

Over the past year, IDLO has done a great deal of work on the improvement of the rule of law in developing countries. China greatly appreciates the IDLO's contribution to promote sustainable development in this respect, as well as the Director General's outstanding work.

China and IDLO have signed a memorandum of cooperation during the “Belt and Road” International Cooperation Summit in May 2017, when both parties agreed to jointly develop projects under the framework of the “Belt and Road Initiative” to achieve common goals. **On November 5, 2018, in the keynote speech on the opening ceremony of the first China International Import Expo, President Xi Jinping stated that all countries shall be engaged in the promotion of inclusive development and the implementation of the 2030 sustainable development agenda, so that people of all the countries will be able to share the benefits of economic globalization and global growth. China will continue to pursue the Belt and Road Initiative through international cooperation, consultation, and collaboration of shared benefits, and to set up more trade promotion platforms.**

China appreciates the great effort and energy of the IDLO team in the past year over the development of the initial plans for detailed cooperation projects. China will carry on our practical cooperation

with IDLO and all related countries to promote the implementation of relevant projects, researching and developing relevant projects, achieving **better guarantee through the rule of law for the “Belt and Road” construction, fulfilling the commitment to promote the UN's 2030 sustainable development agenda, and promoting the inclusive and sustainable development on the economy, society and environment in a comprehensive and balanced manner.**