

The Changchun-Jilin-Tumen Opening-Up Pilot Area and the Renovation of the Model for the Opening-Up of China's Border Areas

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Summary

With the approval of the Changchun-Jilin-Tumen Opening-Up Pilot Area by the State Council, China will participate in Northeast Asian regional cooperation and collaboration, and at the same time as it being a new strategy to continue to further move forward the revitalization of China's Northeast old industrial base, it is also a new investigation and probing for the purpose of renovating the model for the opening-up of China's border areas.

The setting-up of the Changchun-Jilin-Tumen Opening-Up Pilot Area has become one of the key components of the strategy for opening up the border areas which China has taken up in recent years, and the following three points can be raised as characteristic features thereof. That is: 1) as regards the pattern of development, it will be transformed from the existing hub-style development centered on the border cities to development of a style interlocking the border and the interior areas; 2) as regards regional cooperation and collaboration, they will be transformed from the existing emphasizing of participation in and promotion of regional cooperation to planning and arranging both domestic and international cooperation in a comprehensive and unified fashion; and 3) as regards international coordination mechanisms they will be transformed from the existing focus on local cooperation to the building of multitier cooperation platforms.

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