

Xi'an Declaration

2016 Cooperation and Development Conference Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce

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On 5 September 2016, the world focused G20 Hangzhou Summit drew the certain and on 6-7, Xi'an Silk Road Business Summit and SRCIC Cooperation and Development Conference are being held. Representatives from 52 countries have attended the meeting. They are chairmen of SRCIC member chambers and federations and funds, diplomats of the countries along the Belt and Road, leaders of well known international organizations as UN Department and WCF, think tank scholars, as well as Chinese government officials and provincial and municipal leaders, all together 500 of us. With the direct inspiration from G20 Hangzhou Summit, 2016 Xi'an Summit and Conference have achieved great success in business partnership and project cooperation.

Based on the above, in the name of SRCIC Cooperation and Development Conference, 2016 Xi'an Declaration is presented as follows.

 Representatives of SRCIC members speak highly of the achievements of G20 Hangzhou Summit and fully identify with the Silk Road spirit, *Peace and Cooperation, Openness and Inclusiveness, Mutual Learning and Mutual Benefit.* The creative and effective work of SRCIC since its founding in December 2015 has been highly regarded and more efforts are to be made in promoting business projects for an active and constructive role in the world economic development with innovation, vitality, connectivity and inclusiveness

- 2. Representatives of SRCIC members support the efforts by SRCIC in exploring international and interregional cooperation mechanism to match up projects, products, technology, capitals and productivity. For this purpose, Finance Committee, Commerce and Trade Committee, Culture Committee, Transportation Committee and Energy Committee are set up and the affiliated cooperation groups are being organized accordingly, i.e. Silk Road International Association of Museums and Silk Road International Cultural Week.
- 3. Representatives of SRCIC members concur that the business projects provided by SRCIC to the Silk Road countries and commercial chambers are for common benefits. The signed platforms for business collaboration are eSilkRoad, Silk Road International Development Fund, Silk Road Think Tank Association, Silk Road Commerce and Trade Expo, Silk Road International Commodity Exchanges, GrandBeauty International Cultural Art Trading Center and Silk Road International Cultural Week, all included in the *FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON JOINTLY ESTABLISHING A MECHANISM AND PLATFORM FOR INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE COOPERATION*.
- 4. Representatives of SRCIC members hold the agreement that commercial trade carries with it the civilizations, a valuable heritage of the Silk Road. Culture is the sail of the Silk Road boat. Cultural exchange promotes understanding, mutual trust

and friendship, an important precondition for the construction of the Belt and Road. We propose the principal of mutual respect, inclusiveness and mutual benefit for cultural dialogue and interaction. We support SRCIC Culture Committee's work. We support cultural projects of Silk Road International Cultural Week and Silk Road International Association of Museums.

- 5. Representatives of SRCIC members agree that the implementation of great Belt and Road Initiative requires the joint forces from social sectors and NGOs, as well as governments and official organs. Government-society-enterprises combined has become an effective political structure in today's global governance. SRCIC will spare no effort to take the lead in building bridges and ties with the governments, national chambers and federations, and the enterprises to serve its members as a super booster and liaison in the Belt and Road Initiative.
- 6. Representatives of SRCIC members also agree that the current strong wave of globalization is irreversible, which has held global villagers up into one community of shared future, symbiotic and interconnected. None of the countries, regions and nations is an exception. Therefore, SRCIC will join forces with investment and trade organizations and enterprises from different industries, different countries and different regions all over the world to promote a global economic prosperity and a better world for tomorrow.