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With the recent German elections of September 26th and victory for the Social Democrats (SPD), Germany and German-Chinese relations are at a crossroads. Join Germany's top diplomat in Shanghai to discuss what this means for Germany and China.

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