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**Dear all,**

In a few days it will be the National Day of the People's Republic of China and we will be celebrating the 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. On this occasion, I am pleased to present to you the E-Newsletter "China Info", released by the Chinese Embassy in Switzerland.

China is one of the oldest countries in the world, with a glorious culture that has made important contributions to the progress of human civilization. China is also one of the fastest growing and the most dynamic economies in the world. Today, China has entered a new stage of development and will unswervingly follow the path of peaceful development, persist in being a builder of world peace, a contributor to global development and a defender of international order, and work together with all countries to build a community with shared future for mankind.

Many Swiss friends are eager to learn more about China and get to know it better, but they lack a wide range of sources and channels to get different information. Thus, the Chinese Embassy in Switzerland creates and publishes now the E-Newsletter "China Info", which aims to provide the Swiss audience realistic and up-to-date information on China's development through thematically rich, authoritative and reliable articles.

I hope that the E-Newsletter will work as a bridge between the Embassy and the Swiss community, a window for Swiss friends to learn more about China and the China-Swiss relations.

Thank you for your interest. You are welcome to subscribe to the E-Newsletter and we highly appreciate your feedback, comments and advices.

**Yours sincerely**  
**Wang Shiing**  
**Chinese Ambassador to Switzerland**



### ***Learn about China's Development Over the Past 100 Years***



100 years ago, China was a weak, semi-colonial and semi-feudal country. Characterized by the invasion of western powers and the division caused by the warlords, while most Chinese people lived a miserable life. Over the past century, China has witnessed the vicissitudes of history and overcome many difficulties and obstacles to finally realize its dream of eradicating poverty.

[watch the past 100 years history of China through interactive multimedia-platform](#)

### ***Animated short starring classic Chinese cartoon characters promotes 150-day countdown to Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic Games***

An animated short promoting the 150-day countdown to the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games has brought back many Chinese people's childhood memories as it stars a number of classic Chinese cartoon characters including the Monkey King, Nezha, the Calabash Brothers and the Snow Child.

[click and watch the cartoon film](#)





### ***The history of the CPC is significant to world history***

Wolfram Adolphi, a celebrated China expert in Germany, describes the history of the Communist Party of China as an important part of the world history. This year marks the centenary of the founding of the CPC. In an exclusive interview, Wolfram Adolphi explained that now he had closely followed China's development as well as its contributions in international affairs.



[\*Click and read the story of Mr. Wolfram Adolphi\*](#)

### ***Real Friends - Foreigners Reveal the Truth about CPC Members***

Most CPC members neither wave flags nor shout slogans, but they are ordinary people tackling ordinary tasks - community workers, teachers, welders, veterans, doctors, policemen or village officials. They come from all social classes, and in the eyes of the foreigners they are also sincere friends and good servants to the people.



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### ***Foreign companies see great opportunities in China's opening up***



