



Acting Assistant Foreign Minister Goran Aleksic was in Warsaw on 28 October, where he participated in the 6th meeting of National Coordinators of the cooperation mechanism between China and the Central and Eastern European Countries.

The meeting, hosted by Polish Foreign Minister Grzegorz Schetyna, was attended by national coordinators of China and 16 CEE countries with the aim to agree directions of development of this mechanism as part of China's strategic vision of joint development - "The Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st-Century Maritime Silk Road". Senior officials and representatives of CEE countries, in charge of cooperation with China within this mechanism, discussed the preparations for the forthcoming China-CEEC Leaders' Meeting to take place in November 2015 in the Chinese city of Suzhou.

During the meeting with Chinese Vice Foreign Minister and Secretary General of the Secretariat for China-CEEC Cooperation Wang Chao, Acting Assistant Foreign Minister Aleksic stressed Serbia's readiness to fully contribute to the improvement of the China-CEEC forum which also enriched the bilateral cooperation between the two countries.

Stressing the importance that China attaches to cooperation with Serbia, the Chinese Vice Foreign Minister assessed that Serbia's involvement in this mechanism has contributed to the rise of Serbian-Chinese relations, which is best reflected by the results in the infrastructure sector where Belgrade-Budapest railway modernization project has a special place as an integral part of the "Belt and Road".