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Beijing Tops Global Science City Rankings

(Xinhuanet, September 19, 2020)

Beijing has once again become the top science city globally, followed by New York, Boston, the San Francisco-San Jose region, and Shanghai, according to the Nature Index global science city 2020 rankings. Besides Beijing and Shanghai, four other Chinese cities - Nanjing, Wuhan, Guangzhou, and Hefei - ranked among the top 20 global science cities, as measured by the Nature Index, which tracked the authorship of articles in 82 high-quality research journals. David Swinbanks, the founder of the Nature Index, said the concentration of talent, funding, research institutions, and other resources is crucial for the top five global science cities to maintain their leading positions. As China's sci-tech innovation hub, Beijing has formed a close collaboration network of scientific research with other Chinese and foreign cities, Swinbanks added.

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1. Policy

Rules on Handling Scientific Research Violations

(China Daily, September 02, 2020)

China's Ministry of Science and Technology has rolled out interim provisions specifying penalties for 64 types of scientific research violations. The provisions, which took effect on September 1, cover violations in six areas, including entrusted management institutions, research institutions, researchers, and consulting and review experts. Violations include deliberately exaggerating technical value, concealing technical risks, hiring ghostwriters and falsifying research data. The provisions propose various means of dealing with violations, such as the termination and cancellation of financial support, the recovery of illegal income, and the revocation of awards or honorary titles. The sci-tech ministry will impose stronger punishments for serious violations, and offenders will be publicly named, said Dai Guoqing, an official with the ministry, at a press conference on September 1.

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Global Initiative on Data Security

(China Daily, September 09, 2020)

China has not and will not ask its companies to transfer data overseas to the Chinese government in breach of other countries' laws, State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi said on September 8, calling for countries to uphold multilateralism to tackle data security issues. China has clear legal provisions for protecting data security and personal information, and its government has strictly complied with data security principles, Wang said at the International Seminar on Global Digital Governance in Beijing. In his address to the seminar, Wang proposed a Global Initiative on Data Security, encouraged the participation and support of countries and international organizations and called for "good ideas and suggestions from all sides".

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Deepening Reform on Innovation

(China Daily, September 14, 2020)

On September 11, Xi, told scientists at a symposium that China should deepen reforms to unleash the full potential of technological innovation. He also called for Chinese scientists to create original breakthroughs in basic research, train highly inquisitive and capable young talents, strengthen international cooperation, and make new innovations that can meet the needs of the nation and its people. Scientists said President Xi Jinping's speech on China's scientific development was deeply insightful, inspiring, and instructive. The Chinese scientific community will strive to push the development of basic sciences, train quality talents and create original breakthroughs and innovations to meet the nation's needs.



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2. Education

New Regulation on Naming Universities

(China Daily, September 01, 2020)

China's Ministry of Education has issued an interim regulation on the naming of higher education institutions. Institutions in principle should not be titled with words including "China," "national," "international" or other terms that are universally known as substitutes for the nation or the world, and words such as "North China," "East China," "Northeast China" and "Southwest China", which are referring to regions. Institutions for advanced education, established by provincial governments, can be titled with the province's name. Without authorization, the names should not include trademarks or names legally owned by other organizations or individuals. Translated Chinese names of foreign colleges and universities are also not allowed to be used. There should be an interval of at least ten years between name changes at the same level, read the regulation.

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School Year Starts with Strict COVID-19 Measures

(China Daily, September 01, 2020)

The Chengdu Education Bureau issued a notice, requiring schools to reopen in a staggered schedule amid intensive COVID-19 prevention and control measures. Students and staff should report their health conditions and are advised to avoid unnecessary traveling outside the province 14 days prior to the new semester. In Shanghai, over 1.5 million primary and secondary school students began school on September 1 while in Shenzhen, students in 2,628 kindergartens, primary and secondary schools also went back to school. "The biggest change this semester is that we no longer have to wear masks in class," cheered Gan Siqi, a second-grader at a junior high school in Liuyang city, Central China's Hunan province. "Though we still have to take body temperatures regularly, we're not as nervous as last semester."