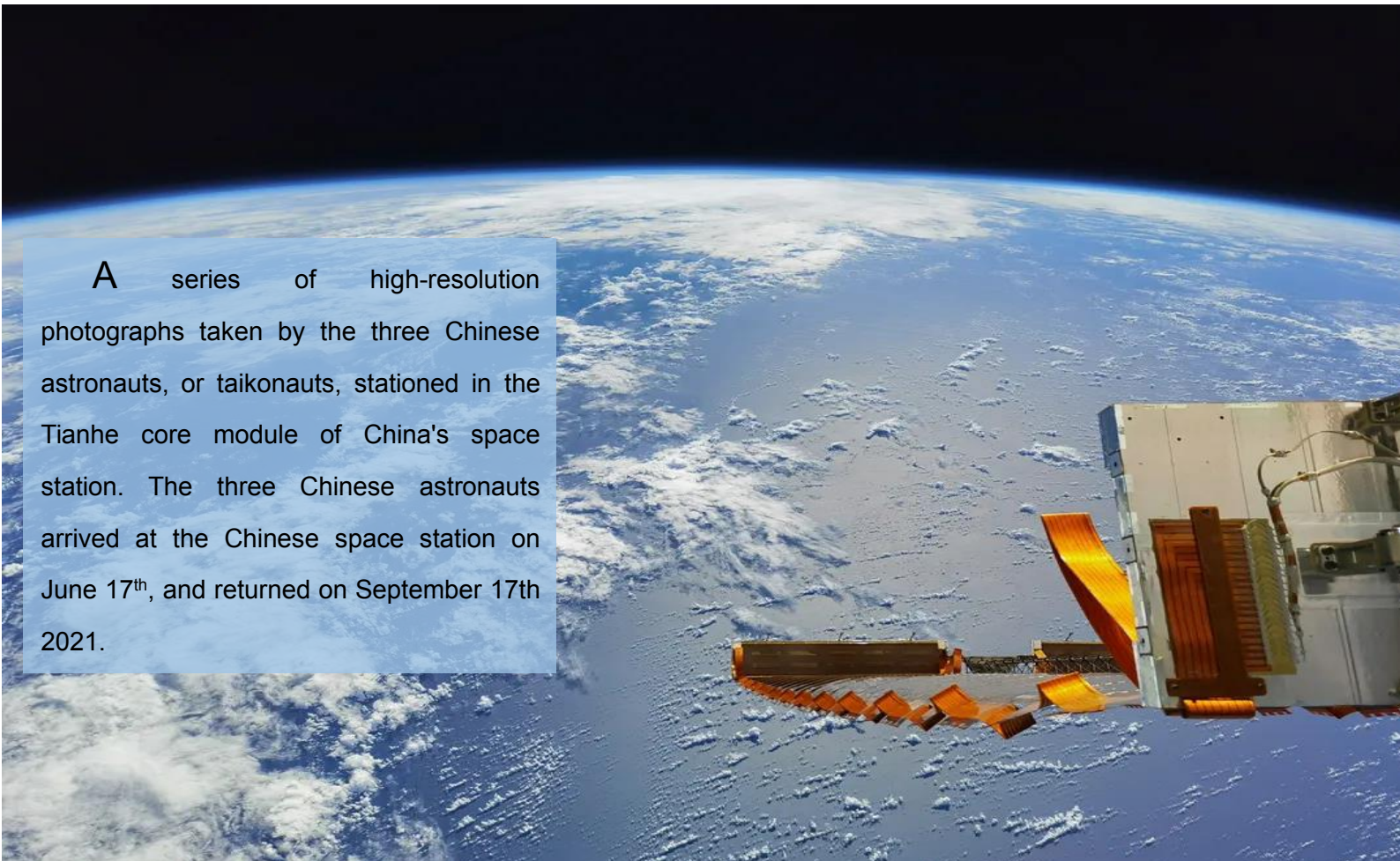
More and more foreign companies want to tap into the Chinese service sector. Due to the country's opening efforts, they continue to see robust demand in the Chinese market. China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS) showed that the Chinese market has great potential.

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### ***China Space Station: Stunning photos of Earth through taikonauts' lens***

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A series of high-resolution photographs taken by the three Chinese astronauts, or taikonauts, stationed in the Tianhe core module of China's space station. The three Chinese astronauts arrived at the Chinese space station on June 17<sup>th</sup>, and returned on September 17<sup>th</sup> 2021.





### ***US needs to work with China***



The United States needs to work with China to find a global solution in the fight against the Covid-19 pandemic, says prominent US academician and Chair of the Lancet Covid-19 Commission, Prof Dr Jeffrey Sachs. In an exclusive interview, he told the journalist that “The United States should learn some good manners, to work cooperatively with China rather than try to impose its will on the country”.

[\*Click here for the whole interview\*](#)

