

China and Brazil Agree on Railway Cooperation



Brisbane, November 17 (XINHUA-RHC)-- Chinese President Xi Jinping met his Brazilian counterpart Dilma Rousseff on Sunday, calling for early substantial progress in China-Brazil railway cooperation.

The relationship between China and Brazil has a promising future, Xi told Rousseff on the sidelines of the Group of Twenty (G-20) Summit in Australia, mentioning that they reached broad consensus on widening bilateral cooperation in all fields in his July visit to Brazil.

Both sides should continue to work closely to achieve more results on bilateral cooperation and promote trade facilitation and liberalization, said Xi, calling for early progress to build freight rail, high-speed rail in Brazil and a transcontinental South American railway connecting Brazil and Peru.

Xi said that China is ready to enhance coordination with Brazil on multilateral mechanisms, promote solidarity and cooperation among BRICS countries and rise up to the challenges such as climate change with Brazil.

Rousseff said Brazil attributes great importance to Xi's proposal and China's measures of developing the Brazil-China comprehensive strategic partnership.

The Brazilian president welcomed China's participation in building Brazil's high-speed rail, and hoped to

set up a working team for the transcontinental South American railway at an early date.

She said Brazil also hopes to enhance cooperation with China in such areas as oil and gas, new energy, satellite and information technology, adding that her country is willing to actively promote Latin America-China cooperation.

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