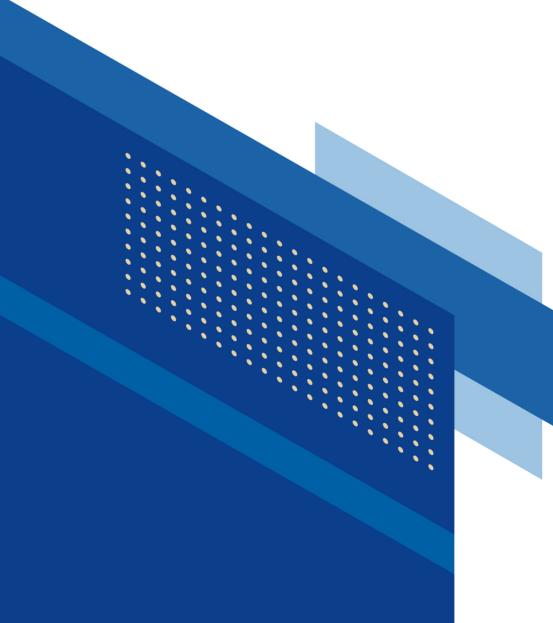


Hongqiao International Economic Forum (HQF)

虹桥国际经济论坛

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Our Vision

The Hongqiao International Economic Forum is dedicated to fostering open perspectives on global economic and social development and collaboration, advancing inclusive and shared prosperity.

The world today is undergoing profound transformation unseen in a century, amid which the trend of multi-polarity and economic globalisation is experiencing a sea change, and countries are becoming increasingly intertwined, interdependent and interconnected. Alongside this, theories and practices of openness continue to deepen and develop, bringing fresh perspectives, reflections, and discussions on imports and exports, unilateralism and multilateralism, as well as nearshoring and global collaboration.

The China International Import Expo (CIIE)—the world's first national-level expo dedicated to imports—was inaugurated in 2018. Since 2018, the Honggiao International Economic Forum (HQF) takes place annually in tandem with the CIIE, bringing together scholars, businesses, media, think tanks, international organizations, and governments to engage in dialogue and discussion. By bridging commercial practices with forward-thinking ideas, the CIIE and HQF synergize China's vast market with global opportunities, drive deeper economic cooperation, and accumulate positive momentum for global open development, cultivating more inclusive and forward-looking consensus.

Some of the Honored Guests



2010 Nobel laureate in Economics Christopher A. Pissarides



Sergio Mujica



Chairman, L'Oréal Group Jean-Paul AGON



Jean Tirole



Nobel laureate in Economics



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Our **Events**

The HQF features the main forum, parallel sessions, and closed-door meetings, among other events, facilitating diverse social interaction and networking opportunities.

| Main Forum

The main forum of the HQF, which serves as the opening ceremony of the CIIE and HQF, takes place on November 5 of each year in Shanghai, China. Heads of state from multiple countries provide global perspectives and engage in discussions on global economic governance. It has become an important stage for dialogue between nations and exchanges between nations and the international community. Over the past seven editions, 58 heads of state, government leaders, and chiefs of international organizations have delivered speeches at the main forum.









Parallel Sessions

In recent years, the HQF has centered on topics under Opening-up for Development, Opening-up for Cooperation, Opening-up for Innovation and Opening-up for Sharing. Focusing on hot topics and cutting-edge fields in global open development—such as industrial and supply chains, the Global South, artificial intelligence, green development, international standards, and silver economy—it hosts approximately 20 parallel sessions from November 5 to 10 of each year.



Global executives from Fortune 500, leading scholars including Nobel laureates and Turing Award recipients, chiefs of international organizations, and other distinguished figures gather at the forum. They share their creativity and insights on a global platform and deepen the collective understanding of open development worldwide, collaboratively exploring and shaping new drivers and competitive edges for global economic growth.





Closed-Door Meetings and Other Events

China serves as a pivotal engine for global economic growth, drawing significant attention to the discussions on global openness and development. The HQF prioritizes fostering robust government-business communication and in-depth industry exchanges. In recent years, it has concentrated on sectors such as pharmaceuticals, investment, and new energy vehicles, organizing diverse events including closed-door meetings and promotional activities. These initiatives aim to interpret and showcase Chinese modernization, discuss industry coopetition, and address specific challenges faced by enterprises, helping them better seize the opportunities in China and achieve more optimized development.





Social Interaction and Networking

Thousands of global leaders from government, business, academia, and media converge at the HQF, forming a dynamic hub for in-depth dialogue and investment-trade collaboration. To maximize engagement, we create a variety of networking scenarios, including CIIE & HQF GALA and tailored tours of the expo focusing on different themes, industries, and participant groups. These initiatives cater to a wide array of stakeholders, providing businesses with a more accessible, comprehensive, and professional platform to explore investment opportunities in China and drive cross-border industry collaboration.





Our Viewpoints

World Openness Report

The world is at a crossroads. Should we move forward or backward? Should we open up or close our doors? Should we stay together to go through hard times or adopt a *beggar thy neighbor* policy? How to solve these questions is related to the real interest of each country, the common well-being of the world, and the future of the mankind.

Since the fourth edition in 2021, the HQF annually releases its flagship report, the World Openness Report, and the pioneering "World Openness Index." These publications provide a panoramic analysis of global openness trends, scientifically measuring the openness of 129 economies since 2008. By showcasing the progress and regressions in national openness, they consolidate a global consensus on openness and offer forward-looking policy recommendations, contributing to the advancement of economic globalization and the construction of an open world economy.

"The World Openness Report should become a standard reference for anyone interested in economic development and international economic relations. The World Openness Index fills in a significant gap in the field of global openness research."

-Christopher A. Pissarides, Nobel Laureate in Economics





World Openness Report 2024

A Selection of Other Specialized Reports

UNIDO Bridge For Cities Innovation Compendium "Accelerating Climate Action through Urban Innovation"





Exporting to China-Opportunities for Developing

Countries in the Belt and Road Initiative



The Role of China's Pilot Free Trade Zones in Promoting Institutional Innovation, Industrial Transformation and South-South Cooperation





Our Members & Partners

The HQF has established a membership system and partnership mechanism, inviting globally renowned enterprises, think tanks and media outlets to join. We provide members and partners with a platform for collaborative exchange and constructive interaction, working together to advance global openness.

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