### ***China plans to deliver 110 million doses of Covid vaccine to COVAX by the end of October***

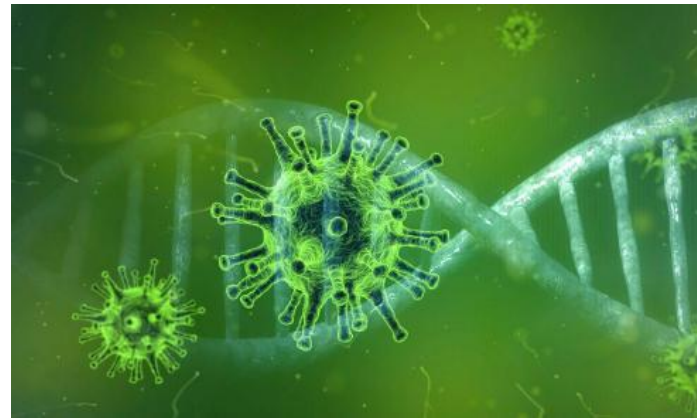
By the end of August, about 800 million doses of Chinese vaccines have been delivered to more than 100 countries around the world, especially developing countries. China is fulfilling its commitment to make Chinese vaccines a global public good in practice and will continue to do so. Sinopharm and Sinovac will deliver 110 million vaccine doses to the vaccine distribution system COVAX by the end of October.



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### ***Why many scientists say it's unlikely that SARS-CoV-2 originated from a "lab leak"***

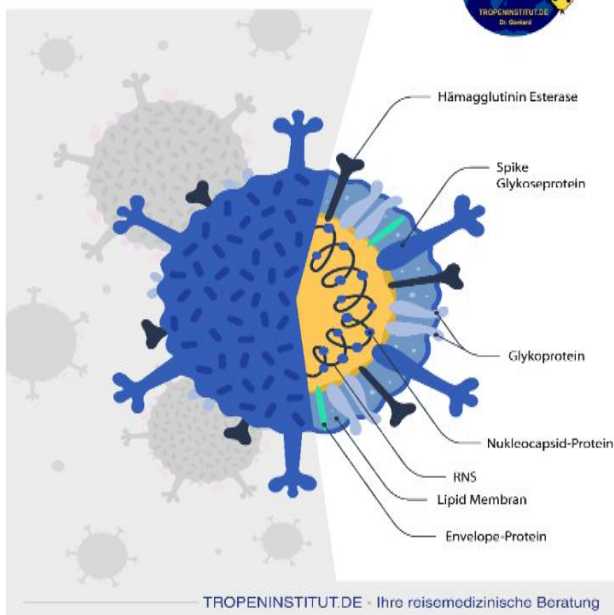
Several international experts explain in this Science Article why it's unlikely that SARS-CoV-2 originated from a "lab leak". The Joint Mission Report from WHO, has several little-noticed findings that make a natural origin appear more likely than a lab leak.



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### ***WHO experts: so far no public data support "laboratory leak theory"***

#### **Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2**



Dozens of WHO experts published a joint article in the British magazine *Nature*. They pointed out that, since the joint research report by China and the WHO on tracing the origin of COVID-19 was published, they had requested the publication of any data that supported the "laboratory leak theory". But so far there is no such data.

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### ***China issues plan for further developing Shenzhen-HK cooperation zone***



China's central government has issued a new plan for further developing a cooperation zone for the southern metropolis of Shenzhen and Hong Kong. The total area of the cooperation zone will be expanded to 120.56 square km.

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### ***Hong Kong's status as a global financial centre is strengthened***

To further strengthen Hong Kong's role as a global financial centre, the so-called "Wealth Management Connect" programme will soon be launched in the Greater Bay Area. This is intended to promote capital flows between the Mainland and the two Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macao.

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### ***Universities in Hong Kong gets more students from the mainland***



Hong Kong universities have undergone a significant increase of the quantity of students and applicants from the mainland this year. Experts and students explain this with the uncertain epidemic situation in formerly popular study countries on the one hand, and on the other hand with the stable environment that has prevailed in HK since the National Security Act was imposed there.

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### ***Hong Kong Crime situation: Safer city with better prospects***

The Hong Kong Police Force issued its latest six-monthly report on the crime situation, covering the period from January to June 2021. The overall crime situation in HK has improved. It suggests strongly that the ethos of violence unleashed by the protest movement and its armed wing during the insurrection has run its course, meaning everybody is safer.



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### ***Across China: Xinjiang housing renovations further debunk genocide claims***



Residents of northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region used their personal experiences to debunk the lies of politicians from certain Western countries concerning human rights violations in the region, several individuals from Hotan and Aksu prefectures shared their stories contradicting the lies cooked up by certain Western politicians.

