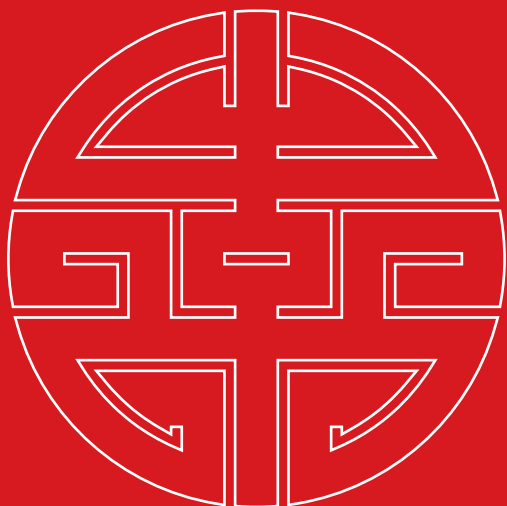


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Foreword



Established in 1966, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) is the specialized agency of the United Nations that promotes industrial development for poverty reduction, inclusive globalization and environmental sustainability.

The mission of UNIDO, as described in the Lima

Declaration adopted at the fifteenth session of the UNIDO General Conference in 2013, is to promote and accelerate Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development (ISID) in developing countries and economies in transition. UNIDO's goal of achieving ISID is explicitly recognized and anchored within the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in September 2015. Through Sustainable Development Goal 9, the Member States of the United Nations call upon the international community to “build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation”. At all levels of development, industry can be the primary driver in fighting poverty, ensuring food security and preventing social polarization.

UNIDO supports countries' efforts to foster ISID through three programmatic fields: 1) creating shared prosperity; 2) advancing economic competitiveness, and; 3) safeguarding the environment. Under “creating shared prosperity”, UNIDO focuses on the development of agribusiness and rural entrepreneurship, increasing the participation of women and youth in productive activities, and improving human security in post-crisis situations. To help the Member States advance their economic competitiveness, UNIDO provides a range of services, including investment and technology promotion, SME and entrepreneurship development, competitive trade capacity building and corporate social responsibility promotion. In safeguarding the environment, UNIDO's work is concentrated in the following sectors: resource-efficient and low-carbon production; clean energy access for productive uses; and the implementation of multilateral environmental agreements. UNIDO's programmes are tailored to the country or regional contexts. UNIDO's cross-cutting functions include analytical and policy advisory work, standard setting and compliance, and convening stakeholders for knowledge transfer and networking.

UNIDO has a long history of cooperation with China ever since the People's Republic of China was recognized as a member of the Organization in 1972. Over the past five decades, UNIDO, in cooperation with the Government of China, has

implemented hundreds of technical cooperation projects. Through various UNIDO capacity-building projects, thousands of Chinese technicians have upgraded their technical skills and hundreds of technical centres and institutions have enhanced their capacity, contributing to structural transformation and inclusive and sustainable industrialization in China. China's role in fostering ISID in other developing countries and economies in transition through UNIDO's projects has also been reinforced.

This publication highlights the UNIDO-China cooperation in various areas. Over the years, UNIDO has partnered with a number of leading institutions in China, resulting in the successful implementation of a large number of projects in China and other developing countries, including Least Developed Countries.

The President of China, His Excellency Mr. Xi Jinping, highlighted in 2013 that China's cooperation with UNIDO had synchronized with China's reform and the process towards a greater openness, adding that UNIDO had made a positive contribution to this process. President Xi said UNIDO's new vision, focusing on Inclusive and Sustainable Industrial Development, fully concurred with China's priority for future development, as the country continues to promote industrialization and is ready to learn from

advanced international industrial development concepts and ideas. President Xi stressed that China has always supported the international development agenda within the framework of South-South cooperation. China is willing to work with UNIDO in a mutually beneficial spirit and based on a win-win principle, helping developing countries achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and contributing to international development and global prosperity.

The UNIDO-China cooperation is currently focusing on food safety and green industry, as well as on international cooperation on productive capacities. I am confident that with the firm support of the Government of China, the UNIDO-China cooperation will usher a new era and the best practice and success stories of China will benefit more people in the world, thus making our shared objective of eradicating poverty by 2030 a reality.

