Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility

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Host:

Huang Yongdong Host of CCTV-2

Speeches:

Zhang Yunming Vice Minister of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of

the People's Republic of China

Zhang Wei Vice Mayor of Shanghai

Keynote Presentation:

Li Yizhong President, China Federation of Industrial Economics

Liu Meng Head, China Office, United Nations Global Compact

Huang Qunhui Director-General, Institute of Economics,

Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS)

An Xiaopeng Vice President, AliResearch

Keynote Speech:

Lei Ping Vice President, Member of the CPC Standing Committee of China FAW Group

Co., Ltd.

Mike Henry CEO, BHP Billiton

Mark Tucker Group Chairman, HSBC Holdings plc.

Zheng Yang Chairman, Board of Directors, Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd.

David Ji Vice President, Rotating Chair of China Design Center, AMD

[Brief Introduction]

To guide entities in the industry and information technology sector to better fulfill their corporate social responsibilities, promote the sustainable development of industry chains and advance the steady operation and high-quality development of the sector, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China worked together with the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China to host the 5th Hongqiao International Economic Forum's Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility at the National Exhibition and Convention Center (Shanghai) on the morning of November 5, 2022. The Parallel Session, moderated by Huang Yongdong, Host of CCTV-2, and attended by government officials, experts, scholars and enterprise representatives from both at home and abroad, looked back at the practices and achievements over recent years in fulfilling their corporate social responsibilities and promoting sustainable development of the industry and information technology sector by enterprises operating in China, discussed the approaches and methods of advancing the sustainable development of industry chains and supply chains, and reaffirmed their commitment to building a sustainable future for the business world through concerted efforts. Mainstream media agencies, including Xinhua News, China Central Television, China National Radio, Guangming Daily, Workers' Daily, China Youth Daily and China Industry News, gave live coverage of the high-profile industry event.



[Speeches]



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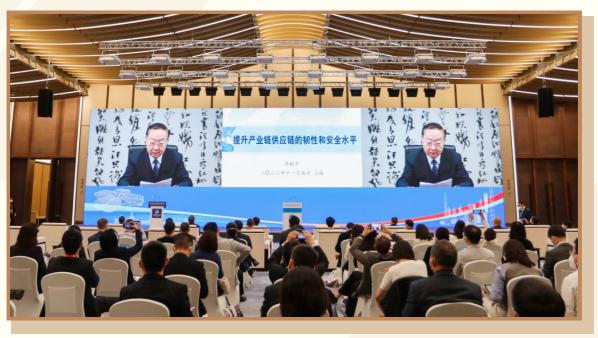
Zhang Yunming, Vice Minister of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China, pointed out that as the world is moving into a turbulent and transforming period, unprecedented challenges are cropping up to global industry chains and supply chains, and to maintain their smooth, steady and reliable operation is not only a critical precondition for sustainable development but also an important content and an integral component of corporate social responsibility under the new circumstances. China is willing to work together with governments and enterprises of all countries in grasping new opportunities amid the ongoing technological revolution and industry transformation to advance the green and low-carbon development of global industry chains and supply chains, enhance their resilience and stability, and foster new impetuses for sustaining their growth, making them more reliable, smooth, efficient, inclusive and mutually beneficial to all parties through concerted efforts and contribute more to the global growth and the welfare of all peoples. It is China's sincere hope that all parties strengthen their communications and exchanges, build their consensus and work together to build up more secure, robust and unblocked global industry chains and supply chains.



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Zhang Wei, Vice Mayor of Shanghai, pointed out that over the recent years, Shanghai has focused on developing the three leading industries: Integrated Circuit, Biomedical and Artificial Intelligence and the six high-end industries: Electronic Information, Life & Health, Automobile, Advanced Equipment, Alternative Materials and Fashion Consumption, and made encouraging achievements. In future, the Party Committee and People's Government of Shanghai Municipality will thoroughly implement the guiding principles of the 20th CPC National Congress and make further efforts to promote the sustainable development of industry chains and supply chains by adopting a three-pronged approach: 1. to serve national strategies, give full play to the mechanism of "Active government and focused push" plus "Players granted the leading role and the Fittest selected through competition" and implement projects for upgrading foundational infrastructure in key industries and programs for seeking breakthroughs in key technology and equipment; 2. to widen the leading edge via innovation, enhance the capability in driving technological innovation and establish innovation consortia by integrating key general-purpose technologies so as to foster new growth areas and the growth drivers in key industries and advanced manufacturing; and 3. to promote further opening-up and cooperation and support enterprises in actively participating in global and regional economic cooperation and fulfilling their due responsibilities in promoting economic and social development.

[Keynote Presentation]



Li Yizhong, President, China Federation of Industrial Economics, attended via video link the Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility in Shanghai and giving a keynote presentation.

Focusing on the topic: Improving the resilience and security of industrial chains and supply chains, Li Yizhong, President, China Federation of Industrial Economics, asserted that the understanding of the connotation of industrial chains and supply chains should be deepened, new challenges and tasks for industrial chains and supply chains amid global upheavals and domestic dynamics as China is moving into a new stage should be actively responded to, and the resilience and security of industrial chains and supply chains should be enhanced. As a result, enterprises should not only forge and strengthen the whole systems of industrial chains and supply chains but also should make more effort to make them green, low-carbon and digitalized so as to ensure their security and stability and enhance their strength and resilience, which is a new corporate social responsibility for all enterprises in the context of drastic social changes and in a new stage of economic growth.