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Increasing Number of Foreign Students in Beijing

(China Daily, September 05, 2020)

An increasing number of foreign students come to study in Beijing as the capital city continues to open up its education sector and optimize the academic environment. At present, nearly 110,000 foreign students are studying in Beijing, according to data released at a forum for the trade in international education services, part of the 2020 China International Fair for Trade in Services that opened on September 4. According to the forum, Beijing has become one of the major destinations for international students in the Asia-Pacific region. Meanwhile, Beijing has witnessed increasing international exchanges in education. The Chinese capital has nearly 2,700 schools that have established exchange relations with overseas partners, with more than 5,000 foreign teachers in its education system.

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54 Countries Have Mutual Recognition of Academic Degrees with China

(China Daily, September 05, 2020)

China has forged agreements with 54 countries on mutual recognition of qualifications and academic degrees in higher education, a Ministry of Education (MOE) official said on September 5. China has also established educational cooperation and exchange with 188 countries and regions and 46 international organizations, said Liu Jin, director of the Department of International Cooperation and Exchanges of the MOE. China is the world's largest source of international students, with about 1.4 million Chinese now studying abroad, Liu said at a forum of the ongoing 2020 China International Fair for Trade in Services in Beijing.



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3. Life Sciences / Health Care

New Bioprinting Method for Gastric Wounds

(China Daily, September 01, 2020)

Chinese researchers have designed a new way of treating gastric wounds by using a microrobot that can conduct in vivo bioprinting. Gastric wall injury is a common problem in the digestive tract, which often requires drug therapy or invasive surgery. Bioprinting, a way of delivering new cells directly to the wound site to repair the tissue, offers a potentially very useful way to treat the problem. Researchers from Tsinghua University put forward a new concept of "in situ in vivo bioprinting" and designed a microrobot that enters the body via an endoscope to carry out tissue repair.

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HK to Become Top Biotech Fund-raising Center

(China Daily, September 01, 2020)

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) Chief Executive Charles Li Xiaojia said on September 1 that Hong Kong may become the world's largest biotechnology fund-raising center in the next five to 10 years. Market capitalization was HK\$40.4 trillion (about US\$5.21 trillion) at the end of July 2020, up 26 percent from HK\$32.1 trillion for the same period last year. Li made the remarks at the HKEX Biotech Summit 2020 held online, noting that Hong Kong is now the world's second-largest biotech fund-raising center. Although the COVID-19 epidemic has brought unprecedented challenges to Hong Kong, its capital market has shown strong resilience and vitality.

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Two Covid-19 Vaccines Tested Under Emergency Scheme

(South China Morning Post, September 08, 2020)

Hundreds of thousands of Chinese have been given two experimental Covid-19 vaccines under an emergency scheme without a single case of infection. China National Biotech Group's two vaccines are still undergoing phase three trials for safety and efficacy in several countries, including the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Peru, Morocco, Argentina and Jordan. China's emergency vaccine scheme began in late July and allows high-risk groups – including health care workers, diplomats and people who work abroad – to receive vaccines that have not yet been approved by regulators. Three of the Chinese vaccines – including the two made by CNBG and one developed by Beijing based Sinovac – have been approved for emergency civilian use, while a fourth has been given the greenlight for use by the military.



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New Discovery of Coronavirus on Chilled Salmon

(South China Morning Post, September 08, 2020)

A team of Chinese researchers has found the coronavirus that causes Covid-19 can survive for more than a week on the surface of chilled fresh salmon, raising implications that it could be a source of international transmission. The experiment discovered that the virus remained infectious for eight days after being kept at a temperature of 4 degrees Celsius. The experiment also found that Sars-CoV-2, the official name for the virus, remained infectious on the salmon for two days at 25 degrees, which the researchers called "regular room temperature". Two of China's coronavirus outbreaks – the initial outbreak in Wuhan and a later spread in Beijing in June – have both been associated with wet markets that sold seafood.

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Rapid Progress Made in Developing Vaccine

(China Daily, September 17, 2020)

Research and development on COVID-19 vaccines in China is progressing rapidly, and they may be available for public use as early as November. Five of the nine COVID-19 vaccines that have entered phase 3 clinical trials globally are being developed in China, and they have produced satisfying trial results, said Wu Guizhen, chief biosafety expert at the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention. A vaccine usually has to complete three phases of trials before gaining market approval. None of the people who have received



candidate COVID-19 vaccines developed by China for emergency use have exhibited serious side effects or contracted the novel coronavirus.

