

China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone Inaugurated on September 29



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Introduction and background

Why China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone?

National strategy to reform China's economy

- China under pressure to "further open up" economy
 - Which sectors?
 - How? To what extent?
 - Timing: how fast?
- Reform government administration, and establish trade and investment policies that align with international standards
 - Japan invited to join Trans-Pacific Partnership
 - Many other major trading partners concluding Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with each other
 - China under pressure to conclude FTAs
 - Negotiation strategy?
 - What concessions? What "asks" in return?
- China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone
 - "Pilot" the "opening up" of economy in the pilot FTZ
 - "Pilot", observe, learn... for application nationwide

Why Shanghai?



Solid foundation to conduct pilot measures geared towards opening-up the economy and policy reform

China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone

- Combines
 - Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone
 - Waigaoqiao Bonded Logistics Zone
 - Pudong Airport Free Trade Zone
 - Yangshan Bonded Port
- Combined area of over 28.78 square kilometers
- Will the pilot area be expanded?
- Interaction with China outside of the zone





China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone: concept

China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ	¥	Free Trade Area	An area covered by a bilateral / multilateral free trade agreement (e.g. Sino-Swiss Free Trade Agreement) executed among countries or separate customs territories to eliminate customs and non-customs barriers to realize liberalization on trade and investment in such area
FIIOLFIZ	>	Comprehensive bonded zone	A single functioned special economic zone in Mainland China, free from duties, and quotas to certain extent
	≥	Free Trade Zone	A specific area under special Customs supervision that allows trade liberalization in a country with preferential policies

China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ is similar to Free Trade Zone, but more focus on policy reform, less focus on preferential treatment

- Focus on physical goods trade and modern service industries, encouraging the operations of regional headquarters
- Focus on onshore and offshore business, expanding offshore function
- Realize trade, investment, and finance liberalization

Timeline (based on information currently available)

Late 2012	March 2013	July and August 2013
 China Central Economic Working Conference Recommended acceleration of "free trade area" strategy Standing Committee of Shanghai Municipal People's Congress Issued regulation to establish the China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ 	 Premier Li Keqiang "Opening-up its [China] economy is an approach to stimulate domestic demand and push a new round of reform It is time to find a new pilot program. With its ability and its achievements, Shanghai must fuel reform through opening-up its economy and there is still huge potential to realize this Based on the existing comprehensive bonded zones, Shanghai is encouraged to study, pioneer and establish a Pilot FTZ" 	by State Council on July 3.
September 29 th 2013	October of 2013	2014
 The framework plan announced on September 27, 2013. China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ officially launched on September 29, 2013 	 Implementation of some pilot items expected Suspension of the application of foreign investment law in China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ 	 Promulgation of the regulation of China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ in early of 2014 Full implementation of the pilot expected

Pilot reforms: overview

Pilot reforms

	An overhaul of the financial system	
	 interest rate liberalization and full convertibility of the RMB 	
	 The development of specified financial products and instruments, encouraged in relation to commodities and shipping, and trading 	
Finance	 the establishment of global/regional settlement and treasury centers and fund management businesses 	
	 Setup procedures for wholly foreign-owned banks simplified 	
	 Joint venture (JV) banks and limited licensed banks permitted 	
	 Chinese banks permitted to engage in "offshore banking" business 	
	 Relax and streamline the approval requirements for FDI 	
	 Filling for a broad range of foreign investment-related matters 	
Investment	 "national treatment": allowed to invest in any activities other than those included on the "Negative List" 	
approvals	 invest freely in six modern service sectors: financial services, shipping and logistics services, commerce and trade services, professional services, cultural services, and public sector services 	
	 Eliminate pre-approval requirement for certain domestic investors 	
Customs	 Updated and streamlined by reference to internationally accepted best practices 	
	Explore a supporting tax regime	
Тах	 Implement tax policies to boost investment 	
	 Implement tax policies to promote trade 	
	 Support the development of overseas equity investment and offshore business, under the condition that such tax polies do not lead to base erosion or profit shifting 	
	Investment controls and approvals Customs	

Free flow of the commodities in the pilot FTZ with efficient supervision on flow into domestic market

