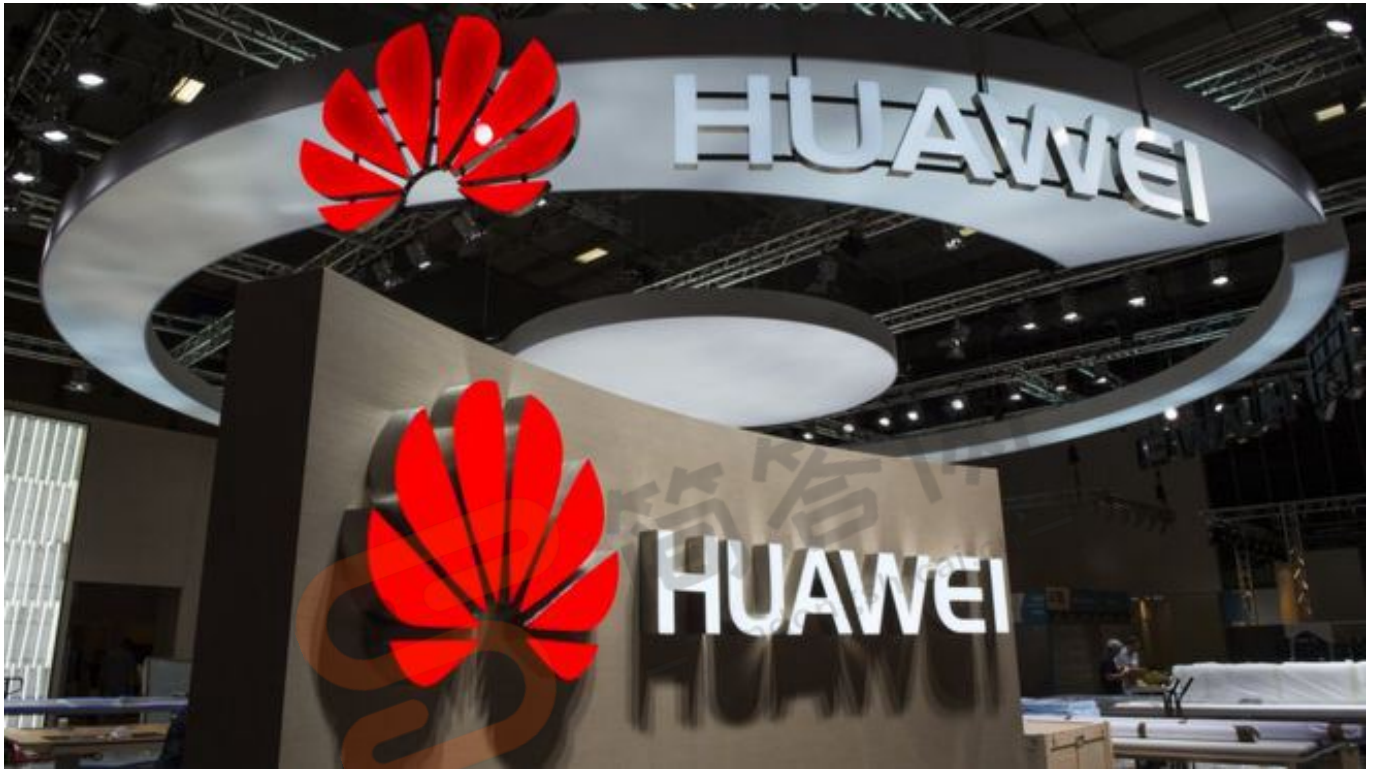


《强强联合：华为通用联手提高生产力》

导读:美国通用电气最近和华为达成了一项协议，双方将利用互联网来提高产品生产力、降低成本、同时减少排放。



US manufacturing giant General Electric has agreed a deal with Chinese technology and smartphone giant Huawei to help it improve production.

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GE hopes that by connecting all areas within a production process via the internet it can improve productivity, lower costs and reduce emissions.

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It predicts that the improvements will help it to save \$500m (381m pound) this year.

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Both sides see the concept as a key step towards "smart manufacturing."

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Shenzhen-based Huawei is one of the world's biggest smartphone vendors behind Apple and Samsung.

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Huawei's managing director, William Xu, said it was "very pleased" with the deal.

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"The next ten years are an important period for the traditional economy to move to a digital economy... Companies can not cope with all the challenges alone," he added.

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The move came as GE said that it still saw plenty of opportunities in China, despite the country's slowing growth.

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"Yes the economy is growing at a slower growth rate... (but) it's the the world's second-largest economy so there's plenty of opportunity," said GE vice chairman John Rice, speaking in Shanghai.

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China's economy grew at an annual rate of 6.7% in the first quarter of the year, its slowest quarterly growth for seven years.

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Sterling boost

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Mr Rice also said the fall in sterling following the outcome of the EU referendum vote would boost the company's exports.

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The US-based multinational firm is a huge conglomerate, whose business interests include everything from manufacturing jet engines, to providing firms with finance, developing software, and making consumer goods such as dishwashers and coffee-makers.

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