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Scientific Articles

L'industria dei semiconduttori in Cina: tendenze nella attuale "chip war"

Written by Gianluca Sampaolo and Francesca Spigarelli, published online on 05/02/2024

Questo breve studio approfondisce le complesse dinamiche del settore dei semiconduttori tra commercio globale e tensioni geopolitiche. Con un valore di oltre 500 miliardi di dollari, che si prevede raggiungerà i

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Si esaminiamo la ricerca della Cina di una leadership tecnologica, come si evince dal piano Made in China 2025 e dalle politiche industriali sui circuiti integrati (IC) sviluppate finora. Mentre la Cina progredisce nella produzione di chip, sorgono sfide nella produzione interna di fascia alta. L'analisi dei flussi commerciali tra Stati Uniti e Cina mostra importazioni significative di circuiti integrati elettronici e macchine per la produzione di semiconduttori dagli Stati Uniti. La riduzione delle importazioni di circuiti integrati è dovuta

alle sanzioni commerciali e all'enfasi sull'autosufficienza. Gli Stati Uniti svolgono un ruolo fondamentale nel rifornire la Cina di prodotti legati ai semiconduttori, creando una dipendenza tecnologica. Nel complesso, la catena del valore dei semiconduttori in Cina è in ritardo rispetto agli Stati Uniti, inducendo allo sviluppo interno. Secondo il 14° Piano quinquennale e la Legge sul progresso scientifico e tecnologico, la Cina mira a superare le restrizioni occidentali, anche se rimangono sfide da affrontare per raggiungere un'autosufficienza sostenibile.

China's responses After the Russian War of Aggression Against Ukraine vis-à-vis the European Union and its Own Population

Written by Ilker Gündoğan, published online on 16/11/2023

This research investigates the responses of the Chinese party-state to the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, particularly its interactions with the European Union (EU) and its domestic population in the initial six months of the conflict. Utilizing actor-centered institutionalism, the study analyzes institutional changes and political steering actions taken by Chinese party-state actors—a perspective not frequently applied to China's foreign policy. Employing the “explaining-outcome process tracing” method, the research reconstructs political processes and actor interactions through extensive analysis of documents and secondary data. The findings indicate that the EU and its associates cautioned Chinese leaders against aiding the Russian government in evading sanctions. Within this adapted institutional framework, the Chinese party-state has employed “soft” discursive steering towards the EU and, alongside this “soft” approach, implemented targeted “hard” steering actions aimed at its domestic population. While the political steering towards the EU has not been successful, the efforts directed at its own population appear to have achieved partial success.

News from China



China's State Council discusses draft government work report

Posted by Xinhua on 19/02/2024

The State Council of China convened a plenary meeting on 19 February to discuss a draft government work report, which will be further deliberated at the annual session of the top legislature in March. Premier Li Qiang, presiding over the meeting, emphasized the need to actively address public concerns, listen to diverse views, and make necessary revisions to the

report. He underscored the State Council's commitment to implementing decisions of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and its focus on tangible progress in the past year. Premier Li urged all departments to align with the Central Economic Work Conference's plans post-Spring Festival and emphasized the importance of confidence, hard work, and a pioneering spirit in solving practical problems.

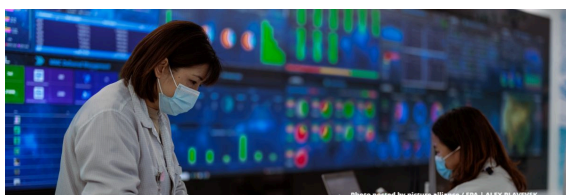
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China Reopening After COVID: Latest Developments and Business Advisory

Written by Dezan Shira & Associates Staff in China, posted by China Briefing on 14/02/2024

China has completely lifted border restrictions, signaling the revival of international tourism and travel. Consequently, numerous visa-free travel policies, reminiscent of pre-pandemic times, are now operational, allowing individuals from various countries to visit China for short-term stays. The article likely offers updates on the China's reopening process, government guidelines, and practical advice for businesses operating in the country.

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China's data management: Putting the party state in charge (report)

Written by Rebecca Arcesati & Jeroen Groenewegen-Lau,

posted by MERICS on 05/12/2023

This report highlights China's systematic enhancement of control over data flows since 2014, emphasizing the significant impact of Beijing's stringent data localization requirements on global trade, investment, and innovation. Accounting for a substantial portion of transnational data flows, China's regulations affect both domestic and foreign businesses, subjecting them to increased scrutiny and control by the party state.

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