

China-Mexico ties increasingly strategic: Xi

ANTALYA, Turkey, Nov. 16 (Xinhua) -- Chinese President Xi Jinping said here on Monday that China-Mexico ties are becoming more strategic with larger global influence and the two countries should turn their consensus into sustained actions.

Xi made the remarks when meeting with his Mexican counterpart, Enrique Pena Nieto, on the sidelines of the Group of Twenty (G20) summit in the Turkish resort city of Antalya.

Noting that China and Mexico are both developing countries and emerging-market economies, Xi reiterated China's unswerving policy in developing the comprehensive strategic partnership with Mexico and expanding all-dimensional cooperation with the Mexican side.

Xi stressed that China stands ready to work with Mexico to maintain close cooperation on issues concerning G20 affairs, climate change, Asia-Pacific regional cooperation and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The two countries should maintain close high-level contact and promote friendly exchanges, the Chinese president suggested.

He urged the two sides to align their development strategies, expand the scale of two-way trade, optimize their trade structure and enhance dialogue on deepening production chain and supply chain cooperation.

Xi also called for concerted efforts to give full play to the supporting role of financial cooperation, make investment a new source of growth for China-Mexico practical cooperation, and strengthen industrial investment cooperation, so as to advance a new type of industrialization in both countries.

For his part, Pena said Mexico is committed to developing the comprehensive strategic partnership with China and stands ready to enhance high-level exchanges and political dialogue with the Chinese side.

Mexico, he added, hopes to deepen cooperation with China in investment, trade, finance, telecommunications, energy infrastructure, and other fields, so as to bring more benefits to the two countries as well as their peoples.

He also conveyed Mexico's willingness to enhance coordination and cooperation with China on major international affairs, and expressed confidence that China, as the host of the 2016 G20 summit, will make the event a success.

Xi arrived here on Saturday to attend the 10th G20 summit, in a trip that will also take him to Manila for the 23rd Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders' Meeting.