

## 《金砖国家外交部长正式会议：金砖国家肩负国际重任》

巴西、俄罗斯、印度、中国和非洲肩负维护全球稳定和促进共同发展的国际重任，中国外交部长王毅于周一在2018年金砖国家外交部长正式会议上说。他还表示，世界正在见证我们史无前例的变化，同时，我们也正面临三大赤字的挑战。

The five BRICS countries – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa, shoulder important international obligations in safeguarding global stability and advancing common development, China's top diplomat Wang Yi said on Monday.

Speaking at the Formal Meeting of the BRICS Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi said the world is witnessing unprecedented changes in a century and is faced with the challenges of "three deficits."

First is governance deficit. Increasingly prominent global challenges and the lack of effective global countervailing means, together with rising unilateralism and protectionism, have been adversely affecting the global governance system and multilateral mechanism, Wang explained.



Marcos Bezerra Abbott Galvao (L), Secretary-General of Foreign Affairs of Brazil, South Africa's Foreign Minister Lindiwe Sisulu (C) and China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi (R) during a plenary session of the BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting. /VCG Photo

Second is trust deficit. Increasing international competition and friction, intensifying geopolitical game and reemerging cold war mentality and means have been eroding the trust and cooperation foundation of the international community, he said.

Third is development deficit. Global development imbalances, in particular unfair income distribution and unbalanced development space, are the most pressing issues before the international community and constitute the major causes of social upheavals in some countries, he said.

Wang emphasized that the BRICS countries should hold high the banner of political settlement and seek to resolve hot-spot issues through dialogue and negotiation.



(From L) Minister of Foreign Affairs of China Wang Yi, India's External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj, South African Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Lindiwe Sisulu, Russian Foreign Affairs Minister Sergei Lavrov, and Brazil's Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Marcos Galvao pose for a picture during the BRICS Ministerial Meeting held at OR Tambo International Building in Pretoria, June 4, 2018. /VCG Photo

The Chinese state councilor also stressed the importance of adhering to the principle of fairness and justice and maintaining the fundamental norms of international relations.

He also highlighted the importance of sticking to the concept of multilateralism and bolstering the central role of the United Nations in international affairs.

Under the circumstances, the BRICS countries should join hands in addressing new threats and new challenges so as to make due contributions to the creation of a stable environment that is conducive to their respective

development and global development as well, he added.

(Top image: China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi, Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, South Africa's Foreign Minister Lindiwe Sisulu, India's Foreign Minister Sushma Swaraj and Marcos Bezerra Abbott Galvao (L-R), Secretary-General of Foreign Affairs of Brazil, pose for a photograph ahead of a BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting. /VCG Photo)