Pilot sectors

Enterprises	Industries	
Transition from traditional production and trade business vehicles to headquarters	Transition from traditional goods trade to goods trade + modern service industries	
 Promotion of regional headquarter and regional operations center activities Regional headquarters Regional sales, operations, and treasury centers Treasury centers "Principal" companies Outbound investment platform 	 Promotion of modern service industries Financial services Transportation services Commerce and trading services Professional services Cultural services Public sector services 	

PFTZ Vs. Qianhai

China (SH) PFTZ		Shenzhen Qianhai
28 km ²	Coverage area	15km ²
Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone, Waigaoqiao Bonded Logistics Zone, Pudong Airport Free Trade Zone, Yangshan Bonded Port	Location	Hong Kong – Shenzhen – Guangzhou
Yangtze River Delta Economic Zone RMB10,877b	GDP Size	Pearl River Delta Economic Zone RMB4,785b
International Finance Center	Positioning	Experimental showcase of the opening-up of China's
(sophisticated mechanism) Nation's leading financial system, first-rate	Core Advantage	financial sector to the world Adjacent to HongKong, favorable for legislative
infrastructure, early- development advantage of being first PFTZ in China		innovation, strong possibility to reform © 2013 Deloitte Touche T

Current challenges

Policy	Further opening-up and status quo: where balance to be struck	
Alignment	 Respective responsible governmental authorities 	
	 Relevant laws and regulations 	
Timing	The overall plan finalized but pending for open detailed implementation rules	
"New"	 Lack of precedents, in particular, in relation to new business models 	
Communication	 Effective and efficient communication platforms between industry and government required 	
Stability / predictability	 Pilot policies: how stable and predictable? 	

Selected "new" business models: discussion

Entrepot / offshore trading

Suppliers	Customers		Expected in the China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ
Offshore		Finance	Foreign exchange controls relaxed, and possible significant reforms to facilitate cross- border transactions
China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ Trading company		Investment controls and approvals	 Approval and setup procedures, and administration simplified Based on possibly short "negative list" "Filing" + "post investigation" instead of pre- approval Use of innovative trading/hedging instruments and strategies potentially encouraged
		Customs	Customs procedures simplified and modernized, to encourage entrepot trading
		Тах	Explore a supporting tax regime

Regional treasury center



"Principal" company



RHQ (including trading, investment, cash management, and shared services activities)



Business setting up in the China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone Already agreed, or in discussion ...

Based on media reports

- Nintendo and Sony: permission to assemble/manufacture consoles in the China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ;
- London Metals Exchange: a delivery warehouse in the pilot zone;
- Bank of Communications: centre for conducting offshore finance and cross border RMB business;
- **Global auction houses**: permission to conduct cultural relic auctions in the pilot zone;
- Entertainment industry: formation of wholly foreign owned entertainment artist agencies and the establishment of entertainment venues in the pilot zone;
- Value added telecommunication service providers: formation of wholly foreign owned subsidiaries in the pilot zone to conduct value added telecommunication services.

Initial 36 (September 29, 2013)

36 enterprises were reported in the media that granted the licenses certifying their registration in the China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ, including 8 local banks, 2 foreign banks and 1 financial leasing company.

	Company Name	Investors		Company Name	Investors
1 2	Shanghai Baijiahe Information Technology Co., Ltd Charoen Pokphand Import and Export Trading (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	BesTV, Microsoft global finance CP Group	14	Shanghai Brics international trading Co. Ltd	Global Internet Exchange, the BRICs Venture Fund, Chengdu Sino-us Jipi Fund
3	Shanghai Oriental Pearl Culture Co., Ltd	Shanghai Oriental Pearl Group	15	LMG (Shanghai) Business Development Co., Ltd	LGM world group
4	Shanghai SNDA International Trading Co., Ltd	SNDA Group	16	Almaco Marine Engineering Design (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	Finland Almaco Group
5	Guangshitong Internet Communication Co., Ltd	SMG, State Grid	17	BNP Paribas Commercial Trading (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	BNP Paribas
6	Shanghai Kuajingtong International trading Co., Ltd	East Pay	18	Shanghai Yunli Container Service Co., Ltd	Huideli Investment Management Co., Ltd,
7	Shanghai Eastday E-commerce Co., Ltd	Eastday		00., 20	Hongshi International trading Co., Ltd
8	Shanghai Fanya Financial Service Co., Ltd	HEAVEN-SENT Capital Management Group, Synergy Capital,	19	Shanghai Pudong Porsche car sales Services Co., Ltd	Porsche
		Shanshui holding Co.	20	Hony Capital (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	Hony Capital Co., Ltd
9	Shanghai Asia-Pacific International Trading Co., Ltd	China Railway Material Group, CITIC Securities,	21	Shenyin & Wanguo Zhifu Investment Co., Ltd	Shenyin & Wanguo Futures Co., Ltd
	3 3 3 4 5	Qianyang Consulting	22	Hua An Weilai Asset	Hua An Fund Management
10	Shanghai United Assets and Equity	Shanghai United Assets		Management Co., Ltd	Co., Ltd
	Exchange Service Co., Ltd	and Equity Exchange (SUAEE)	23	China Pacific Property Insurance Co., Ltd., Pilot Free Trade Zone	China Pacific Insurance (Group) Co., Ltd. ("CPIC")
11	Shanghai China Salt International Logistics Co., Ltd	China National Salt Industry Corporation	24*	Branch Zegna (China) enterprise	Italy Zegna Holding
12	Shanghai Automobile International	Shanghai Automobile		management Co., Ltd	
	Commercial Trading Co., Ltd	Import & Export Co., Ltd	25*	Dazhong Insurance, Pilot Free	Dazhong Insurance
13	C. Steinweg (China) Investment Co., Ltd	Holland C. Steinweg Group		Trade Zone Branch	

