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Good Afternoon!

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To set the stage for today's very timely topic, as part of CASO's approach let's take a quick look at socio-cultural and historical aspects of ***China's Concept of Global Governance and provide a possible parallel with a similar Russian concept which in both cases might influence the two countries outlook on international affairs. During our previous sessions we discussed the Alexander Dugin's 'Eurasianism' and the term 'Novorossia'('New Russia') concept which might to a certain extent influence the Russian policies, including it's the so called "Special military Operation" in Ukraine, and an attempt to expand towards the historical borders of the Russian empire. President Putin also mentioned the term in his speech in March 2014 after the annexation of Crimea. In the case of China, we might examine a concept —the Middle Kingdom, as China calls itself, and its possible influence on the Sino-***

centrist worldview, which might have shaped China's outlook on rules and norms of international cooperation. In the past two decades, China has reemerged as a major power, with the world's second largest economy and an advanced military. *

Based on the topic of today's panel, I believe that above short analysis might explain to a certain extent why reelected Chinese President puts China's expansionist foreign policy and control at home at heart of his plans during his address to the Communist party summit. In this context he discussed **Hong Kong and Taiwan, the Economy, Corruption, Foreign policy, and the Environment.**

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Economic potential of countries is an important factor for their ability to expand influence regionally and globally, which might need to be taken into consideration by policy planners. This graphic and short related video clearly demonstrates an impressive evolution and growth of Chinese economy, based on nominal GDP, between years 1980 and with a projection up to 2026. As you know, Gross domestic product (GDP) is the total monetary or market value of all the goods and services within the countries borders in a certain period and a broad measure of a country's economic health.