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Preparation for 2nd Virus Wave

(China Daily, September 22, 2020)

Experts have reiterated the importance of staying highly alert for a possible second COVID-19 epidemic in China, since such outbreaks have been going on for weeks in some European countries. The China solution will be to ensure 100 percent medical quarantine for confirmed and suspected cases with full support of the public to control a possible second wave. The national expert team is being dispatched to various provinces and municipalities these days to examine and supervise local prevention and treatment efforts of infectious diseases, and thus cut off imported cases from any possible domestic links that could trigger a disease outbreak locally.



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Novel Model of Internet-based Healthcare Services

(China Daily, September 25, 2020)

Xian Janssen, a pharmaceutical subsidiary of healthcare group Johnson & Johnson, signed a memorandum of understanding with the First Affiliated Hospital of Xi'an Jiaotong University in Shaanxi province to establish a novel model of internet-based, patient-centric healthcare services in China. The partnership will create an e-hospital, the first of its kind collaboration between a multinational pharmaceutical company and a general, tertiary hospital in the country, according to the two partners. This e-hospital will provide convenient virtual health services for patients aiming to reduce doctor-patient communication cost and improving access to innovative medicines and health solutions. The services will first start with patients suffering from blood cancers, solid cancers, immunology, and pulmonary arterial hypertension.



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4. Engineering / IT / Computer Science

Self-driving Cars on 5G-covered Road

(Xinhuanet, September 03, 2020)

A 5G-covered road for testing self-driving cars was formally opened in Baohe District of Hefei City, east China's Anhui Province, welcoming the first batch of passengers. The 4.4-km-long ring road will be open to both self-driving vehicles and ordinary vehicles. Construction on the road started in August 2019 and since has achieved 5G network coverage, installed road conditions monitoring devices and built a cloud platform control center. Self-driving cars could realize intelligent driving on this road, and 5G technology has significantly improved the safety of vehicles' operation, according to the construction unit. Over a dozen Chinese cities, including Beijing, Shanghai and Shenzhen, have been approved to conduct road tests for self-driving vehicles.

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World's Largest Brain-like Computer

(South China Morning Post, September 03, 2020)

A group of scientists in China say they have created the world's largest brain-like computer by number of neurons. Darwin Mouse has 120 million artificial neurons and 100 billion synapses – equivalent to the brain of a mouse. The team responsible for the computer from Zhejiang University and Zhejiang Lab officially unveiled it on September 1. Darwin Mouse is said to run on 792 chips that host millions of artificial neurons needed to mimic nerve cells found in real brains. Neuromorphic computing is a nascent discipline in computer science. Neuromorphic literally means "taking the form of the brain." In this case, that means trying to get computers to imitate the fine-tuned physiological structure that allows us to process information by using neurons, synapses, neural circuits and more.



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500,000 5G Base Stations in 2020

(South China Morning Post, September 07, 2020)

China is well on the track to reach its goal of building 500,000 5G base stations this year with more than 480,000 – or 96 per cent of the annual target – already completed, as the world's second-largest economy doubles down on efforts to boost growth amid the coronavirus pandemic, including through 5G and data centres. There are about 100 million devices connected to 5G networks in mainland China, according to Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) director Wen Ku, who provided the updated numbers at a conference in Beijing. At the same event, MIIT minister Xiao Yaqing also said there were more than 60 million 5G users in the country.

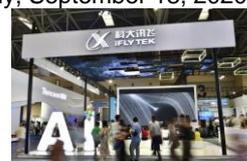
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Leading AI Industry Hub in Hefei

(China Daily, September 18, 2020)

A moderately prosperous society, or xiaokang, has more implications than just the increase of people's incomes. It also means people in such a society have access to more facilities and products that can make their lives happier and more convenient. Ling Yun, mayor of Hefei, capital of Anhui province, said development of the high-tech industry will be increasingly important in efforts to improve society there. As many resources have been put into the industry, Hefei is gradually becoming a hub for emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence. Hefei is home to iFlytek, the country's leading AI company that is best known for its voice recognition technology. To date, its open-access platform has served more than 1.42 million entrepreneurs and third-party developers who use the AI and speech recognition technologies to do business, according to the company.

