
EDB: CHINA'S FDI CLIMBS IN EURASIA AS GLOBAL INVESTMENT SLOWS, KAZAKHSTAN LEADS CENTRAL ASIA

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While global foreign direct investment (FDI) fell 11% in 2024, Chinese investment in Eurasia continued to rise, reaching record levels in Central Asia, according to the Eurasian Development Banks report under its flagship Monitoring of Mutual Investments project released on Dec. 25. Kazakhstan remains the top recipient in Central Asia, with China's total FDI stock in the region now standing at \$36 billion.

According to EDB Chief Economist Evgeny Vinokurov, China has emerged as a key investment partner for Eurasian countries, with a growing focus on new manufacturing facilities.

In recent years, Chinese companies have focused on creating new manufacturing and energy facilities. Most of these projects are private investments, demonstrating both the technological maturity of Chinese investors and the improving investment climate in Central Asia, said Vinokurov.

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