

Build the New Silk Road

In her presentation in Berlin on Jan. 27, **Helga Zepp-LaRouche** counterposed the perspective of *EIR*'s report, "The New Silk Road Becomes the World Land-Bridge," to the bankruptcy of the casino economy. Only a reform in the tradition of Glass-Steagall banking separation and a return to a credit system modeled on that created by Alexander Hamilton, will make possible a partnership with the BRICS, she said.

China has made clear that its new economic policy is not based on confrontation. Every nation can participate in the economic agreements that are being generated by the BRICS, she said. China is currently the world leader in high-speed rail, water management, nuclear fusion, and space exploration. Its economic growth and increase in skilled

workers in industry and science are unparalleled.

She presented international Great Projects that are now on the agenda, including infrastructure corridors in Eurasia, tunnel and canal projects in Thailand, Nicaragua, Egypt, southern Europe, and Africa—all proceeding under the leadership of China.

Chen Jianyang, director of the Chinese Cultural Center in Berlin, then gave a report on the New Silk Road as a bridge between East and West. As with the ancient Silk Road, he said, not only material, but also cultural, scientific, and religious goods could be exchanged. From the camel as the means of transport, we now have high-speed rail, which would allow one to travel from Xi'an to Duisburg in 16 days. Forty nations, representing 4 billion people, are already taking part in this development. Germany and China, said Chen, could join in a strategic partnership to be the driving force for an upturn in the global economy.

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