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FIFTHTEEN Session



AGENDA

1- Networking of Participants and special guests of the session

2-Monthly Update on CPEC and OBOR: Projects, Perceptions, Periodicals/Literature

3-Selected Item of the Fundamentals to Study China

4-Formal and Informal Discussion Period



Belt and Road Initiative NOTABLE PUBLICATIONS and Sources

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New Frontiers

The "Project of the Century" will provide enormous opportunities in the built environment over the coming decades

Over the last two generations, we have seen a familiar trend of rising wealth and influence in Asia. It started with the Japanese in the 70s and was followed by the Koreans in 90s and the South East Asian "Tigers" in the early 2000s. For the past decade, China and India have been among the powerhouses of world economic growth. Given their ambitions and scale, they are both likely to be important contributors for a very long time.

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is one of clearest manifestations of China's vision and influence. The infrastructure and investment underpinning the BRI will streamline trade flows and lift economic activity in much of Asia, the Middle East, and North and Eastern Africa. While the vision will bring huge opportunities for investors and developers, the BRI will also change the face of corporate China, which will have an enormous influence in the 21st century as Chinese brands become household names around the world.

This report aims to bring some clarity to the initiative, with Knight Franks research teams developing a *Belt and Road Index* to rank 67 countries according to a number of key criteria, along with local analysis from a significant number of BRI markets. Our analysis shows that opportunities are widespread, with improving bilateral relations between BRI countries and China providing potential for real estate investment, development and business expansion. No doubt the BRI will provide further impetus to corporate China's growth and influence in global markets.

With this report, we are taking crucial steps in being able to provide the highest level of advice around tangible opportunities along the BRI. We hope you find the report useful and insightful.


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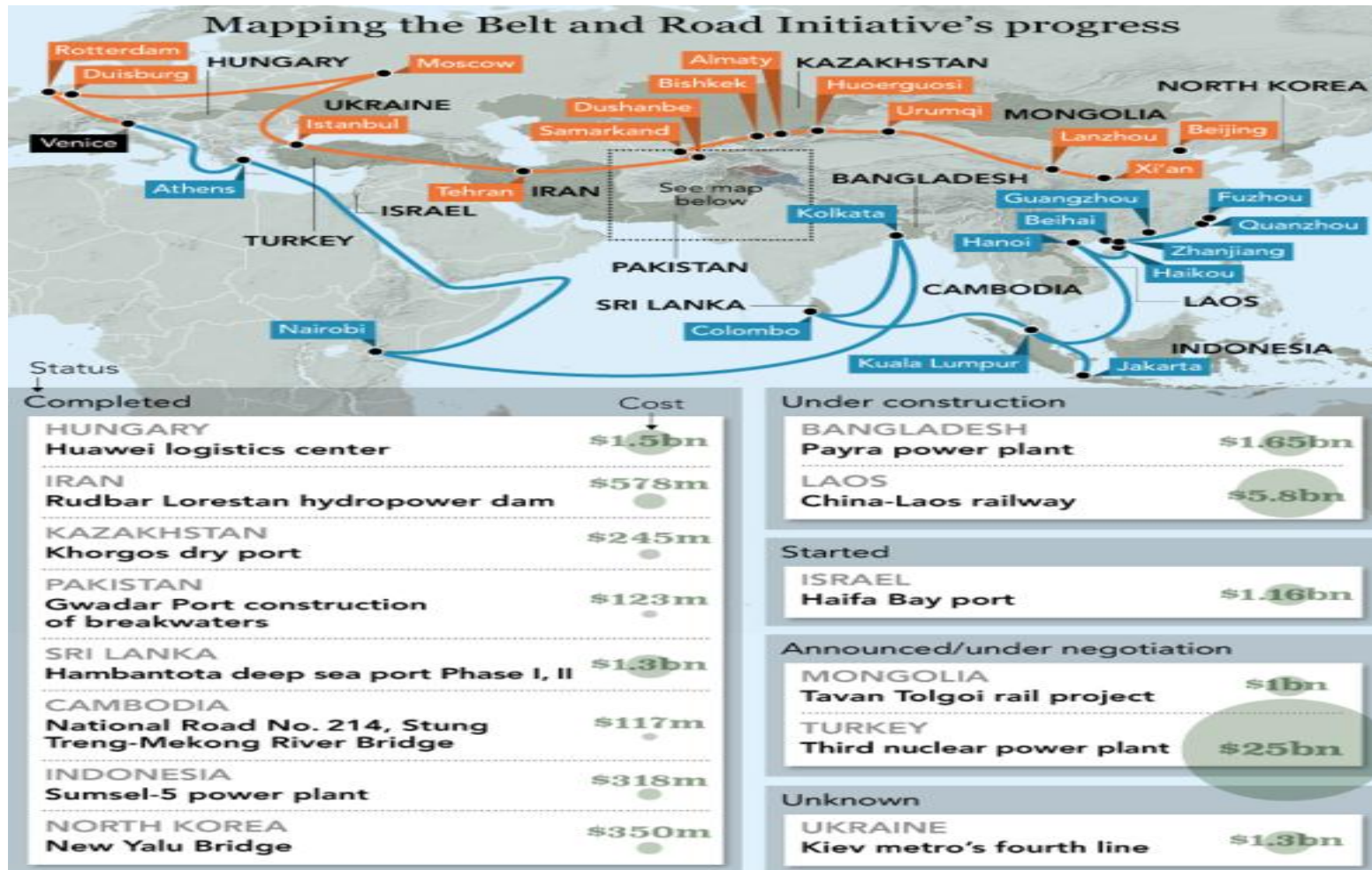
The ubiquitous use of smartphones in modern-day China



