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◆ Background

Politically and strategically, 2002: 10+1 & DOC; 2003: TAC; also NTS and unclear free zone in SEA. Economically: 2010: FTA From 1997, 20% in average, >6 billion in 1990, ≈40 billion in 2000,>200 billion in 2010, >400 billion in 2012, 1 trillion 2020 (agreement).

◆ Today

New Government Destiny Community Upgrading ed. Of CAFTA 2+7 Neighbouring countries priority and as a result of comprehensive cooperation between CN+Asean, We are setting up a framework of the soft institution building for facilitating the CN+ASEAN integration.

◆ Challenges

1. Regional division of labor structural change and its impact on the whole structure, and individual state's position. 2. Under the new international situation, cooperation is becoming the important means and orientation. Mechanism competition is getting serious, Such as TPP, RCEP, CJK, as well as ongoing ones. 3. Western Economic disaster made the East Asia more rely on the regional solution b/c of more uncertain and suspicious of the global system dominated by the West. 4. Politically lacking trust to some extent, eventually some regional disputes are going along with the power relation readjustment.

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◆ Future

1. CN-Asean relationship is heading for the cooperation with the regional mechanism building.
2. Regional building is Asean and CN is becoming the common sense so regional ID is focused.
3. CN+Asean relations will be more professional, efficient and concrete.

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