





## CHINA POLICY & BUSINESS WEBINAR

DATE APRIL 21, 2021 (WEDNESDAY)
TIME 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ET



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#### **AGENDA**

#### Speakers:

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#### Agenda:

2:00pm Program Begins

2:45pm Program Ends / Q&A Begins

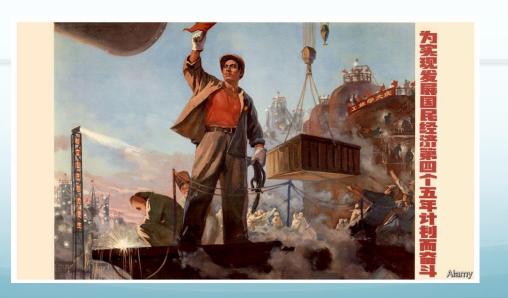
3:00pm Virtual Networking Begins (3-4 people each x 7 minutes/room x 4 cycles)

3:30pm Networking Ends

# China – The Next Five Years

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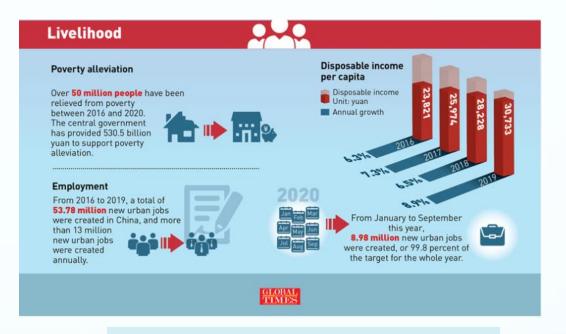
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### China's 5 Year Plan

#### What is a 5-year plan?

- Started in 1953 with industrialization
- 2021 is the 14<sup>th</sup> plan
- Sets nation wide targets
- Strategy for what initiatives and investment the govt will make to accomplish what goals
- has set GDP growth goals (last period was 6.5%)



## The 5-year plan that just ended: 2016-2020

- Building a moderately prosperous society
- Belt & Road Initiative
- Tech innovation
- Eliminate extreme poverty

### China's Current 5 Year Plan

- What is in the 5-year plan for 2021?
  - Increased internationalization of the RMB (CNY/ CNH) and development of an e-currency
  - Increased domestic demand, called "dual circulation"
  - Focus on high tech, local innovation, reducing emissions
  - Key technologies; Al, chips & circuits, Life & Health Science and Aerospace
  - Improve Health Care; elder care, mental health, health system management, moving to more self funded health & retirement
  - Increase self reliance of key resources (reduce reliance on imported energy and food resources)
  - GDP growth of 4% a year
- Transitioning from a "high speed" to a "high quality" growth model

# China's Five Year Plan and Your Business

What products and services will see increased demand?

- Innovative medical devices and systems
- High tech manufacturing equipment / software
  - All things Al, Blockchain, etc.
- More access to financial markets banking, lending, retirement, insurance, etc.
- Rural development means infrastructure; farming technology to improve food safety & increase domestic food supply
  - More opportunity to provide professional services



# China's 14th Five-Year Plan and 2035

John L. Holden – Senior Director & China Practice Lead, McLarty Associates 4/21/21

#### **China's Milestones**

2021: 100th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP)

• GDP doubled from 2010



2035: Midpoint to 2049

Basically realize socialist modernization



2049: 100th anniversary of the establishment of the People's Republic of China

 China to become a 'strong, democratic, civilized, harmonious, and modern socialist country'



#### Selected 2035 Targets (1)

- Economic strength, scientific and technological strength, and overall national strength will sharply rise
  - The total economic output and the per capita income of urban and rural residents will reach a new level
  - China will achieve major breakthroughs in key core technologies and enter the forefront of innovative countries.
- Basically realize the modernization of the national governance system and governance capabilities
  - Fully guarantee people's equal participation and equal development rights
  - Basically build a country ruled by law, a government ruled by law, and a society ruled by law.



