



Upcoming Event

Press Conference and Launch of CCICED 2019-2020 Research Outputs

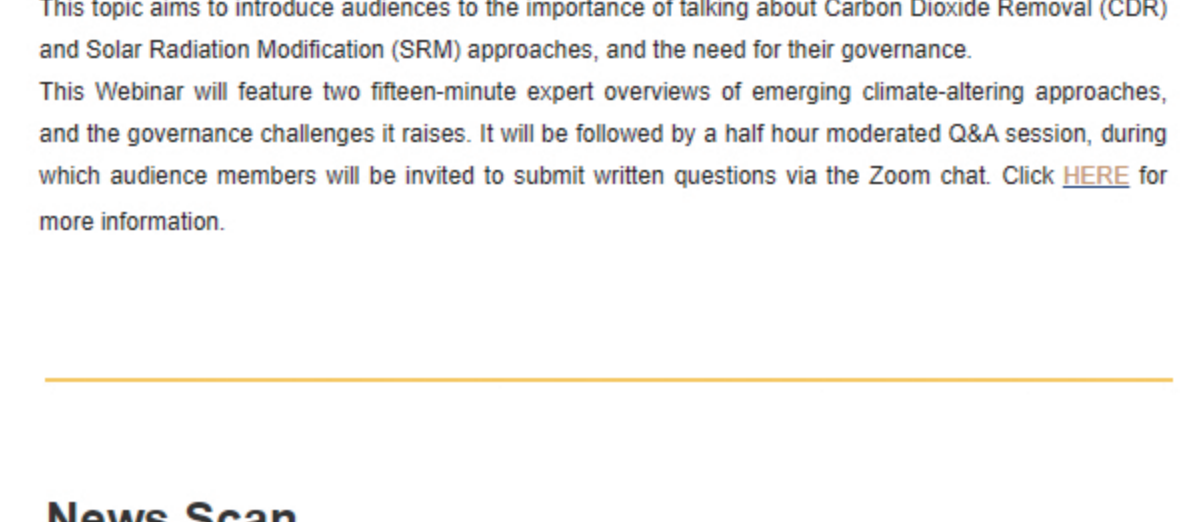


September 17, 2020 | 9h30 UCT/GMT to 11h30 UCT/GMT

This press conference will officially launch the latest research outputs of CCICED, including the 2020 Issues Paper, Policy Recommendations, and SPS Reports prepared by CCICED's 10 Special Policy Study Teams.

An on-site in person event will be held in Beijing from 9h30 UCT/GMT to 11h30 UCT/GMT. For those who cannot attend in person, online infrastructure will be ready for accessing the conference virtually. An official invitation and details for accessing the event will be shared by the Secretariat in due course.

Carnegie Climate Governance Initiative presents Catalysing large-scale Carbon Dioxide Removal (Webinar)



August 31, 2020 | 11:30 UTC

This topic aims to introduce audiences to the importance of talking about Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) and Solar Radiation Modification (SRM) approaches, and the need for their governance.

This Webinar will feature two fifteen-minute expert overviews of emerging climate-altering approaches, and the governance challenges it raises. It will be followed by a half hour moderated Q&A session, during which audience members will be invited to submit written questions via the Zoom chat. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

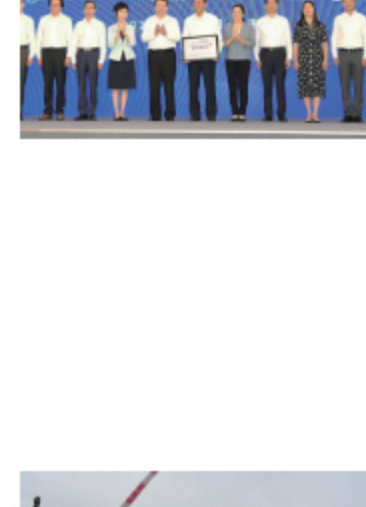
News Scan

Global Governance and Ecological Civilization



Nation remains committed to reform, opening-up

Aug 26, China Daily - As the COVID-19 pandemic has plunged the world economy into recession, China remains committed to expanding opening-up to bolster its high-quality growth and to promoting globalization and inclusive development. Speaking at a symposium on economic and social work, President Xi Jinping stressed the importance of higher-level opening-up in international cooperation and competition, and reiterated that opening-up remains China's fundamental policy. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



