

A community of shared future for mankind

Overview

The world is now at a critical juncture when it is faced with such increasing challenges as a rising trend of anti-globalization, terrorism and the refugee issue. As economic downturn still bites, instability and uncertainties have become a normal phenomenon. Therefore, how to lead a perplexed world to move forward is a key question on the table for politicians, strategists and scholars alike to ponder over.

Facing a world somewhat spiraling out of control, some Western countries' strategic have made choices that are virtually disappointing. Some of them choose to lock themselves in their small worlds, while others turn to protectionism and pursue narrow-minded "nation first." It's under such a circumstance that people turn their eyes to the East. The report of the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China in November 2012 first proposed the concept of "*a community of shared future for all humankind*". Within the following four years, Chinese President Xi Jinping mentioned and illustrated the concept on various occasions.

The idea of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is a creature of the age that aims to accommodate the legitimate concerns of other countries while pursuing their own interests and promote the common development of all countries in the pursuit of their own development. To be specific, this concept includes three main missions. First, advance the common global development, promote the common revival of human civilizations and unite peoples across the world. Second, offer a Chinese solution to problems facing humankind. Under this concept, autonomy over destiny transcends core-periphery dependency, common destiny trumps interdependency and the notion of a human community with a shared future prevails over paradoxes. Third, the new era defined by AI and IoE makes the leap from cultural exchanges to innovation possible. This paves the way for a future where the theory of linear evolution is out of place, Western centrism is rejected, and anthropocentrism no longer holds sway.

The global value of this concept includes the interdependent concept of international power, common interests, sustainable development and global governance. Countless wars and conflicts have taken place between different countries and groups of countries for international power. With the further development of economic globalization, capital, technology, information and personnel flow across borders, countries are in an interdependent state. In this procession, countries have formed an interest bond, which must be maintained if they want to realize their own interests, that is, the existing international order. Therefore, the economic interdependence between countries helps ease the international situation. Countries can maintain and regulate interdependence through international systems and mechanisms, thus safeguarding common interests. As for sustainable development, which refers to the development that not only meets the needs of contemporary people, but also does not damage the ability of future generations to meet the needs. Besides, the core of global governance is that the international norms need to be strengthened, so as to form a "global mechanism" with moral normative force that can solve global problems led by globalization. In this regard, we can see that "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is a theory with rich connotations.

This essay will give a panorama of ‘*a community with a shared future for mankind*’, the background, significance and realization will be separately introduced step by step.

1. Theoretical construction

The theoretical construction of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" will be elaborate on this part.

1.1 From a single subject to a multipolar subject

On the subject of development, "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" advocates the transformation from a single subject or a single nuclear subject to a multipolar subject, and advocates political multipolarity and equal status in resource allocation.

From an international perspective, since the 21st century, with the acceleration of the globalization process, a series of complex and historic topics have been put in front of all countries in the world (global development has become increasingly unbalanced, conflicts of civilizations have become increasingly fierce, hot wars have continued in some regions, the world economy has been weak in recovery, environmental problems have occurred frequently, etc.). The global communication mode of "single center theory" has been difficult to sustain, and the human communication mode is facing an unprecedented historical dilemma. "What happened to the world? What should we do?" The international community urgently calls for a new concept of global governance to build a new, more just and reasonable international order, and tries to ensure that the third global resource allocation revolution is carried out in a relatively fair environment. The core of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is to promote the building of a "world of lasting peace, universal security, common prosperity, openness, inclusiveness, cleanness and beauty" from the five major aspects of politics, security, economy, culture and ecology. It advocates that different regions and countries should participate in the process of globalization on an equal footing, "increase assistance to developing countries, especially the least developed countries, and promote the narrowing of the North South development gap", "uphold the global governance concept of joint consultation, joint construction and sharing", advocate the democratization of international relations, break the previous "single center" development model, and promote the diversification, equality and multi polarization of development subjects.

1.2 From a single economic perspective to a diversified and all-round development

In terms of the main content of development, "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" advocates the transition from a single economic perspective to a diversified and all-round development.