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Growth Momentum in Industrial Internet of Things

(China Daily, September 21, 2020)

China is embracing new growth momentum in the industrial internet, as the country strives to gain a beachhead in the next generation of industrial development globally, the top industry regulator, government officials and experts said. The industrial internet, also known as the industrial internet of things, is a key sector for the country's new infrastructure construction. It refers to the broader adoption of advanced technologies such as next-generation wireless networks, big data, artificial intelligence and the internet of things. COSMOPlat, an industrial internet platform developed by home appliance giant Haier Group, is a large-scale customization platform that allows users to engage in many stages of the industrial process from design to sales. With 340 million users and 3.9 million ecosystem partners, the platform has emerged as one of the top industrial internet platforms in the world.

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5. Energy / Environment

Low-temperature Zinc-based Batteries

(Xinhuanet, September 02, 2020)

Chinese researchers have developed an aqueous electrolyte for zinc-based batteries that are capable of resisting low temperatures, said the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS). Aqueous zinc-based batteries are highly safe and cost-efficient with high energy density. They are expected to be widely used in portable electronic devices and large-scale energy storage fields. However, the low ionic conductivity of aqueous electrolytes at low temperatures makes it difficult for the batteries to operate normally. Developed by researchers from the Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics under the CAS, the new aqueous zinc-based electrolyte has a high ionic conductivity at low temperatures. It consists of water, ethylene glycol and zinc sulfate.

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Prioritizing Air Pollution Controls

(China Daily, September 08, 2020)

China will prioritize efforts to treat industrial pollution, replace small coal furnaces with clean energy and control emissions from diesel vehicles as part of intensified measures to tackle air pollution in key areas. The State Council passed the decision at its executive meeting, pledging to make air pollution control measures more targeted while taking full account of factors that worsen air quality in the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei region and neighboring areas. The meeting called for structural adjustments in energy, industries and transport, with measures to boost the clean use of coal and expedite the transformation of industries producing steel, coke, petrochemicals and construction materials. The shipment of commodities by railway and the use of new-energy cargo vehicles in urban delivery services will be significantly increased.



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Big Earth Data Project for Sustainable Development

(China Daily, September 15, 2020)

China's big Earth data project has been designated as a partner of a United Nations (UN) platform for sustainable development, the project's developer said. The project is among 24 partners, including international organizations and scientific research institutions such as the World Science Forum, the European Space Agency, and the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation. The project will be dedicated to boosting the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development with effective big Earth data technology. When the 74th session of the UN General Assembly took place in September 2019, China released four documents on its cooperation with the UN and its action and progress in climate change and sustainable development, one of which was titled "Big Earth Data in Support of the Sustainable Development Goals."

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Research Project on Ozone Pollution Launched

(China Daily, September 16, 2020)

China's leading academic institution for natural sciences announced that it has launched a special research project to solve the problems of how ozone pollution forms and how to control it. Ozone pollution is a form of air pollution characterized by high concentrations of ozone, a form of oxygen, at ground level. At present, global ozone concentration is on the rise, with an average annual increase of about one microgram per cubic meter. The ozone project, the academy's latest research effort, will provide scientific and technological support for the country to win the fight against serious air pollution.

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Sustainable Development with Water Facilities

(Global Times, September 23, 2020)

Chinese experts expressed their willingness to contribute to the sustainable development of Myanmar's water facilities at a recent online symposium. The event, supported by the Chinese Think Tank for Lancang-Mekong Water Resources Cooperation and organized by Tsinghua University, attracted representatives from international organizations. Both in 2016 and 2019, China released water reserved in dams upstream in the Lancang River despite the shortage of available water in Southwest China's Yunnan Province. The release helped alleviate the downstream drought and was widely applauded by the Mekong River Commission (MRC) and downstream countries.



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Carbon Neutral by 2060

(Global Times, September 24, 2020)

China's bold pledge to be carbon neutral by 2060, a goal far exceeding any climate action by the US, will see the country focus on renewables and revolve its economy around green growth, say Chinese environmentalists who are urging action plans to be set for low-carbon growth over the coming decades to reach a net zero carbon footprint. China aims to have CO2 emissions peak before 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality before 2060, Chinese President Xi Jinping said at the general debate of the 75th session of the UN General Assembly via video. This is the first time China has set a long-term goal for carbon emissions, which is expected to



strengthen the global response to climate change that has been crippled by the US' withdrawal from the Paris climate accord and the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Punishments for Destruction of Ecological Conservation Zones

(Global Times, September 25, 2020)

Beijing plans to establish punishments for the destruction of ecological conservation zones by area, with a maximum penalty of 5,000 yuan (\$733) per square meter, which experts said is a strict and practical regulation that could set an example and be promoted in more parts of China. The draft requests that measures be taken to protect the ecological environment when developing land and mineral resources in ecological conservation areas, and ecological restoration should be carried out in a timely manner if damage is caused, with violators facing fines if they fail to do so. The draft said punishments will be carried out according to "square meters," and a fine of more than 2,000 yuan and less than 5,000 yuan will be imposed per square meter.



