



SHANGHAI, CHINA
22-24 MAY 2017



The 2017 WORLD FORUM for Foreign Direct Investment

MONDAY 22ND MAY PRECONFERENCE DAY

6:30PM – 9:30 PM Welcome Reception & Dinner
- Slovenian Wine Night



TUESDAY 23RD MAY CONFERENCE DAY ONE

8:00AM Registration & Breakfast



8:45AM Welcome & Opening Remarks

9:00AM **Panel I - The Next 25 Years**

The last quarter century has seen breathtaking change in the global economy, backed by unprecedented technological advancements and international cooperation. What will the next 25 years bring, and how will we balance industrial growth with sustainable development?

KEYNOTE **Fred Pearce**
Speaker/Writer/Award Winning Journalist
on Popular Science CONFIRMED

MODERATOR **Scott Pollack**
Executive Vice President,
Thoughtful Media Group, Inc. CONFIRMED

PANEL **Fred Pearce** CONFIRMED
Alysia Silberg
Co-Founder/COO/Director of Innovation, **Acceleforce** CONFIRMED

Robert Whyte
Global Specialist of Investment Promotion,
World Bank Group CONFIRMED

Louis Lu
Senior GM of Industrial Development,
China Fortune Land Development CONFIRMED

10:30AM **Networking Break**

11:00AM **Panel II - Navigating Global Disruption: Cybersecurity & Supply Chain**

Securing data and protecting intellectual property has never been more important or more challenging, and protecting global supply chains and investing in industries like agriculture and biotech are vital to our futures. How will companies and governments address these issues so critical to economies across the world?

MODERATOR **Mike Chinoy**
Senior Fellow at the US-China Institute,
University of Southern California CONFIRMED

PANEL **Mercy Kuo**
President, **Washington State China Relations Council** CONFIRMED

Gustavo Lopez Ghory
Vice President Product Supply & Global Manufacturing,
Procter & Gamble INVITED

Jim Serstad
Principal/Managing Director Asia,
Tompkins International CONFIRMED

Justin Smith
Chief Security Officer, **Pivotal Software** CONFIRMED

12:00PM **Panel III - One Belt, One Road**



The new Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st-century Maritime Silk Road could have a massive impact on global trade and investment. A panel of experts will give their predictions on how this might change the world.

MODERATOR **Mike Chinoy** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Mary Boyd**
Director, **Economist Corporate Network,**
Shanghai, EIU CONFIRMED

Michael Ng
Cofounder & CEO, **DataGrid International** CONFIRMED





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Tariq Ahmed Nizami
Founder & CEO, **CEO Clubs Network** CONFIRMED

Zheng Shengfa
Vice General Manager,
Zhejiang Plante Electric Vehicle Co., Ltd CONFIRMED

1:00PM Lunch



2:30PM Panel IV - Rise of the Robots

Robots and artificial intelligence are replacing traditional workers across myriad industries around the world. What will this mean to future generations, and how can we best prepare for these inevitable changes?

MODERATOR **Richard Quest**
Anchor & Correspondent, **CNN** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Tom Manning**
Chairman, **China Advisory Board** CONFIRMED

Amirsan Roberto
CEO & Founder, **WiredIn** CONFIRMED

Hubert Wo
Vice President & GM, **ARRIS** CONFIRMED

3:30PM Networking Break

4:00PM Panel V - The Future of FDI

With emerging economies slowing, China transitioning from low-end manufacturing to knowledge-based industries and a Donald Trump presidency threatening global trade, what will the near and long-term FDI landscape look like? We'll explore how disruptive new technologies and the growth in protectionism, will revolutionize employment, investment attraction and economies around the globe.

MODERATOR **Richard Quest** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Peter Fuhrman**
Chairman & CEO, **China First Capital** CONFIRMED

Jane Li
Strategic Advisor & Operating Partner,
Diversis Capital LLC CONFIRMED

Boštjan Skalar
Executive Director & CEO, **WAIPA** CONFIRMED

5:00PM - 8:00PM

Alberta Night - Networking Reception
The House of Roosevelt



WEDNESDAY 24TH MAY CONFERENCE DAY TWO

8:30AM Registration & Breakfast



9:00AM Panel VI - Water Wars & Climate Change



Demand and competition for water is growing, with many experts predicting humanity will exhaust the world's clean water supply before there is a shortage of fossil fuels. Water-intensive industries will address responsible consumption of this precious resource, and discuss environmental issues and sustainable development as demand for agricultural advancement, clean water, and energy production grow across the globe.





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KEYNOTE **Dr. Laurence C. Smith**
Professor & Chair of the Geography Department, **UCLA** CONFIRMED

MODERATOR **Denis Merkwirth**
Vice President, **Conway Advisory** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Wei Ding**
President, **A.O. Smith, China** CONFIRMED

Dr. Laurence C. Smith CONFIRMED
Zheng Zhong
CEO,
ZhengZhong Water Town Agriculture Development CONFIRMED

10:30AM Networking Break

11:00AM Panel VII - Workforce Development & Talent Acquisition

This panel explores the role of partnerships between industry and education in preparing students and employees for the modern workforce, and how companies and governments attract and retain top talent.

MODERATOR **Denis Merkwirth** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Vik Bangia**
CEO, **Verum Consulting, LLC** CONFIRMED

Andrea Myles
CEO, **China Australia Millennial Project** CONFIRMED

Erika Nielsen
Corporate Director of Global Government Affairs,
BorgWarner CONFIRMED

12:00PM Panel VIII - China Outbound FDI

The growth of Chinese outbound FDI has been staggering, with 2015 outflows more than 10 times their 2005 level, making China the third-largest supplier of foreign direct investment in the world. Which countries and sectors are these investments targeting, and will new foreign currency control policies abate this trend? What does the future hold for China's global companies?

MODERATOR **John Evans**
Managing Director, **Tractus Asia Ltd.** CONFIRMED

PANEL **Patrick Becker**
CEO & Founder, **Bexuco Ltd.** CONFIRMED

Yongtai Hou
Chairman & Executive Director,
Shanghai Haochai Biological Technology Co. CONFIRMED

Dr. James Shen
Vice Head, **Pengxin International Mining Co** CONFIRMED

Mandi Sun
Founder & President, **CloudCC.com Co., Ltd** CONFIRMED

1:00PM Lunch

2:30PM Governance Lecture

Tom Manning
Chairman, **China Advisory Board** CONFIRMED

3:00PM Panel IX - Economists & Executives Roundtable

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A group of leading economists, futurists and site selection experts convene for a frank and open discussion on global issues impacting FDI.

MODERATOR **Simon Baptist**
Global Chief Economist and Managing Director,
EIU Asia CONFIRMED

PANEL **Kent Kedl**
Senior Partner, **Control Risks** CONFIRMED



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