Mr. Li Yizhong also released the 2022 Sustainable Development Report of China's Industry and Information Technology Sector and the 2022 Green and Low-carbon Development Report of China's Industry and Information Technology Sector during his keynote presentation.



Liu Meng, Head, China Office, United Nations Global Compact, attended the Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility in Shanghai and giving a keynote presentation.

Liu Meng, Head, China Office, United Nations Global Compact, said that the sustainability and green development of the BRI are of great significance to the security and sustainability of global industrial chains, and thus to support BRI infrastructure developers to achieve their sustainable development, and, in turn, to promote the sustainable development of people's livelihood, economy and society in all countries, is among the top priorities for the UN Global Compact. It makes its contributions in eight major infrastructure areas: construction, finance, digital & information, healthcare, energy, transportation, food & agriculture and manufacturing, and works to deliver on its stated goals through five approaches: providing insightful guidance, helping private-sector entities develop their capabilities, facilitating policy dialogues, strengthening consultation and cooperation with key stakeholders, and implementing specific partnership programs on sustainable development.



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At the event, Huang Qunhui, Director-General, Institute of Economics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), gave a keynote presentation themed Practicing the New Concept of Development and the Global Development Initiative through ESG Investment. He pointed out that ESG in and of itself is part of the practice in fulfilling the New Concept of Development and the Global Development Initiative and also the general direction of high-quality development for enterprises. In the big picture, high-quality development is widely recognized to be achieved by shifting from an innovation-driven mode of development to the consumption-driven one, and ESG investment exactly can be able to translate effective investments at the macro level into corporate actions at the micro level. In general, ESG investment is effectively channeled into four main fields: emerging or industrialized infrastructure, urbanized high-quality infrastructure, regional development and fast-growing advanced manufacturing, and these fields are also exactly the actual directions in implementing the new concept of development and the global development initiative.



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Centered on the topic: to achieve accurate supply-demand matching amid uncertainties with supply chains by applying digital technology, An Xiaopeng, Vice President, AliResearch, gave a keynote presentation at the event. He said that as conventional value-chain-featured industry systems are transforming into modern networked ones, customer-oriented complex ecological networks of diverse players, including dealers, makers, designers, suppliers, distributors, brands and advertisers, are taking shape in the process. As the crux to strengthening the resilience of these supply chains is to eliminate or mitigate the uncertainty with them, digitization is exactly becoming an important approach to serving the purpose. For instance, despite being different in their forms of business, Freshippo and Cainiao Network are essentially doing the same thing: the end-to-end digitization from scratch, namely, to recreate the mode of accurately matching demand and supply to ensure the accuracy, stability and reliability of their supply chains.

[Keynote Speeches]



Lei Ping, Vice President, Member of the CPC Standing Committee of China FAW Group Co., Ltd., attended the Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility in Shanghai and delivering a keynote speech.

From three aspects: the drastic changes in the industry, FAW Group's achievements in its transformation and development and the building-up of industry chains for sustainable development, Lei Ping, Vice President, Member of the CPC Standing Committee of China FAW Group Co., Ltd., articulated the goal and blueprint of his organization: to work with all partners from all countries on building sustainable industry chains and striving to build up a new landscape conducive to transformations and sustainable development for China's automobile industry in the new era. Amid new opportunities and new challenges, FAW Group will bravely fulfill its political, economic and social responsibilities as a central enterprise, reforge its industry chains into ones with higher creativity, profitability, security, reliability and sustainability, and strive to build up a new landscape conducive to transformations and sustainable development for China's automobile industry in the new era.



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Mike Henry, CEO, BHP Billiton, said that to respond to the challenges posed by climate change, greenhouse gas emissions should be reduced, which is a social responsibility that can't be fulfilled without coordinated and joint efforts from all the companies across the globe. In recent decades, China has made remarkable achievements in economic growth and has also played an important and ever-growing role in developing the global economy. Now, BHP Billiton is working with various Chinese partners to promote the whole steel production process to transform itself into a green and low-carbon development mode. He further added that the whole world needs China to exert its important leadership and provide and sustain a strong boost to green and sustainable development.



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Mark Tucker, Group Chairman, HSBC Holdings plc, said that the ongoing COVID-19 epidemic further highlights the interconnectedness of the global economy and the possible social, economic and geopolitical impacts of supply chain disruptions, which have put up more daunting challenges and have had more far-reaching implications than the recent redeployment and decarburization of supply chains did. With its stated long-term goal of supporting the net-zero transition, HSBC will actively respond to, as it has always done, the shared desire of more and more enterprises to forge more robust and sustainable supply chains, and help them more effectively rise to challenges, enhance the flexibility of their supply chains and strengthen their sustainable development capabilities.



