

*The Ecological Civilization Regional Economic Coordinated
Development Strategy:
The background, content and policy direction thereof*

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Summary

In this paper, in addition to summarizing the existing points relating to the evolutionary course of China's regional development strategies, I have raised a new method of dividing it up into six stages. Current regional development strategies are at the stage of the ecological civilization regional economic coordinated development strategy. The essential quality of the ecological civilization regional economic coordinated development strategy is the integration of "economic efficiency", "social equity", "ecological balance", "political coalition", and "cultural fusion". Raised as concrete strategies to realize this are regional development master plans and principal function region strategies. The focuses for subsequent regional policies are to attempt at making policy more robust in problem regions and principal function regions, and to undertake policy design so as to bring about a coordinated relationship between the two. Regarding the issues that should be dealt with for the moment, there is a decentralized structure for environmental regulations, a mechanism for ecological reparation, and a concrete policy on the spatial distribution of industry. Therefore it is necessary to attempt to make the basic regional management systems more robust.

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