

Abbreviations

ABC	Agricultural Bank of China
ADB	Asian Development Bank
AEC	ASEAN Economic Community
AIIB	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
AMF	Asian Monetary Fund
ARF	ASEAN Regional Forum
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BFA	Boao Forum for Asia
BOC	Bank of China
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative
BWS	Bretton Woods System
CASS	Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
CCB	China Construction Bank
CCP	Chinese Communist Party
CCTV	China Central Television
CIC	China Investment Corporation
CMI	Chiang Mai Initiative
CNKI	China National Knowledge Infrastructure
CNOOC	China National Offshore Oil Corporation
DLHET	Dushu Lake Higher Education Town
DPP	Democratic Progressive Party (Taiwan)
DSB	disputes settlement board
EAS	East Asia Summit
ECB	European Central Bank
ECFA	Economic Cooperation Framework Agreement
EDB	Economic Development Board (Singapore)
EU	European Union
FDI	foreign direct investment

G20	Group of Twenty
GPRD	Greater Pearl River Delta
HSBC	The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IPE	international political economy
IPO	initial public offering
IPRs	intellectual property rights
IT	information technology
JCCT	Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade
KMT	Kuomintang (Taiwan)
M&A	mergers and acquisitions
MAC	Mainland Affairs Council (Taiwan)
METI	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (Japan)
MIIT	Ministry of Industry and Information Technology
MITI	Ministry of International Trade and Industry (Japan)
MNCs	multinational corporations
MOF	Ministry of Finance
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission
NETs	natural economic territories
NICs	newly industrialized countries
OBOR	One Belt, One Road
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OFDI	outward foreign direct investment
PBC	The People's Bank of China
QSHKCZ	Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Cooperation Zone
R&D	research and development
REF	Research Excellence Framework
RMB	renminbi
SAFE	State Administration of Foreign Exchange
SDRs	Special Drawing Rights
SEZs	Special Economic Zones
SFTZ	Shanghai Free Trade Zone

SIP	Suzhou Industrial Park
SIPO	State Intellectual Property Office
SOEs	state-owned enterprises
SWFs	sovereign wealth funds
TRIPS	Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
UNESCAP	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
USTR	United States Trade Representative
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization