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Sustainable BRI Infrastructure: On-the-Ground with Chinese Projects around the World

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Our speaker will discuss how he developed a unique business involving BRI projects. He will explain how working on the largest power generation projects of the early 2000s, such as the Three Gorges Dam and Qinshan Nuclear Power Plant, led him to assist domestic construction firms going overseas. He will also explore "maintenance with Chinese characteristics", which derives from the scale and speed of China's infrastructure build-up, its effect on construction projects abroad, and their perceived quality, which has been the subject of much controversy. He will also look into the transformative yet far from straightforward role of "4.0" technologies in implementing "best practices" and present some of the obstacles and detours on the BRI, detailing his firm's involvement in two of the world's most ambitious energy programs, in Algeria and Brazil. Finally, he will also discuss the impact of Covid-19 on Chinese investment projects abroad.

Bruno Lhopiteau is the Founder and Managing Director of Siveco China (喜科). A pioneer in the development of smart operation and maintenance solutions, Siveco helps infrastructure firms optimize their assets lifecycle and ensure regulatory compliance. Bruno started his adventures on the BRI long before the term was coined, with a project in Iran in 2004. Today his Shanghai-based company is active throughout Asia and all the way to Africa and Brazil. Bruno is also Lecturer on Industrial Risk Management at the Sino-European School of Technology at Shanghai University and board member of several high-tech companies in the infrastructure market.

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