



**Dear members of the Swiss Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Geneva Chapter,**

I would like to start by sharing with you the [China 2018 Economic Report](#) produced by the Embassy of Switzerland in the People's Republic of China. A good occasion and great document to master what has happened so far in China.

Going into 2019, the world looks wobbly. From Brazil to Italy, more populist are in power, the global economy is more fragile than it was a year ago, the markets are in jittery, a trade war between America and China is underway, technology arouse growing angst and the rule based international order is under threat. That makes this a tricky time for predictions.

Going forward, many of us have resolutions that need to be turned into action and we look forward to starting the year of the Pig. The Swiss Chinese Chamber of Commerce will host once again its renowned [Chinese New Year](#) celebration on **the 31st of January at 18:30 at the Hotel Mandarin Oriental in Geneva** – FREE FOR MEMBERS. We look forward to keeping you up to date with what we plan for the years ahead and to welcoming you at this occasion.

I would like to thank you all once again for your dedication and support and I very much look forward to meeting with you again next year ([www.sccc.ch](http://www.sccc.ch)).



Yours sincerely,

Christophe Weber  
President of the Swiss-Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Geneva Chapter

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## NEW MEMBERS

We would like to wish a warm welcome to our new members who joined SCCC, Geneva Chapter during the Fall 2018:

### COMPANIES

TAG Heuer	China Mobile International	Globaleye
AlpCircle	Integral Petroleum SA	EuroPass
SIMC	Alpana Ventures SA	Bargueton Lake Lemman SA
Longwin International SA	UNE SA	Suisse Pacific Family Office
Soverino Real Estate Management	White Stone International Sarl	Havyn SA
BRP Bizzozero & Partners SA	HEIG-VD	Biofluid Systems
Turbosaam Sarl	La Fontaine Finance SA	Tao Lounge Bar

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### INDIVIDUALS

Mr. Christophe Chatelanat	Ms. Hongda GAO	Mr. Fengfeng LIU
Mr. Sacha Kanoff	Mr. Alexandre Rovere	Mr. Ronny Beck
Ming Deriaz		

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## PAST EVENTS



### **The Rise of the Yuan and the End of Dollar Hegemony?**

Thursday, November 1, 2018  
Forum Crédit Suisse

In front of 150 professionals essentially from commodity trading sector, a rich panel of expert speakers discussed how the rise of Yuan could change the commodity markets.

[Watch pictures](#)



### **Seminar on Belt and Road Initiative: *Opportunities and Investments Protection***

Tuesday, November 27, 2018  
Schellenberg Wittmer Geneva

In partnership with Invest HK and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), this legal event gathered 50 guests in the offices of Schellenberg Wittmer in Geneva.

[Watch pictures](#)



### **How Does China Drive Innovation and How Switzerland can Leverage from it?**

Friday, December 7, 2018  
Warwick Hotel Geneva

We had the honor to have Dr. Felix Moesner, CEO swissnex China and Science Consul of Switzerland for China passing by the City of Calvin. He notably delivered his impressions on the "Made in China 2025" to our 45 guests.

[Watch pictures](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



We invite you to celebrate the year of the Pig in a friendly atmosphere. This main event for the Sino-Swiss relationships in the French-speaking Switzerland is a wonderful chance for the members and non-members of our Chamber, to network and share an unforgettable moment in a typical Chinese atmosphere.

[Register here](#)

## SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR WINE PARTNER



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To book online : [www.cavedegeneve.ch/categorie-produit/coffrets-cadeaux/](http://www.cavedegeneve.ch/categorie-produit/coffrets-cadeaux/)

## NEWS CHINA - SWITZERLAND

### INVESTMENTS & ECONOMY



#### Why China will soon be the world's top destination for tourists

The report estimates there will be 127 million arrivals in China each year by the end of the next decade, compared to 126 million in France and 116 million in the US.

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#### Les entreprises suisses doivent-elles être protégées des rachats étrangers ?

Le protectionnisme se renforce, non seulement au niveau des échanges commerciaux, mais aussi en matière d'investissements directs étrangers, qui sont de plus en plus considérés de manière critique. Même au sein de la Suisse traditionnellement ouverte, des raisons de «sécurité nationale» sont invoquées pour justifier un système étatique de contrôle.

### HURUN REPORT

#### Hurun Global Rich List 2018

Chinese billionaires are pulling away from the USA for the third year running, 819 compared with 571. Just two years ago, they were neck and neck at 534 and 535. Hoogewerf said, "China is going through an amazing period of entrepreneurship, adding 210 billionaires in the past year."

### HEALTH

### The New York Times

#### China's Health Care Crisis: Lines Before Dawn, Violence and 'No Trust'

An economic boom over the past three decades has transformed China from a poor farming nation to the

world's second-largest economy. The cradle-to-grave system of socialized medicine has improved life expectancy and lowered maternal mortality rates.

## **The New York Times**

### **In China, Desperate Patients Smuggle Drugs. Or Make Their Own.**

Despite a costly new safety net from the government, illness remains the leading reason Chinese families fall below the poverty line, according to official figures.

Many of China's problems are self-inflicted. Major bureaucratic hurdles keep lifesaving drugs out of the reach of millions who need them.

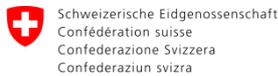
## **INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY**



### **The China dream goes digital: Technology in the age of Xi**

Developments in the digital and artificial intelligence arenas in China have attracted so much hype abroad that it is sobering to read more modest assessments from Chinese sources themselves. "Catching up" with the United States, whether in AI or in its military-related developments, is still the order of the day according to the sources examined by Elsa Kania, one of the contributors to this edition of China Analysis.

## **FOCUS ARTICLE**



### **China 2018 Economic Report**

Established by the Embassy of Switzerland in the People's Republic of China, this annual report brings an economic overview and a detailed review of the international and regional economic agreements. It also summarizes foreign trade and investments between both countries.

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