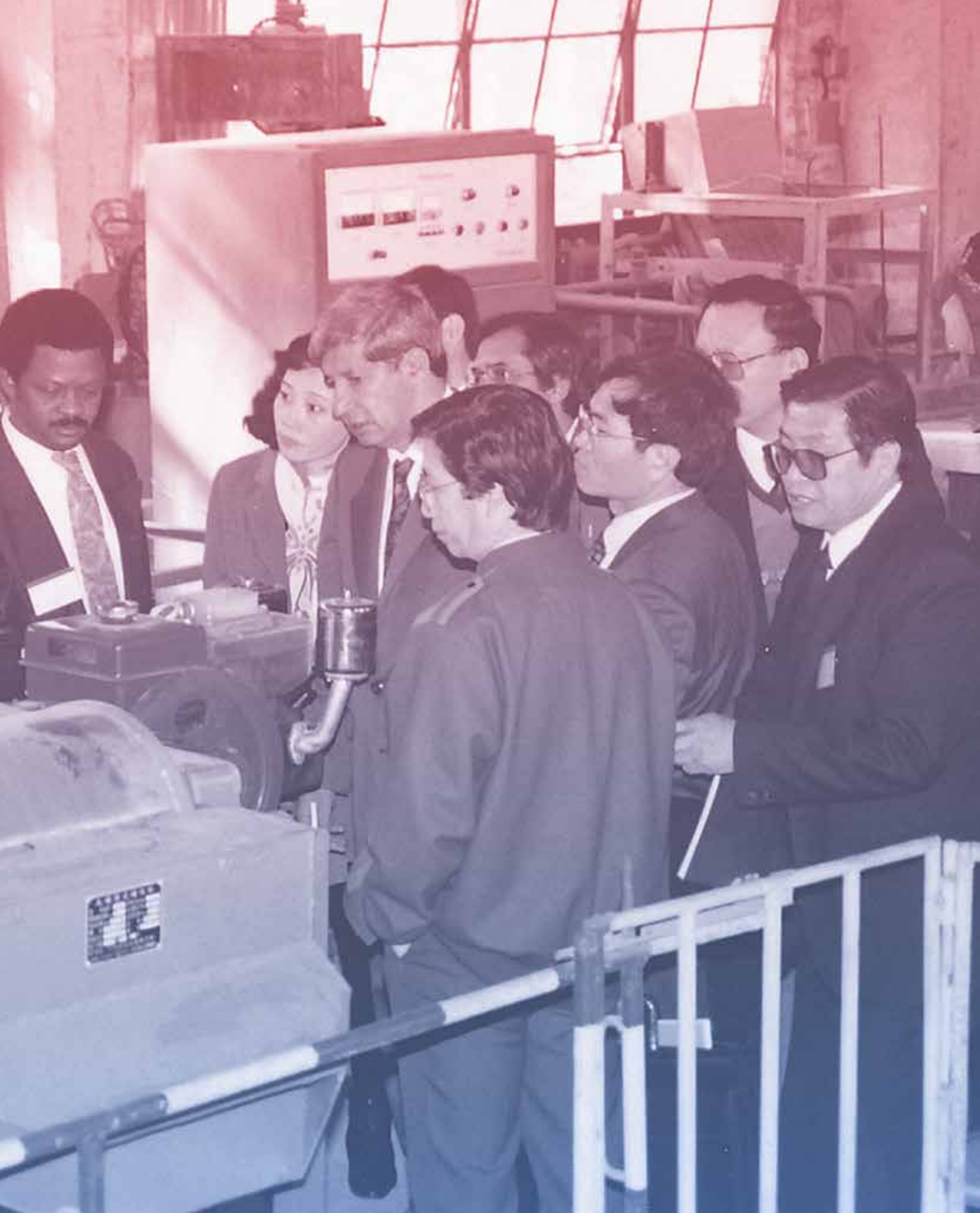
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China and UNIDO in five decades

In general, cooperation between UNIDO and the People's Republic of China has spanned three historical stages, namely from 1972 to 1978, from 1979 to 1999, and from 2000 onwards.







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