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EU-Africa-China: Building Partnerships

Bonn, 29 September - 1 October 2008

The EU has announced a "strategic partnership" with China, including issues of global development. Within the EU, Germany is particularly interested in global cooperation with China. The Heiligendamm process determines joint responsibilities for development, especially for Africa, both for G8 and important emerging countries such as China.

The EU is still the largest cooperation partner to Sub-Sahara Africa. But China – even though not a new partner to African states – has geared up its presence in Africa with booming direct investments and an active official cooperation policy.

But the crucial factor for Africa's successful development is African commitment itself.

- How do African actors perceive the cooperation partners?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses of European and Chinese development strategies?

Yet, uncertainties remain also with regard to the Chinese and European agenda:

- What are the principles of the respective cooperation with Africa?
- What are the players' practices in specific sectors?
- Where are the points of entry for trilateral cooperation between Europe, Africa and China?

The workshop invites all participants to an open and constructive debate on their engagement for Africa's development, on their experiences and perceptions. It is continuing a dialogue between Chinese and German/European officials and academics that took place in Brussels and Beijing in 2006 and 2007. This discussion round in Bonn will include African research partners and policy-makers.

EU-Africa-China: Building Partnerships (Public Event)

Monday 29 September 2008; Venue: KfW Bonn, Ludwig-Ehrhard-Platz 1, 53179 Bonn

4:00pm – 4:10pm **Welcoming Greetings**

Bruno Wenn, Senior Vice President (KfW)

4:10pm – 4:30pm **Opening Remarks**

Armin Laschet, Minister for Generations, Family, Women and Integration of the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia

4:30pm – 4:50pm **Comments**

African and Chinese researchers on key points in the future cooperation

Yang Guang, Director-general of the Institute for West Asian and African Studies at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (IWAAS/CASS)

and

Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, National Director of the South African Institute for International Affairs (SAIIA)

4:50pm-6:00pm **Question & Answers by Audience**

Closing Remarks

Frank Spengler, Deputy Head of International Cooperation of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS)

6:00pm-8:00pm **Reception at KfW Bonn**

EU-Africa-China: Building Partnerships - Conference (Day 1)

Tuesday 30 September 2008; **Venue:** German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Tulpenfeld 6, 53113 Bonn

- 9:00am **Welcome** by Hosts:
Dirk Messner (DIE), Frank Spengler (KAS), Bruno Wenn (KfW)
- 9:30am – 10:15am **1st Panel: Defining the Actors in Cooperation**
Chair: Stefan Friedrich (KAS)
- *Unpacking who we mean by China, Africa, and Europe. Who acts on the Chinese and European side: state agencies, private companies, individuals/NGOs, the EU and its member states?*
 - *Who are key partners in Africa: bilateral partners, sub-regional and continental multilateral organisations (RECs, African Union, NEPAD) and civil society, private sector?*
 - *Which sectors are areas of activities in cooperation?*
 - *What principles underlie their respective cooperation with Africa – and what are the players' practices in specific sectors?*
 - *With whom do they engage on issues of ownership (government and/or the nation, including civil society? What role for regional entities?)*
- China:** **Yang Guang**, Director-general of the Institute for West Asian and African Studies (IWAAS/CASS)
- Africa:** **Kojo Asante**, Head of Governance and Legal Policy, Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana)
- Europe:** **Uwe Wissenbach**, European Commission, Directorate-General Development
- 10:15am – 10:40am **Discussants**
- China:** **Zhang Yongpeng**, Deputy-director of International Relation Studies (IWAAS/CASS)
- Africa:** **Elizabeth Sidiropoulos**, national director of the South African Institute for International Affairs (SAIIA)
- Europe:** **Sven Grimm**, Researcher at the German Development Institute (DIE)
- 10:40am – 11:00am **Coffee Break**
- 11:00am – 12:30pm **Open Discussion**
- 12:30pm – 2:30pm **Lunch at ded-Restaurant, Tulpenfeld 8, 53113 Bonn**

2:30pm – 3:15pm

2nd Panel: Economic Cooperation

Chair: Thomas Fues (DIE)

- *How to shape economic cooperation so that such cooperation gain broad social and political support?*
- *Economic cooperation and partnership. How to foster viable markets? Which experiences with trade regimes?*
- *Infrastructure as a sector of engagement for both Europe and China.*
- *Building economically, socially and politically sustainable interactions (EITI, other initiatives?)*
- *Establishing a common strategy and using existing frameworks to create sustainable development.*

China: Zhao Changhui, Chief of the Department of Risk Analysis, Eximbank

Africa: Tsidiso Disenyana, Deputy Project Head, Development through Trade programme (SALLA)

Europe: Bruno Wenn, Senior Vice President (KfW)

3:15pm – 3:40pm

Discussants

China: Yao Guimei, Deputy-director of African Studies (IWAAS/CASS)

Europe: Michael Gahler, Member of the European Parliament (MEP), Vice-President of the Committee for Foreign Affairs

3:40pm – 4:00pm

Coffee Break

4:00pm – 5:30pm

Open Discussion

8:00pm

Dinner at the Restaurant “Em Höttche”, Marktplatz 4, 53111 Bonn

EU-Africa China: Building Partnerships - Conference (Day 2)

Wednesday 1 October 2008; **Venue:** DIE, Tulpenfeld 6, 53113 Bonn

9:00am – 9:45am	<p>3rd Panel: Partnerships for Common Challenges: How to Adapt to Climate Change and Scarce Resources?</p> <p>Chair: Christoph Kessler (KfW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <i>Adapting to climate change – with impact on security, actions against desertification, food security, energy security.</i>– <i>Where are these topics discussed in Africa? Who are relevant partners?</i> <p>China: He Wenping, Director of African Studies (IWAAS/CASS)</p> <p>Africa: Wilson Kipkore, Head of Environmental Security Programme, Institute for Security Studies (ISS)</p> <p>Europe: Uwe Wissenbach, European Commission, Directorate-General Development</p>
9:45am – 10:15am	<p>Discussants</p> <p>Africa: Romy Chevallier, Researcher at the South African Institute for International Affairs (SAIIA)</p> <p>Europe: Imme Scholz, Head of Department on Environmental Policy and Management of Natural Resources (DIE)</p>
10:15am – 10:40am	Coffee break
10:40am – 12:00am	Open Discussion
12:00pm – 12:30pm	<p>Summary and closing remarks</p> <p>Hardy Ostry, Head of Department, Africa and Middle-East (KAS)</p> <p>Dirk Messner, Director of the German Development Institute (DIE)</p>
12:30pm	Lunch at ded-Restaurant, Tulpenfeld 8, 53113 Bonn