

Silk Road Series – Seminar on China-Ukraine trade and more



Despite recent domestic and external difficulties, Ukraine as a major economy at the crossroad of Eurasia has every potential to recover its past glory. As late as in the Soviet era, it had been the main industrial and agricultural centre of the confederation. In recent years, it has been a major source of technology transfer for China and given its fertile black soil and its insistence against genetic modification it would be the important area together with Southern Russia of agricultural supplies to China.

China's Belt and Road Initiative aims to resurrect millennium old Silk Road and Ukraine could very well be once again the hub connecting the East from China, Central Asia and Caucasus, the West of Eastern, Central and Western Europe, the north of Russia and the Baltic Sea and the south through the Black Sea to the Middle East. Railways and intermodal transport links have already been in place and there have been China-Europe freight trains going through Ukraine. With economic complementarities between Ukraine and China and with greater efforts from both sides, Ukraine would be the integral part of the emergent economic region of the Belt and Road and on the basis of trade expansion and infrastructure investments it would be able to find economic development to overcome political difficulties.

As Hong Kong has aspired to become the financial and service capital of the Belt and Road system, it should develop its economic and intellectual ties with Ukraine further from the present stage of merely mutual visa waiving. We hope this seminar will open more trade and exchanges between Ukraine and Hong Kong (and the Big Bay area of the Pearl River Delta region) to serve the interests of all, especially at a time when US – China trade frictions would push China to emphasize more the Belt and Road Initiative and the economies involved.

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Time : 2:30pm - 5:30pm

Venue : Rm TU201, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hunghom, Kln.

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Programme:

<i>Opening address</i>	Mr Joseph Chan, Chairman of the Silk Road Economic Development Research Center
<i>Mr Oleksandr Romanovskyy</i>	Director, Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine <i>Topic: Ukraine on the world agrarian map: export, import, prospects of cooperation between Ukraine and China</i>
<i>Prof. Igor Golubii</i>	Vice-Director, Scientific and Pedagogical Activities, International Relations, Institute of International Relations of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine <i>Topic: An overview of Ukraine-China trade</i>
<i>Prof. Oleksandr Pidchosa</i>	Associate Professor, Department of International Finance, Institute of International Relations of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine <i>Topic: Economic and investment cooperation between Ukraine and Hong Kong</i>
<i>Concluding remarks</i>	Dr Thomas Chan, Director, One Belt One Road Research Institute of Chu Hai College

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Deadline: 27 September 2018

I / We shall be pleased to attend the seminar on 29 September 2018

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