Initial 36 (Cont'd)

Num.	Company Name	Investors
26	Bank of China, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Bank of China
27*	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China
28*	Agriculture Bank of China, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Agriculture Bank of China
29*	Construction Bank of China, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Construction Bank of China
30*	Bank of communications, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Bank of communications
31*	China Merchant Bank , Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	China Merchant Bank
32*	Shanghai Pudong Development Bank, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Shanghai Pudong Development Bank
33*	Bank of Shanghai, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Bank of Shanghai
34*	Citi Bank, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Citi Bank
35*	Development Bank of Singapore, Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Development Bank of Singapore
36*	Bank of Communications Financial Leasing Co., Ltd., Pilot Free Trade Zone branch	Bank of Communications Financial Leasing Co., Ltd.

* Not formally confirmed

Recommended approach and action

Proactive approach recommended

Don't wait for the rules, approach the China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone Authority and "ask":

- Investors who wish to explore business models that currently do not fit within existing rules, are recommended to approach the government to "ask". This is because the government is taking a new approach to discussing matters with investors
 - **Previously**: the government set the rules, investors asked "What are the rules?", then investors tried to fit their business models within those rules
 - Now: it is more business friendly and market driven. The government is inviting investors to approach the government to discuss: "what business model", "why (for the investor and China)", and the government has been holding open and constructive discussions with investors.

Stay "One Step Ahead"

Understand	 Objectives of governing framework and rules 		
onderotand	 Information concerning detailed scope and rules 		
Prepare	Review business plans, business models		
Consider	 Alternative business models and transaction structures that are now possible using China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ 		
Focus on	 How China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ might benefit you 		
Proactively	 Approach Ask questions of 	China (Shanghai) Pilot	
participate	 Actively communicate with … 	Free Trade Zone Authority	

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Strategic positioning and analysis, business model discussion and feasibility analysis

Initial

approach,

decide on

business

Negotiate

based on

model, and

conclude

desired

model

identify and

China strategic positioning/reposition (for foreign enterprises) or global strategic position/reposition

Business model discussion and feasibility analysis

- Compile relevant information, and obtain clarity concerning business objectives and priorities
- · Identify options and shortlist
- Conduct feasibility study and prepare for approach to Approach the China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ
- Initial approach: no-name basis
- Make decisions concerning business model, tailor presentation and supporting material based on initial approach
- Decide on negotiation strategy, including "fallback plan(s)"

• Participate and provide advice and support in relation to negotiations, in particular, concerning tax and other desired preferences

• Document discussions and agreement, and where appropriate, provide support in relation to the required legal agreements

Approach

the China

Pilot FTZ

(Shanghai)

Deloitte support (Cont'd)

Implementation assistance

Post setup

• Advice and support in relation to the full range of tax, and (if appropriate) business advisory and legal matters, including tax and (if appropriate) legal retainer services

China (Shanghai) Pilot FTZ - Dedicated webpages

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•13 August 2013 - China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone: Dawn of a New Era (<u>View webcast</u> | <u>Download slide deck</u>)

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