In the past, the concept of development was mostly limited to a single economic dimension. The core focus of various theories was around "how to achieve economic growth", which simply equated development with economic growth, thus ignoring many other important aspects. For example, Lewis, a famous American economist, believed that "development is a change in the economic structure of the third world countries... In fact, development is the process of completing the transformation to an industrialized economic structure with savings and investment as the engine and the fundamental change in the proportion of the dual economy in the entire economy as the condition." Here, in addition to the "expansion of things", no other aspects of development can be seen at all, but development must first be the development of the subject and the development of people. The accumulation and proliferation of objects (objects, commodities, capital) are meaningless without the premise of subject development, so the realization of real

modernization is the realization of subject human modernization. "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" opposes the single content of development in the past: at the national level, it advocates all countries' participation and cooperation in politics, security, economy, culture, ecology and other aspects; At the individual level, it encourages development subjects to accept new experience, attach importance to individual and human dignity, encourage individual innovation, adhere to international and domestic dual democracy, have confidence in human subjects, and advocate human solidarity to jointly overcome future challenges. On the premise of recognizing the development role of the object (economy), "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" emphasizes the "pluralism" of different subjects. He advocated that different countries have different development contents, directions and goals, should respect each other, and should not practice monism and determinism. In addition, the community with a shared future advocates that the way of human communication should maintain tension between "integration" and multi polarization and multi subjectivity. On the one hand, "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" greatly promotes integration and cooperation in different fields and regions, such as the construction of the "Belt and Road" and the establishment of the Asian Investment Bank; On the other hand, "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" emphasizes the "heterogeneity" of different subjects on the premise of recognizing the development role of the object (economy). He advocated that different countries should take their own development path and model in light of their actual national conditions, recognize differences and refrain from hegemonism. To sum up, it is the political multipolarity, economic integration and cultural pluralism that we advocate.

1.3 The sustainable development theory of "subject object" organic interaction

In the way of subject development, "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" emphasizes the sustainable development theory of "subject object" organic interaction.

One of the most important contents of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is the "global green development" advocated at the ecological level. On the issue of ecological environment, we call on all countries in the world to exchange and cooperate with each other and advocate the sustainable development of man and nature through the reform of development concept and development mode. For this theory, we should understand it from three aspects: first, the relationship between subject and object - the development of human society cannot stick to the previous "master slave" development mode at the expense of nature; On the contrary, we should respect, adapt to and protect nature, and benefit nature while benefiting it. Second, the inter generational and inter generational level - one part of the main body cannot weaken the development ability of the other part of the main body by plundering nature. Countries cannot be beggar thy neighbor and pass on pollution. The third is the intergenerational dimension - the development of contemporary people cannot sacrifice the development ability of future generations.

In essence, the theory of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is a negation and transcendence of the previous "single center theory" of communication practice. It advocates the transformation of the previous nonreciprocal communication paradigm and the reconstruction of a new global order and new international rules characterized by multipolarity and pluralism. "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" not only includes the normative significance of the dualistic relationship between subject and object, but also has the directional significance of the communication relationship between subjects; Both the value construction on the theoretical level

and the practical exploration on the practical level have realized the organic unity of the "subject object subject" multipolar subject communication mode in theory and practice. The theoretical theme of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" is global development, the theoretical essence is communication practice, and the pursuit of value is seeking common ground while reserving differences and peaceful development.

2. The significance of a community with a shared future for mankind

The significance of "*a community with a shared future for mankind*" will be elaborate on this part.

2.1 Injecting humanistic feelings into modernization

Modernization is a multifaceted and all-round process of social transformation. The western humanistic tradition, characterized by the emphasis on individual value, has led to a number of drawbacks while bringing about the glory of modernization. On the one hand, the material and spiritual wealth of society has been greatly enhanced; On the other hand, problems such as the great disparity between rich and poor, moral decline, conflicts of interest, and ecological hazards also emerge in endlessly. The idea of building a community with a shared future for mankind put forward by China is a grand narrative based on focusing on large-scale changes in society, economy, ideology, etc., and exploring the evolutionary dynamics and deep structure of human beings as a whole, which provides solutions to these problems.

2.2 Conform to the development trend of economic globalization

With the deepening development of economic globalization, there are more and more common interests of all countries. In addition to the difficulties in developed countries and the collective rise of emerging market countries and developing countries, the old model of economic globalization is becoming more and more inappropriate, and the reform of global governance system ushers in a historic turning point. We should follow the general trend, combine our national conditions, and correctly choose the path and rhythm of integration into economic globalization; We should pay attention to efficiency and equity, so that different countries, different classes and different people can share the benefits of economic globalization. China has also put forward the concept of global governance of "joint consultation, joint construction and sharing", seeking to build a community with a shared future for mankind, which will help China better participate in the world economy in the future.