[\*Click here to see the article\*](#)

### ***Harvest 4.0: Xinjiang's cotton industry in smart transition***

China is not only the world's largest cotton consumer, but also one of the world's most important cotton producers. In 2020, China produced around 5.95 million tonnes of the coveted natural product nationwide. 87.3 percent of this came from Xinjiang. Mechanised harvesting is promoted almost everywhere in Xinjiang.



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### ***Xinjiang: Our Stories Be Told. Part 1 – Growing up***

For the first episode of the feature documentary on Xinjiang, our cameras follow in the footsteps of two primary school students in Kashgar and two college students studying at Shihezi University. It's a simple yet touching story about friendship, education, youth and growing up in China's far northwest.



[\*Click here to see the Part 1\*](#)

### ***Xinjiang: Our Stories Be Told. Part 2 – Family***



[\*Click here to see the Part 2\*](#)

What does the word “Family” mean to you? For the second episode of the feature documentary on Xinjiang, two ordinary families — one in Kashgar and another in Hotan — tell their stories of familial love, affection, happiness and serenity, along with all the many trials and tribulations along their way.

### ***Ambassador WANG Shihting attended the 76th Annual Meeting & 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Swiss-Chinese Association***

On 29th August, Chinese Ambassador Wang Shihting was invited to attend the 76th Annual Meeting & 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Swiss-Chinese Association and delivered a speech, where he highly appreciated the contribution of the Swiss-Chinese Association to the development of bilateral relations.

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### ***Swiss astronaut hails Chinese astronauts' spacewalk and wants to cooperate with Tiangong space station***



After the astronauts of China's Tiangong space station successfully completed their first spacewalks on July 4, Swiss astronaut Claude Nicollier said he was impressed by the difficult achievement. As an experienced astronaut, he stresses that "the collaboration between several countries in any technical and scientific project of big scale is always positive", he hopes that such a cooperation will intensify in the future.

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***FHNW Round table discussions: Why is it necessary for Swiss companies to be present in China?***      [\*Click here to see the report\*](#)

Since the Chinese market has reached such great dimensions in almost all sectors, foreign firms were barely able to keep pace with the growth. Local companies develop brilliantly and could cooperate with foreign firms as equal partners. Therefore, to build partnerships with local Chinese companies become one strategic success factor.



***FHNW: Swiss China Update 2021: How should Swiss partners deal with China?***

China rises as a chance and partner to Europe, the USA and also Switzerland. But the criticism of China has been increasing. As an education and knowledge organization, the FHNW is the opinion that we need more dialogue. The basis for this dialogue is in-depth knowledge.



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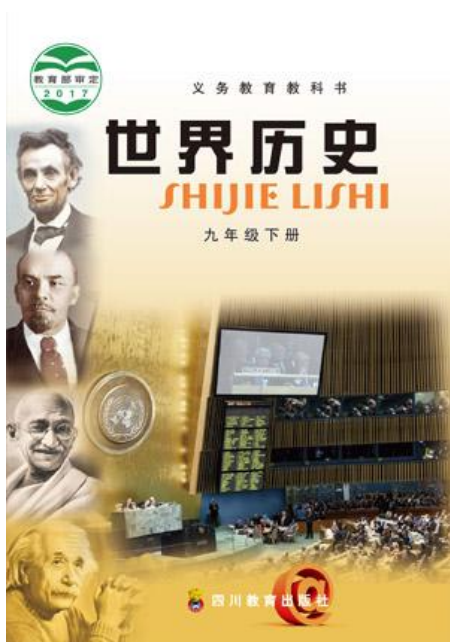
### ***Ten years of the China-Europe freight train: innovation and quality***

The China-Europe freight train has been operating for 10 years and has reached 92 cities in 21 countries. The innovation and development of railways in the wake of the Silk Road projects provides strong support for the economic development of countries along the route. For ten years and still today, this infrastructure offers more and more countries not only an alternative for commercial freight, but also opportunities for local development.



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### ***To know China as the Chinese know us***



The author and international affairs advisor Zou Qingshun highlights her frustration as a Chinese woman at how the Western press in its reports does not know much about China. It is probably also time for the West to go beyond clichés and better understand the cultural differences of a China that will be increasingly present in daily life.

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## China's Tianzhou-2 Cargo Spacecraft