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6. Physics / Chemistry / Material Science / Nano- & Micro Technology

First Private Satellite Factory in China

(China Daily, September 02, 2020)

Construction of China's first privately owned satellite plant began on September 1 in Tangshan, a coastal city in Hebei province, and is expected to start operation next year, according to its owner. The plant is in Tangshan's Lunan district and will become operational around the beginning of 2021. Its initial production capacity will be about 100 satellites with weights ranging from 50 to 500 kilograms, Commsat, a private satellite producer in Beijing, said in a statement on September 1. Commsat President Peng Yuanyuan said in the statement that the Tangshan plant will adopt pulse—line manufacturing and intelligence technologies to make satellites in a fast, cost—effective manner. The plant will not only manufacture satellites but also conduct research on space—based communication technologies and ground applications, she said.



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Space-based IoT Network by 2021

(China Daily, September 07, 2020)

China will see intensive satellite launches for the country's space-based Internet-of-Things (IoT) network in 2021, sources with the China Aerospace Science and Industry Corporation (CASIC) said. The CASIC is scheduled to launch 12 satellites of the Xingyun project, China's first low-Earth-orbit narrowband constellation for IoT operated by its subsidiary Xingyun Satellite Co. The company plans to send a total of 80 satellites into space to complete the three-stage network around 2023. The first stage of the project was completed after two satellites Xingyun-2 01 and 02 entered their orbits in May this year. The satellites utilize inter-satellite laser links, which enable them to communicate over long distances and hence upgrade the real-time performance of communication services. The second stage will see 12 satellites launched next year, further improving the project's global service capability.

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Largest Private Rocket to be Launched in 2021

(China Daily, September 10, 2020)

China's largest and most powerful private carrier rocket is scheduled to make its maiden flight next year, according to its developer. The ZQ 2 liquid-propellant, medium-lift rocket is now under development at LandSpace in Beijing, one of the leading private rocket makers in China, and several parts to be used on the rocket have been manufactured and delivered, according to a statement from LandSpace. By the end of August, two models of engines that will power the rocket had finished several rounds of ignition tests. According to the company, the 49.5-meter ZQ 2 will have a diameter of 3.35 meters—the same as those of most of China's Long

March-series rockets, and a liftoff weight of 216 metric tons. It will be propelled by LandSpace's TQ-12 methane rocket engine, the first of its kind in China.

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Mega Aerospace Cluster in Beijing

(Xinhuanet, September 19, 2020)

Beijing's Haidian district plans to build a hundred-billion-yuan (about 14.8 billion U.S. dollars) aerospace industry cluster in the northern region of the city's Zhongguancun Science City. With a total construction area of nearly 1 million square meters, the project will include three functional zones that focus on satellite internet innovation, Beidou satellite navigation, and space information services, as well as scenario applications. As one of the cradles of China's aerospace industry, the Zhongguancun Science City gathers more than half of the country's academics and experts, leading enterprises, and scientific research institutions in the field. The region has formed a whole industrial chain, covering satellite development and manufacturing, ground stations and terminal equipment, satellite telemetry, tracking and control, as well as satellite operations.

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New Satellite to Monitor Ocean Environment

(Xinhuanet, September 21, 2020)

China on September 21 sent a new ocean-monitoring satellite into orbit from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in northwest China. A Long March-4B rocket carrying the Haiyang-2C (HY-2C) satellite took off at 1:40 p.m. (Beijing Time), according to the launch center. The HY-2C, the country's third ocean dynamic environment satellite, can provide all-weather and round-the-clock observation of wave height, sea surface height, wind and temperature. Onboard equipment enables the new satellite to provide information on the identification of vessels, and to receive, store and transmit buoy measurement data in China's offshore and other marine areas. The planned satellite network will be capable of carrying out 80 percent of the world's sea surface wind monitoring within six hours, said sources with the China National Space Administration.