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Is China's Belt and Road working? A progress report from eight countries

- Nikkei staff writers Yuji Kuronuma and Erwida Maulia, and The Banker contributing writer Peter Janssen contributed to this report. **(March 28, 2018)**
- The [Nikkei Asian Review](#) and [The Banker](#) examined how BRI projects are unfolding in eight countries: Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Kazakhstan, Bangladesh, India, Poland, Laos and Pakistan. We also collaborated with the Center for Strategic and International Studies' [Reconnecting Asia Project](#) to aggregate key BRI infrastructure projects worldwide.

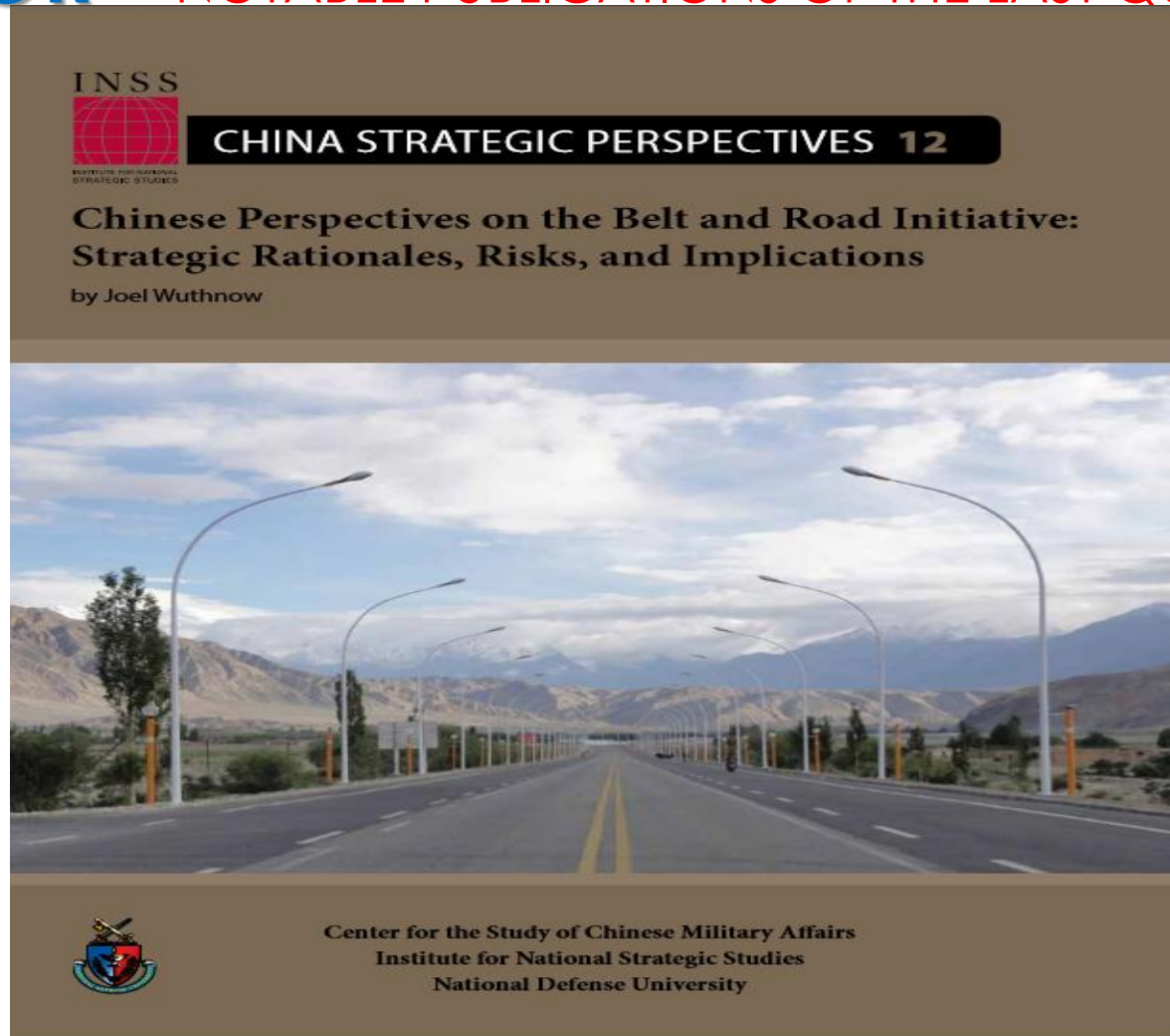


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Projects to Watch in 2018

Reconnecting Asia is tracking developments across a vast landmass that includes 60 percent of the global economy. Here is a selection of the top projects to watch in 2018.



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- Anaklia Port
- Astana Light Rail
- Budapest-Belgrade High-Speed Railway
- Chabahar Port
- China-Belarus Great Stone Industrial Park
- Dali-Ruili Railway
- Gwadar Port
- Hambantota Port
- Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Bridge
- Kuala Lumpur - Singapore High-Speed Railway



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- Lach Huyen International Gateway Port
- Lahore Orange Line Metro Project
- Melaka Port Project
- Moscow-Kazan High-Speed Rail Line
- Mumbai- Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail Corridor
- Padma Bridge
- Pulau Muara Besar Bridge
- Tavrida Highway

Source: <http://reconnectingasia.csis.org/analysis/entries/18-projects-watch-2018>

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Xinhua


Silk Road Information Service

- The wake of a major restructuring, CEIS launched in July 2015 a series of new products and services in response to China's "Belt and Road" Initiative, with Xinhua Silk Road Information Department at the helm.
- As a multi-language platform focusing on information related to the “Belt and Road” Initiative, Xinhua Silk Road serves global participants of the initiative with all-dimensional, full workflow information products and consulting services, in a bid to help Chinese companies “go out” and companies outside China “come in.”
- Its services cover information search engine, country-specific research, business project release and trade matching, as well as investment and international trade-related customized services covering such fields as finance, accounting, tax affairs, law affairs, training and exhibition.



