Forum aim to promote the development of the China-EU comprehensive strategic partnership and provide a sustainable platform for bilateral exchanges and cooperation. This year's forum is themed "China meets Europe" and focuses on the three main topics "Green Energy", "Circular Economy" and "Digital Culture". Presentations by highly interesting speakers around these three key issues are intended to stimulate discussions in order to learn from each other and provide information services for Chinese and Austrian / European enterprises in finding partners, market development, project financing and other aspects. Only EU-China cooperation can benefit mankind.

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Conference language: English 9:00 a.m. WELCOMING WORDS Mag. Dr. Peter Riedler Lianjuan Wu Univ.-Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr.techn. Horst Bischof Mag. Christian Buchmann Prof. Hongliang Gu, Ph.D. H.E. Mei Qi 9:20 a.m. **KEYNOTE** Squaring the Circle: How China and Europe Respond to Bitcoin and Blockchain Technologies Univ.-Prof. Dr. Horst Treiblmaier **LECTURES** 9:40 a.m. Talking About China: Nothing But Geopolitics? Univ.-Prof. emeritus Dr. Joseph Marko Green Finance Dr. Yanni Li Energy Master Plan for Austria for the Economy, for All of Us ÖR Mag. Siegfried Nagl The Role of European Networks in Achieving Climate Neutrality Hofrätin Mag. Brigitte Hasewend Inclusive, Sustainable, Individual - Challenges and Future Perspectives of Digital Solutions in Tourism Paul Kalcher Digital Transformation in the Higher Educational Sector Lorenz Schmoly, MSc China's Green Development in the New Era Sabine Dodier 11:10 a.m. Coffee break 11:30 a.m. **LECTURES** Research on Social Support for Chinese L2 Learners in the Context of Smart Education Prof. Jun Ye, Ph.D. Research on Current Challenges for the Electrical Grid Univ.-Prof. Dr. Robert Schürhuber Sustainability in Education: Global Partnerships for Change Priv.-Doz. Mag. Marion Garaus, Ph.D. Circular Economy - How Circular Is Our Society Already In Fact? Univ.-Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr. Marion Huber-Humer Sino-European Cooperation Agenda in an Age of Geopolitical Tensions Univ.-Prof. Dr. Richard Sturn Smart Recycling: Digitalization Trends for a Sustainable Circular Economy Christof Stromberger, MSc, MBA Innovative Methodologies and Examples - Teaching Support for the Dual Carbon Target Em. Univ.-Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr. Lothar Fickert Ars Electronica & The Power of Art: the Human Factor Michael Mondria Introduction: Global Young Leaders Union Anita Höller, BA Handing Over the Certificates to the Global Young Leaders Ambassadors

1:30 p.m.

Discussions & Networking at the lunch buffet

3:00 p.m. End of the forum

Dr. Wan Jie Chen



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