Zheng Yang, Chairman, Board of Directors, Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd., attended the Parallel Session on Advancing Supply Chain Sustainability through Cooperation on Corporate Social Responsibility in Shanghai and delivering a keynote speech.

In his keynote speech themed Approaches of the Financial Sector to Contributing to the Sustainable Development of Industrial Chains, Zheng Yang, Chairman, Board of Directors, Shanghai Pudong Development Bank Co., Ltd., shared his insights: first, we should adapt to new development dynamics and contribute to the building of secure and unblocked industry chains by strengthening financial service chains, which means that we should take advantage of the opportunities from the ongoing higher-standard openingup to facilitate the further integration of domestic and international industrial chains while ensuring the smooth and reliable operation of the industry chains in an expanding domestic demand market; second, we should move at the higher level of seeking highquality development to enhance the stability, resilience and sustainability of industry chains, which means that we should enhance the inclusiveness of financial services so as to serve every link and every player along whole industry chains, the adaptation of financial services so as to stay relevant to the industry chain upgrading, and the social value deliverability of financial institutions so as to facilitate the sustainable development of industry chains; and third, we should help enhance the resilience of industry chains by prioritizing the real economy.



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David Ji, Vice President, Rotating Chair of China Design Center, AMD, gave a concise briefing on his Group's actions and constructive effects in promoting the sustainable development of industry chains and supply chains and expounded on the approaches and ways of having their pro-environmental initiatives go beyond their business operations, supply chains and product lines. Now, AMD has actively worked on its four strategic priorities and conducted a regular assessment of their developments: Impacts from going digitized; Responsibilities for supply chains; Diversity, sense of belonging & inclusiveness; and environmental sustainability. Mr. David Ji added that AMD aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in its operational process by at least 50% by 2030.



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2022 Sustainable Development Report of China's Industry and Information Technology

Centered on the UN Sustainable Development Goals and in the light of the key tasks for the industry, this Report makes a detailed and systematical examination of the industry goals, actions, innovative practices and distinctive regional practices in pursuing sustainable development, demonstrates significant achievements made in the industry over the past year, showcases specific practices and actual performance of the industry and enterprises actively responding to everchanging domestic and international situations, faithfully implementing the national double-carbon strategy and promoting common prosperity, and shares the best practice and efforts of the industry in pursuing.



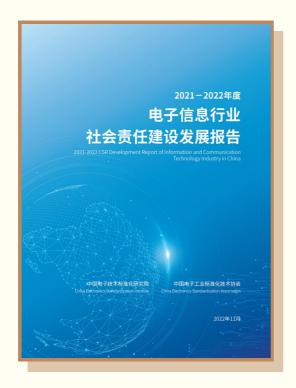
2022 Green and Low-carbon Development Report of China's Industry and Information Technology

Focusing on the push for green and low-carbon development at various levels of the globe, the nation, the industry and the enterprise and in the light of five stated goals: Improving Supporting Systems for Green Manufacturing, Promoting the Intensive Development of Industry Clusters, Accelerating the Transition to Green and Low-carbon Energy Mixes, Promoting Green Development Through Tech Innovation and Advancing Green and Coordinated Sustainable Development as set forth in the 14th Five-Year Plan for Green Industry Development, this Report gives a detailed and systematical examination and summing-up of specific initiatives and measures to advance the industry shift to a green and low-carbon development paradigm, and demonstrates the actions, efforts and achievements of the industry in proactively responding to challenges, seeking innovation-driven development and rising to opportunities.



2021-2022 Report on Corporate Social Responsibility of China's Textile and Apparel Industry

This Report, the fifteenth annual update of its 2006 release by China National Textile and Apparel Council, extends the most long-term practice in disclosing CSR information by unincorporated public entities. It looks at the latest developments in the textile and apparel industry, analyzes their effects on CSR performance by the industry over the past year in China, showcases the rich best practices and major achievements in fulfilling corporate social responsibilities and promoting sustainable social development by the industry, and articulates the plan for further advancing the corporate social responsibility cause by the industry.



2021-2022 CSR Development Report of the Information and Communication Technology Industry in China

This Report is prepared based on the data gleaned from the 2021-2022 Corporate Social Responsibility Governance Self-Declaration and Evaluation and in light of prevalent CSR issues, problems and improvement recommendations. In accordance with relevant standards and norms, including Guidance on Social Responsibility Reporting (GB/T 36001-2015), Guidance on Social Responsibility of Information and Communication Technology Industry (SJ/T 16000-2016) and Evaluation Index System on Social Responsibility Governance Level of Information and Communication Technology Industry (T/CESA 16003-2021), the industry-wide exercise conducted a comprehensive review and evaluation of 248 domestic and foreign entities in the industry in 10 main dimensions: such as CSR governance, tech innovation & application and employees' rights, made an in-depth analysis of the current status, dynamics and characteristics of the CSR performance in the industry, identified main constraints and challenges in practicing corporate social responsibilities, helping up/downstream entities survive and grow, tackling key problems through coordinated efforts and proactively responding to environmental, social, economic and other concerns amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and uncertainties in the global economic recovery, and explored effective and targeted solutions to ensuring the smooth operation of industry chains and supply chains and promoting the steady development of the industry.