Ecological cooperation key to EU-China ties in post-pandemic world

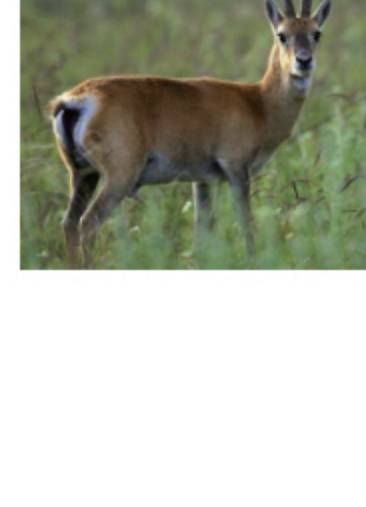
Aug 26, China Daily - "Liu Shijin, deputy director of the economic committee of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, recently said green development is pivotal to revive the pandemic-hit economy and the country's high-quality development, adding that China should incorporate the notion into its 'new infrastructure' drive, prioritize the development of renewable energy, and energize investment and consumption related to the green sector," writes Adriel Kasonta for China Daily. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Green Urbanization and Environment Improvement



Green alliance has plan for Yangtze Delta

Aug 26, Shine - An alliance of market entities and professional organizations interested in the construction of a demonstration zone for green ecological integrated development in the Yangtze River Delta was formed at a meeting in Shanghai. Shanghai Party Secretary Li Qiang said construction of the demonstration area would be the first step to promote integrated development of the area, actively exploring ways to boost institutional innovation, and strengthening reforms and system integration. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



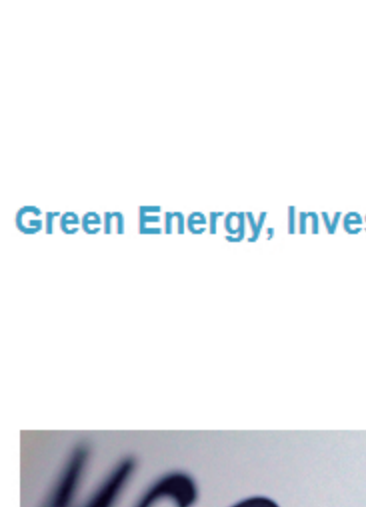
Bad weather to occur more, experts predict

Aug 20, China Daily - Extreme weather events will occur more frequently in China as a result of global warming, something the country is particularly vulnerable to, meteorologists said following a record-setting spell of rainy weather in June and July. Data from the National Climate Center show the Yangtze River Basin has seen about 54 percent more rain than average for two months, while the Hualhe River Basin had about 43 percent more. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



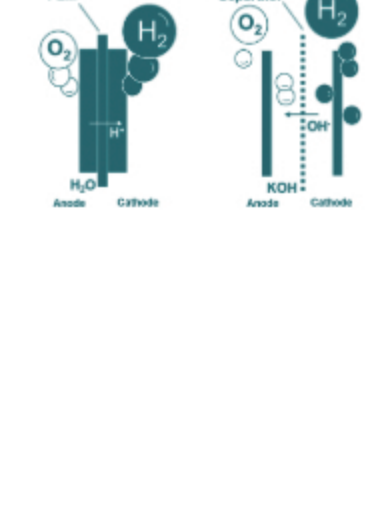
No time to waste: Improving waste management in China

Aug 18, Brinkwire - The last three years have seen China's policymakers pay increasing attention to the country's waste problem. In 2018, municipal solid waste (MSW) in China reached 228 million tons, an amount which is expected to rise to 409 million tons by 2030 driven on by continued urbanization and economic growth. This swelling volume of garbage poses a threat to both the environment and the climate. In 2017, China enacted a pilot program of new waste sorting regulations in selected cities, which policymakers are now planning to roll out nationwide. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