2.3 Building a community with a shared future for mankind demonstrates China's wisdom

The Chinese nation has always pursued harmony, loved peace and advocated harmony. In the long history, it has formed a broad and profound Chinese excellent traditional culture. The Chinese "peace" culture with a long history contains the cosmology of the unity of heaven and man, the harmonious international outlook, the social outlook of harmony without uniformity, and the moral outlook of people's kindness. These concepts have been passed down from generation to generation in China, and are deeply consistent with the concepts of lasting peace, universal security, common prosperity, openness and inclusiveness contained in the community of shared future for mankind. The idea of building a community with a shared future for mankind is precisely to promote the essence of China's excellent traditional culture to the world, deepen the world's understanding of China, strengthen its understanding of China, and promote exchanges and cooperation between various countries and China on the basis of inheriting and carrying

forward China's traditional culture and wisdom.

2.4 Building a community with a shared future for mankind reflects the essential requirements of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics

The essential requirement of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics is to constantly liberate and develop the productive forces, and constantly promote the all-round development of people and the common prosperity of all people. The important concept of promoting the construction of a community with a shared future for mankind is consistent with the essential requirements of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics, which fully reflects the special contribution of the Chinese nation to the better development of the world.

2.5 It has profound connotation of the times

Building a community with a shared future for mankind is an inevitable requirement of today's development. Practice has proved that the community with a shared future of mankind has contributed Chinese wisdom and Chinese solutions to the protection of the global ecological environment, international peace and development, the reform of the global governance system, and the building of a new order of global fairness and justice. It is also becoming a common value norm for promoting the reform of the global governance system, and building a new international relationship and a new international order. Building a community with a shared future for mankind conforms to the world's development trends and trends. The current world pattern is multi-level and economic globalization is irreversible. Peace and development are still the themes of the world era, and the links between countries are deepening day by day. China's goal in building a community with a shared future for mankind is to adhere to the path of peace with all countries in the world, build a mentality of equality and mutual benefit, eliminate barriers between countries, resolutely oppose hegemonism and terrorism, and contribute to the peaceful development of the international community and the common development of all countries in the world.

2.6 Building a community with a shared future for mankind has a strong future orientation

The yearning for a better life is not only the aspiration of the Chinese people, but also the common aspiration of people all over the world. The current complex international relations and diverse global issues, to a certain extent, increase the uncertainty of the future of mankind and aggravate the concerns of people around the world about the future of mankind. The "community with a shared future for mankind" not only provides a feasible solution to today's world problems, but also focuses on the realization of the aspirations of people around the world for a better life, with a strong future orientation.

For a better future of the world, the United Nations has put forward the concept of sustainable human development, and defined sustainable development as "development that can meet the needs of contemporary people without harming the ability of future generations to meet their needs". In 2015, the United Nations Development Summit adopted the programmatic document for further global development - Transforming Our World: 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Agenda emphasizes "meeting the needs of present and future generations" while ensuring that "no one will be left behind". Building a community with a shared future for mankind is highly consistent with the United Nations concept of sustainable development.

Therefore, when some countries announced their withdrawal from the Paris Agreement, the world's first climate agreement aimed at promoting sustainable human development, China made it clear that, "The Paris Agreement is in line with the general direction of global development, and the achievements are hard won. We should stick to it together and not give up easily. While paying

attention to the survival of mankind today, we must pay attention to the future of mankind. For the sustainable development of mankind, we must change those practices that destroy the ecological home of mankind in pursuit of economic growth, protect the living environment of mankind, and maximize the harmony between man and nature.

3. The realization of a community with a shared future for mankind

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As Gorbachev says, people's interest is of cardinal importance. Mutual development is at the core of the goal and the decisive way lies in coherence, finally comes to the balance of interests.

3.1 Thinking

The community of shared future for mankind, as its name implies, means that the future and destiny of every nation and country are closely linked. We should stand together through thick and thin and share weal and woe. We should strive to build this planet, where we were born and grew up, into a big, harmonious family and turn the aspirations of people all over the world for a better life into reality.

People of all countries should have the sense of a community with a shared future for mankind, recognize that the fundamental interests of all countries are the same, and that every country and people should shoulder common responsibilities for the common interests of mankind. Security is a two-way and interconnected issue. All countries should foster a vision of common, comprehensive, cooperative and sustainable global security, develop a sense of addressing security challenges through cooperation, seek security and stability through cooperation, and promote peace and development through security. We will vigorously advocate and strengthen the sense of a global community with a shared future. To build a community with a shared future for mankind, we should move from a community that is what it is to a community with a shared future for mankind, and from a community that is what it is to build a community with a shared future for mankind.

3.2 Culture

We should uphold the diversity of civilizations, promote exchanges and mutual learning among them, and build an open and inclusive world.

Each civilization, with its unique charm and profound heritage, is the spiritual treasure of mankind. There is no superior or inferior human civilization, only their characteristics and regions. Differences among civilizations should not be the source of conflicts in the world, but the driving force for the progress of human civilization. Different civilizations should learn from each other and make common progress. Exchanges and mutual learning among civilizations have become the driving force for human progress and the bond for world peace.

We should respect the diversity of world civilizations and strive to promote exchanges among civilizations that are harmonious and inclusive in their diversity, so that they can coexist in harmony, complement each other and develop together. While inheriting and developing its own civilization, every country and nation should also respect the civilizations of other countries and nations. The vision of a community with a shared future for mankind calls for "correct learning from civilizations". We should proceed from the actual conditions of our own country and nation, actively absorb all beneficial cultures that are conducive to the development of the world, explore all excellent cultures that are in line with the development of The Times, and uphold a modest and

prudent learning attitude, a positive learning enthusiasm, and a learning method of learning from each other.

3.3 Economics, science and technology

In terms of common prosperity, the country should pay more attention to fostering new growth drivers and boosting innovation-driven development by deepening reform and opening-up. Other steps also need to be taken, and it's significant to stress cooperation between countries in the ensuing years like promoting trusts in Southeast Asia, enhancing North-South and South-South cooperation and scaling up support for developing transport infrastructure in the least developed countries. China should promote high-quality Belt and Road cooperation with its partners to advance economic integration and share benefits across the world. The international community is to take into account the impact of COVID-19 and economic recession on developing countries.

The solidarity that underpins South-South cooperation has once again proven vital for developing countries especially in financial cooperation aspects. That means developing countries should actively explore the multiple cooperation patterns deeply from the strategic height in order to safeguard common interests maximally and cope with the challenges of economic globalization together. Among it, e-commerce comes first and demonstrates huge potential as a vital development method with innovative vitality to enhance the development of trade, employment, consumption, communication and cooperation so that countries can better share and exchange these experiences to achieve mutual benefit and win-win results through international cooperation.

Then comes to science and technology. We should embrace the trend of innovation, and look for new growth drivers and pathways to development by expanding and deepening practical cooperation with the US, Europe, Japan and other parties in areas like new energy and technologies, taking artificial intelligence as an example. Considering marketing, supply chains and logistics systems taking the largest proportion in its application values, digital technology also needs to be widely used in industry, employment, education and hygiene and upgrade the industrial sector as well as maintain rapid development. Much efforts need to be done to improve cooperation in transport infrastructure. During the pandemic, the China-Europe Railway Express and ocean-going cargo vessels kept global industrial and supply chains stable, showing China's contributions to build a community with a shared future. Every country enjoy his own competitive edges and we need to share with each other.

3.4 Eco-environment

Adapt to and address the environmental impacts of climate change mitigation. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce the harm caused by anthropogenic activities to the climate system, mitigate climate change, stabilize the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere at a level that protects the climate system from dangerous anthropogenic disturbances, enhance the adaptability of ecosystems to climate change, and ensure sustainable development of production and the economy. Developed countries should take the lead in reducing emissions and provide finance and technology to developing countries to help them cope with climate change.

Man and nature coexist and live in harmony. Mankind has only one earth, and resources and energy are both limited and precious. We should advocate green, low-carbon, circular and sustainable ways of production and life, and explore a path of civilized development featuring increased production, prosperous life, and sound ecology. We are committed to green and low-carbon development. We should uphold the traditional philosophy of integrating nature with man and upholding nature, seek a path of sustainable development and build a clean and beautiful

world.

We have strengthened international norms and mechanisms, written the concept of a community with a shared future into the Constitution, and formed the binding force and ethical force of a mechanism. This not only enriches the meaning of a community with a shared future, but also guarantees it by law, and helps the international community to develop in a more institutionalized and standardized way.

4. Conclusion

In this essay, we retrospect the background of the generation of ‘*A community with a shared future for mankind*’, as well as its integral significance and the methods of realization.

‘*A community with a shared future for mankind*’ is a new concept born in the contemporary world which is encountering numerous complicated problems of social administration. All nations see the ebb and flow and are deeply entangled in the diversification. The importance of a harmonious society and a universal ideology is widely acknowledged. Adhering to this theory, our world will turn into a beautiful garden with unique flowers blooming.