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Oppo Aims at IoT Future

(China Daily, September 24, 2020)

Oppo unveiled the latest update of its operating system ColorOS, which was developed on the basis of Google's Android operating system, as the Chinese tech company strengthens its push to offer a better software experience in the internet of things era. At the same time, the company, well-known for its smartphone products, also announced on its Oppo Developer Conference that it will launch its first smart TV product in October, as it is ramping up resources to build a vibrant IoT ecosystem. The company announced that it will devote resources worth 200 million yuan (\$29.32 million) to strengthening cooperation with third-party companies, such as home appliances maker Midea, to build a vibrant IoT ecosystem.



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7. Economy, Social Sciences & Humanities

Three New Free Trade Zones Launched

(Xinhuanet, September 24, 2020)

China officially opened three new pilot free trade zones (FTZs) and expanded one as it seeks greater opening-up and high-quality development. The three new FTZs are in Beijing and the provinces of Anhui and Hunan, increasing the total number of the country's FTZs to 21, while the expanded one is in the coastal province of Zhejiang. The launch came after the State Council issued a master plan to outline the priorities for the three new pilot FTZs, and adopted a plan to double the area of the pilot FTZ in Zhejiang. Experts believe that the new FTZs will further improve trade and investment liberalization and facilitation in China through a new round of system and mechanism reform and innovation.

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8. Corporates / Startups / Technology Transfer

Baidu to Raise US\$2 Billion For a Biotech Start-up

(South China Morning Post, September 10, 2020)

Chinese tech giant Baidu is in talks with investors to raise up to US\$2 billion over three years for a biotech start-up, which will use artificial intelligence (AI) technology to discover new drugs and diagnose diseases, a person with direct knowledge of the matter said. Baidu's plans come at a time of increased investment in the health care sector since the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, with many companies expanding into online diagnosis options to fill the gaps left by overstretched, overcrowded hospitals. The start-up under discussion plans to focus more on such areas as drug discovery and development, and early tumour diagnosis, by mobilising Baidu's powerful AI technology that can perform complex computing to produce biological innovations.



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Tech Company to Build City-level Intelligent Platform

(Xinhuanet, September 24, 2020)

Based on artificial intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT) technology, a Chinese tech company will build a city-level intelligent platform, serving areas such as communities, office buildings, supermarkets and parking lots. Dubbed "AI City," the platform will cover fields including energy, traffic, security, firefighting and retail, said Victor Ai, founder and CEO of Terminus Group, at a conference in Beijing on September 23. The company has unveiled its first pilot region, which has been under construction since April. It will have a total area of about 1.2 million square meters in southwest China's Chongqing Municipality. Designed by Danish architecture firm Bjarke Ingels Group, the pilot region features infrastructure such as an urban 5G system, robot-friendly zones, carbon-neutral communities, and roof gardens.

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9. Bilateral News

Sino-Swiss Book on Machine Manufacturing Technology

(swissnex China, September 11, 2020)

"Fundamentals of Machine Manufacturing Technology", co-authored by Professor Claudio R. Boër and Professor Liu Wangyu, is a basic professional textbook for undergraduates aiming at international talent cultivation on the basis of taking into account similar Chinese teaching materials and curriculum systems in China. This book can be used as the teaching materials of undergraduate or college, higher vocational college students, as well as the self-study reference books. Professor Claudio Boër is the vice president of the board of University of Applied Science in Southern Switzerland. He also serves as senior advisor to swissnex China. The book is the first of its kind in the field of engineering and it is also a good example of cooperation between China and Switzerland.



Vice Minister Attended Reception at Swiss Embassy in Beijing

(MFA, September 16, 2020)

On September 16, Vice Foreign Minister Qin Gang attends upon invitation the reception held by the Swiss Embassy in China to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the diplomatic relations between China and Switzerland. In his address, Qin Gang congratulated on the 70th anniversary of China-Switzerland diplomatic relations, expressed that the establishment of China-Switzerland diplomatic relations was a strategic decision made by the older generation of leaders of China and Switzerland with great foresight 70 years ago. Swiss Ambassador to China Bernardino Regazzoni said in his address that since the establishment of the diplomatic relations 70 years ago, China-Switzerland relations have become more and more mature. The two sides have close cooperation in diverse fields, and achieved fruitful results.

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