#### Selected 2035 Goals (2)

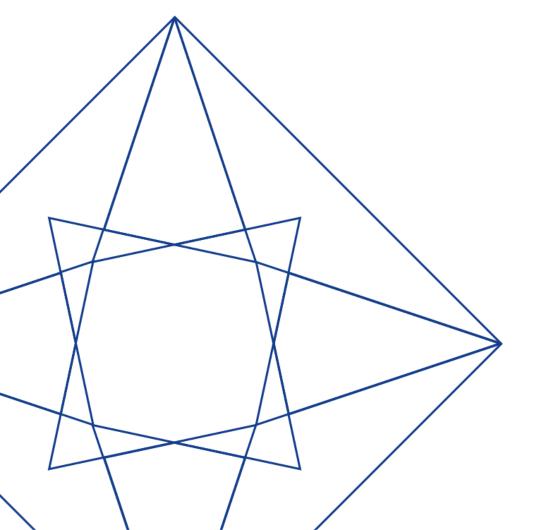
- A new pattern of opening up will be formed, and new advantages in participating in international economic cooperation and competition will be significantly enhanced.
- Per capita GDP will reach the level of moderately developed countries
  - The middle-income group will have expanded significantly, basic public services will be equalized, and the gap between urban and rural regional development and the gap in the living standards of residents will be significantly reduced.
- The construction of a Peaceful China will have reached a higher level, basically realizing the modernization of national defense and military.



#### **US-China: Competitive Interdependence**

- "Dual Circulation" is not just for China
- Tech competition + national security = selective decoupling
- Global finance: what is Wall Street's role?
- "China for China"
- Where does trade benefit the American worker?
- Ryan Hass, <u>Stronger: Adapting America's China Strategy in an</u> <u>Age of Competitive Interdependence</u>







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# CHINA POLICY AND BUSINESS WEBINAR



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#### OUTLINE

- 1. Existing Chinese Law on Foreign Investment
- 2. How FYPs Impact China's Foreign Investment Law and Policies
- 3. Challenges for Investment/Trade with China under the U.S. Law
- 4. Outlook

## 1. EXISTING CHINESE LAW ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT

- March 15, 2019: "Foreign Investment Law"
- December 31, 2019: "Regulations for the Implementation of the Foreign Investment Law of the People's Republic of China"
- January 1, 2020: "Foreign Investment Law" and "Foreign Investment Law Implementation Regulations" formally come into effect

#### KEY POINTS ON THE CHINESE FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAW

- Market access:
  - Emphasize the national treatment and negative list management system
- Foreign investment security review system
  - Foreign investment promotion measures
  - Foreign investment protection measures
  - Intellectual property protection measures
- Corporate management: Reshape the foreign investment supervision system

# 2. HOW FYPS IMPACT CHINA'S FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAW AND POLICIES

- FYP calls for the promotion of the domestic and international double circulation from the two aspects of "promoting the coordinated development of import and export" and "improving the level of international two-way investment"
- March 1, 2021: The Ministry of Commerce issued the "Notice on Doing a Good Job in Stabilizing Foreign Investment Focusing on Building a New Development Pattern"
  - Twenty-two specific measures have been put forward from five aspects to arrange the work of stabilizing foreign investment this year.

#### REPRESENTATIVE SPECIFIC MEASURES

- In-depth implementation of the pre-access national treatment plus negative list management system.
- Implement the "Catalogue of Industries Encouraging Foreign Investment (2020 Edition)".
- Formulate the "Fourteenth Five-Year Plan for Utilization of Foreign Capital".
- Promote the acceleration of the implementation and construction of key foreign-funded projects.
- Develop a negative list of cross-border service trade in pilot free trade zones.
- Promote lowering of the policy threshold for foreignfunded R&D centers and guide foreign businessmen to increase investment in technological innovation in China.
- Actively attract strategic investment.

# 3. CHALLENGES FOR INVESTMENT/TRADE WITH CHINA UNDER THE U.S. LAW

Import: Tariffs

Export: Export Control and Sanctions

 Investment: The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS)

#### 4. OUTLOOK

- Although Sino-US relations are strained, there still exists opportunities with great potential for foreign investment or trade with China
- China's foreign investment management system has entered a long-term reform and will gradually expand its opening up. Companies should pay attention to the FYP, the "Fourteenth Five-Year Plan for Utilization of Foreign Capital", "Negative List" and "Encouraged Industry Directory" as they develop their strategy plan
- Watch out for legal pitfalls, particularly in the area of CFIUS, export control and sanctions
- Hassel may be necessary to seize those opportunities. Consider strategies to minimize risks

### THANK YOU!



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### NETWORKING ICEBREAKING QUESTIONS

- What is the best thing you have done in 2020?
- Have you been to China? What is your favorite city in China or in the world?
- Do you interested in doing business in China, and why?
- Name 1 Chinese food and 1 Non-Chinese food you like best.