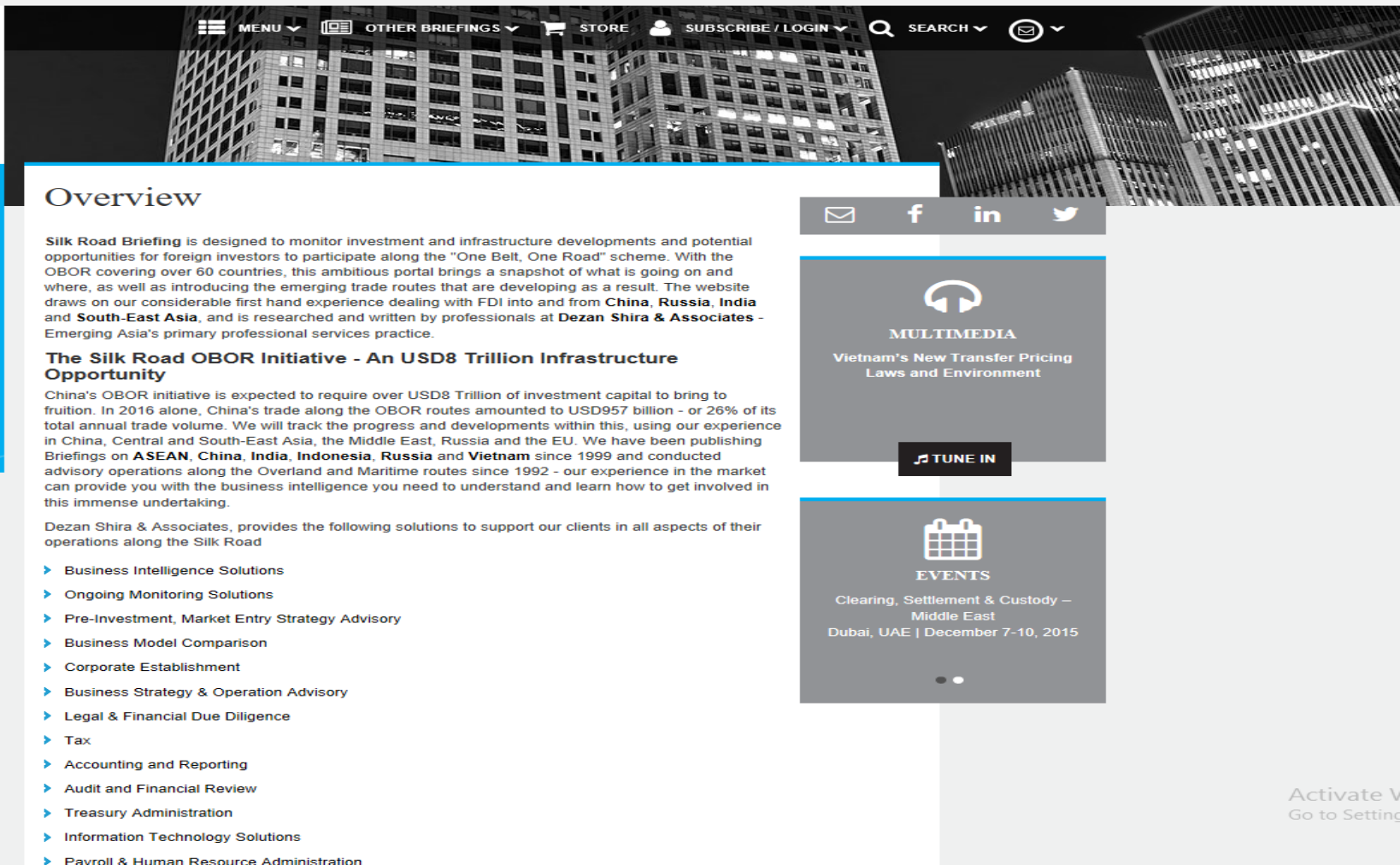


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Overview

Silk Road Briefing is designed to monitor investment and infrastructure developments and potential opportunities for foreign investors to participate along the "One Belt, One Road" scheme. With the OBOR covering over 60 countries, this ambitious portal brings a snapshot of what is going on and where, as well as introducing the emerging trade routes that are developing as a result. The website draws on our considerable first hand experience dealing with FDI into and from **China, Russia, India and South-East Asia**, and is researched and written by professionals at **Dezan Shira & Associates** - Emerging Asia's primary professional services practice.

The Silk Road OBOR Initiative - An USD8 Trillion Infrastructure Opportunity

China's OBOR initiative is expected to require over USD8 Trillion of investment capital to bring to fruition. In 2016 alone, China's trade along the OBOR routes amounted to USD957 billion - or 26% of its total annual trade volume. We will track the progress and developments within this, using our experience in China, Central and South-East Asia, the Middle East, Russia and the EU. We have been publishing Briefings on **ASEAN, China, India, Indonesia, Russia and Vietnam** since 1999 and conducted advisory operations along the Overland and Maritime routes since 1992 - our experience in the market can provide you with the business intelligence you need to understand and learn how to get involved in this immense undertaking.

Dezan Shira & Associates, provides the following solutions to support our clients in all aspects of their operations along the Silk Road

- ▶ Business Intelligence Solutions
- ▶ Ongoing Monitoring Solutions
- ▶ Pre-Investment, Market Entry Strategy Advisory
- ▶ Business Model Comparison
- ▶ Corporate Establishment
- ▶ Business Strategy & Operation Advisory
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