

**OECD-CHINA SYMPOSIUM ON CHINA'S POLICIES TOWARDS
CROSS-BORDER MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS**

8-9 December 2005

*The Peninsula Palace Beijing Hotel
8 Goldfish Lane, Wangfujing, Beijing 100006, China*

**Draft Agenda
(as at 3 November 2005)**

This Symposium is the culmination of the China-OECD North-East China Pilot Project on Policy Towards Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions which was launched at a conference in Changchun, Jilin Province, on 21 February 2005 and continued at the MOFCOM-OECD Seminar on the Revitalisation of Old Industrial Base Areas in North-East China at the 9th China International Fair for Investment and Trade on 8 September 2005 in Xiamen, Fujian Province.

Participants in the Symposium will discuss the Draft Background Report prepared by the OECD and formulate follow-up action plans based on it. The Report will be revised after the Symposium in the light of this discussion.

The meeting will take the form of active discussion by all participants in break-out groups focusing on specific aspects of policies towards cross-border mergers and acquisitions. The final session will be a plenary session to discuss reports from the break-out groups.

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- 12h00-12h30 Registration and cocktails.
- 12h30-14h00 Lunch: Opening remarks by OECD Deputy Secretary-General and Chinese government.
- 14h00-15h30 Scene setting by co-chairs (a representative of the OECD and a Chinese government representative of appropriate rank).
- 15h30-17h00 Discussion in three breakout groups to address specific aspects relating to **Ownership Restrictions and Strategic Sectors**. Moderator and rapporteur roles to be shared between the OECD and the Chinese government.
- 18h00-20h00 Working dinner: three breakout groups to address specific aspects relating to **Streamlining the Approval Process for Cross-Border M&As**. Moderator and rapporteur roles to be shared between the OECD and the Chinese government.

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- 09h00-11h00 Discussion in three breakout groups to discuss specific aspects relating to ***Strengthening Corporate Transparency and Disclosure for More Effective Due Diligence***. Moderator and rapporteur roles to be shared between the OECD and the Chinese government.
- 11h00-11h30 Coffee break.
- 11h30-13h00 Plenary session: report back from breakout group rapporteurs; concluding remarks by co-chairs. Co-chaired by a representative of the OECD and a Chinese government representative of appropriate rank.
- 13h00 Symposium ends.