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## The Current State of EU-China Relations: Chinese Perspectives

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From the EU-China Investment Agreement (CAI) to recent EU sanctions on the China and counter-sanctions by China on the EU, 2021 has already been an eventful year for EU-China relations. What aspects of EU-China economic and other relations can we expect to change, which are at risk in the current climate, and which can we expect to prosper?

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