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- Mr. Kunne will briefly touch upon the importance of Asia and Europe working together to promote the rules-based international order and advance multilateral cooperation.

- To this end we cooperate for instance in the Alliance for Multilateralism, which he will briefly present, that has shown that states that support multilateralism and the United Nations remain the majority in the world.

- The Alliance has become an inevitable forum in support of strong United Nations and with a broad, cross-regional base, covering a variety of different actors, to discuss new approaches of multilateral cooperation, to provide a platform to promote initiatives and to enhance the visibility of the value of multilateralism itself.

- The Alliance is driven by the triad: defend, adapt, reform. Defend the international rules-based order, reform international organizations where necessary and adapt them in a way that they are fit for dealing with new challenges.

- The German government has also recently published a White Paper on Multilateralism and last year adopted Guiding Principles on our engagement with the Indo-Pacific, two other aspects that fit the subject of the discussion.