

Abbreviations

4G	fourth generation
5G	fifth generation
ADB	Asian Development Bank
AI	artificial intelligence
AIIB	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
ARCII	Asia-Pacific Regional Cooperation and Integration Index
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
AVOD	ad-based video-on-demand
B2B	business-to-business
B2C	business-to-consumer
BCIMEC	Bangladesh–China–India–Myanmar Economic Corridor
BRF	Belt and Road Forum
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative
BRICS countries	Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
BRITCC	Belt and Road Initiative Tax Cooperation Conference
C2B	consumer-to-business
C2C	consumer-to-consumer
CCWAEC	China–Central Asia–West Asia Economic Corridor
CDB	China Development Bank
CELAC	Community of Latin American and Caribbean States

CGE	computable general equilibrium
Chinalco	Aluminium Corporation of China Limited
CIPEC	China–Indochina Peninsula Economic Corridor
CLM countries	Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar
CMREC	China–Mongolia–Russia Economic corridor
CPEC	China–Pakistan Economic Corridor
DAI	Digital Adoption Index
e-tailing	electronic retailing
ERS	extraregional sellers
EU	European Union
EWEC	East–West Economic Corridor
Exim Bank	Export–Import Bank of China
FDI	foreign direct investment
GDP	gross domestic product
GIS	geographic information system
GMM	generalised method of moments
GMS	Greater Mekong Subregion
GMV	gross merchandise value
GNI	gross national income
GPP	gross provincial product
GVC	global value chain
ICT	information and communication technology
ID	identity document
IoT	Internet of Things
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
Lao PDR	Lao People’s Democratic Republic
LPI	Logistics Performance Index
Mbps	megabits per second
MDB	multilateral development bank
MLEC	Model Law on Electronic Commerce (United Nations)
MPAC	Master Plan of ASEAN Connectivity

MSR	21st Century Maritime Silk Road
NCEI	US National Centers for Environmental Information
NDB	New Development Bank
NDBI	Normalized Difference Built-Up Index
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission
NELB	New Eurasian Land Bridge
NIR	near-infrared
NSRI	New Silk Road Initiative
ODA	official development assistance
ODF	overseas development funding
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OFDI	outward foreign direct investment
P3	public–private partnership
PBC	People’s Bank of China
PPP	purchasing power parity
PSR	Polar Silk Road
RMB	renminbi
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
SEZ	special economic zone
SGE	static structural general equilibrium
Sinosure	China Export & Credit Insurance Corporation
SMEs	small and medium-sized enterprises
SOA	State Oceanic Administration
SREB	Silk Road Economic Belt
SRF	Silk Road Fund
SWIR	shortwave infrared
THB	Thai baht
UN	United Nations
UNESCAP	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

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UPU	Universal Postal Union
US	United States
USGS	United States Geological Survey
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization

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