

《联合国报告：中国成第二大投资大国》

China became the second-largest investing country last year, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) said in its annual investment report issued on Wednesday.

According to the World Investment Report 2017, foreign direct investment (FDI) outflows from China surged by 44 percent to 183 billion US dollars amid weak economic growth and significant policy risks perceived by multinational enterprises.



Global FDI flows retreated marginally in 2016 by 2 percent to 1,75 trillion US dollars. /VCG Photo

Flows to developing countries were especially hard hit, with a decline of 14 percent, while FDI outflows from developed countries decreased by 11 percent, mainly owing to a slump in investments from European multinational enterprises.

The United States remained the largest recipient of FDI, attracting 391 billion US dollars in inflows, followed by Britain with 254 billion dollars, and China with inflows of 134 billion dollars.

What's next?

The report predicted that the United States, China, and India are considered to be the most prospective destinations for FDI.

In 2017, the global FDI is expected to rise by five percent to almost 1.8 trillion US dollars, attributed to higher economic growth expectations across major regions, a resumption of growth in trade, and a recovery in corporate profits.

The modest increase in FDI flows is expected to continue into 2018, taking flows to 1.85 trillion US dollars, but still below the all-time peak of 1.9 trillion dollars in 2007, said the report.