Protected plant list updated in China

Aug 24, CGTN - China's State Forestry and Grassland Administration began to solicit public opinions on the upcoming revised content of the "National Key Protected Wild Plants List." This is the first major revision of the list since its implementation in 1999. According to a notice issued by the administration, the list includes a total of 468 species and 25 categories of wild plants, of which 53 species and two categories are under primary protection, and 415 species and 23 categories are under second-class protection. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



China's largest salt lake reports increased endangered gazelles

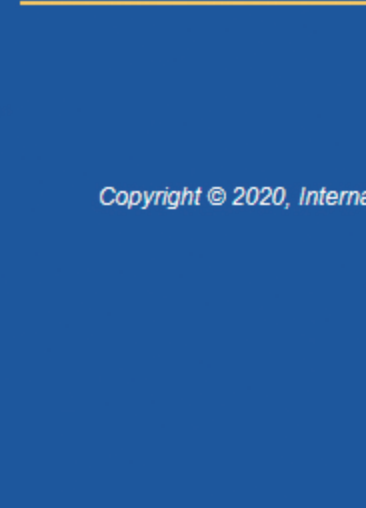
Aug 26, Xinhuanet - The national nature reserve of Qinghai Lake, China's largest inland saltwater lake in northwest Qinghai Province, has seen an increased population of Przewalski's gazelles (*Procapra przewalskii*). The number of Przewalski's gazelles near Qinghai Lake currently exceeds 2,700, up from over 300 in 1994, data from the administration showed. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Innovation, Sustainable Production and Consumption



Green and digital: A Chinese recipe for global economic competitiveness

Aug 24, GreenBiz - For a number of years, China has considered both "digital" and "green" as critical to future national competitiveness. Along with the recent widespread adoption of a green credit scoring system that influences availability of finance, China has taken the concepts of digital and green farther than any developed economy. With the data-informed introduction of green bonds, China is reportedly aiming at even bigger shifts in economic momentum, analogous to the country's previous impact on the development of the solar marketplace. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



'Dual circulation' policy to boost economic resilience

Aug 24, China Daily - "Dual circulation" is widely seen as the most important policy direction after the well-known supply-side structural reform drive, and will likely serve as the policy framework of the upcoming 14th Five-Year Plan (2021-25), said Li Lin, chief economist at Beijing-based fintech conglomerate CreditEase. By attaching greater importance to expanding domestic demand and addressing weak links in the supply system, the "dual circulation" pattern will make China's economy less dependent on external factors. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

Green Energy, Investment and Trade

MSCI launches climate change indexes for China stocks

Aug 18, Reuters - MSCI published two climate change indexes that allow investors in China stocks to lean toward companies with lower carbon emissions. The move represents MSCI's efforts to promote environmental, social and governance (ESG) standards in China, where the government seeks a difficult balance between reducing pollution and sustaining growth in a coronavirus-hit economy. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

China Will Get 'Green' Hydrogen from Siemens-Sourced System

Aug 20, Power Magazine - Siemens Energy will provide a hydrogen production system for a fueling station in Beijing, China. The company said it will be the "first megawatt green hydrogen production project in China." The hydrogen fueling station will be located in the Yanqing District of Beijing. The location is significant because it is one of three main competition areas for the 2022 Winter Olympics. The "green" hydrogen system is expected to provide fuel for public transportation during and after the event. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

A Chinese coal miner is getting into solar production

Aug 24, Mining Weekly - Mid-tier Chinese coal miner Shanxi Coal International Energy Group is planning a significant investment in the competing business of making high-tech solar power cells. The State-owned firm will lead a joint venture to build a 3 GW solar manufacturing plant for 3.19-billion yuan. It's the first phase of a project that will grow to 10 GW-- the equivalent of the generating power of 10 nuclear power plants -- producing high-efficiency cells through so-called heterojunction technology. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

China, Pakistan agree to push on with rail and power projects

Aug 23, South China Morning Post - China said it has agreed with Pakistan to push ahead with rail and power projects under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). "The construction of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor has entered a new stage of high-quality development and will continue to play an important role in the revitalisation of Pakistan," said the Chinese Foreign Minister, Wang Yi. [FULL ARTICLE](#)