

Joint statement by Presidents Jean-Claude Juncker and Donald Tusk on the re-appointment of Li Keqiang as Premier of the People's Republic of China

"On behalf of the European Union, we would like to convey our sincere congratulations on your recent reappointment as Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China.

The European Union regards China as one of its most important strategic partners. As global actors, the European Union and China have a joint responsibility to work together towards a more cooperative, rules-based global order.

We firmly believe that our relations, developed in the spirit of equality and mutual respect, will help us collaborate in dealing with shared economic, security, climate and other challenges in our globalised world, and strengthen people-to-people contacts. In recent years, we have witnessed an ever deeper and broader relationship in almost every area.

The next EU-China Summit in China will be an important opportunity to reinforce our cooperation in a forward-looking way. We look forward to our next discussion with you."