

"Making great contributions to the cause of world peace and development"

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"China actively participates in the reform and construction of the global governance system and has made great contributions to the cause of world peace and development." Turk, the former president of Slovenia and the chairman of the Madrid Club, said in an interview with this reporter that the world is currently facing many challenges, and China has proposed one after another. The Global Development Initiative, Global Security Initiative, and Global Civilization Initiative promote the building of a community with a shared future for mankind, and contribute Chinese wisdom and strength to solving global development and security problems.

At the Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2023, Turck participated in two sub-forums of "Global Geopolitical Outlook" and "Coordinated Development and Security" as a guest, and shared his thoughts on current international hotspot issues and China's role. Turck said: "Development and security are very important, especially in the current world where geopolitical competition is deepening and turmoil is intertwined. China's proposals on major issues related to the future and destiny of mankind have pointed out the direction for all countries in the world to jointly respond to challenges."

Turk said that China's contribution to the cause of world peace and development is multifaceted. China's historical eradication of absolute poverty is itself a major contribution to the cause of world poverty reduction and development. Over the past few decades, China's social stability and rapid economic growth have provided great development opportunities for countries around the world. In the face of the impact of the epidemic, the Chinese economy has maintained growth and demonstrated strong resilience. "This year, the Chinese economy will continue to be the source of power for the Asian economy and even the world's economic growth."

2023 is the 10th anniversary of the joint construction of the "Belt and Road" initiative. Over the past 10 years, the joint construction of the "Belt and Road" has achieved fruitful results, and the circle of friends has grown bigger and bigger. Turck believes that China has accumulated rich experience in poverty reduction and

development, and more and more countries are promoting their own development through the joint construction of the "Belt and Road" platform. "Just like what people say, 'If you want to get rich, build roads first', this sentence contains a simple but key development concept, that is, infrastructure construction is an important support for a country's economic and social development, and it is important to develop the economy and improve people's livelihood. It usually starts with improving infrastructure." Turck said that the joint construction of the "Belt and Road" covers many fields and has become a popular international public product and international cooperation platform in the world today. China has also proposed a global development initiative. It plays an important role in promoting global economic growth and achieving the sustainable development goals of the United Nations.

At the opening ceremony of the Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2022, President Xi Jinping solemnly proposed a global security initiative, which received positive responses from the international community. Turk spoke highly of this. He said: "Recently, thanks to the joint efforts of China, Saudi Arabia and Iran, the Beijing Dialogue between Saudi Arabia and Iran was successfully held and achieved major results, which once again demonstrates China's responsibility as a major country. This move will help improve Saudi-Iranian relations, strengthen regional cooperation, ease Regional tensions have been widely acclaimed. This case is a successful practice in which the global security initiative has risen from the conceptual level to solve specific problems in the field of international relations."

Turk said that the current world peace and development are facing severe challenges, and the deficits in peace, development, security and governance are increasing, and all countries need to join hands to deal with them. "China has put forward a series of major conceptual initiatives and made important contributions to the improvement of global governance, which will surely receive wide support and recognition from the international community."