

Our history in China

From the delivery of the first pointer telegraph to a global technology powerhouse

1872

Pointer telegraphs exported to China

1899

Siemens & Halske (S&H) constructs China's first electric tram line in Beijing

1903–1913

Siemens builds power plants, a steelworks, a hydroelectric power plant and China's first high voltage line

1904

First representative office in China

1914

Renamed Siemens China Co., Shanghai, with numerous sub-offices

1920–1936

Major orders for the building of power stations in Shanghai, Harbin, Nanjing, Guangzhou

1922

Siemens China Co. becomes a Limited Liability Company

1930s

Siemens China Co. is Siemens' largest company outside Europe

1974

First major order for the supply of steam turbines

1978

Siemens exhibition "Electrical Engineering and Electronics" in Shanghai

1982

Opening of a Siemens representative office in Beijing

1985

Memorandum of Comprehensive Cooperation between Siemens and China's machinery, electrical and electronics industries with respect to technology and know-how transfer

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Contract for the supply of computer systems to Chinese universities; training of Chinese specialists in Munich; from 1987 formation of numerous joint ventures

1994

Founding of Siemens Ltd., China

1999

15 machine transformers ordered for the Three-Gorge Project on the Yangtze, the largest dam in the world

2003

The Transrapid is used commercially for the first time on the Shanghai – Pudong Airport route

2004

Siemens books its first long-term maintenance contract for gas turbines in China

2005

Siemens turns over a high-voltage direct current (HVDC) power transmission line to the State Power South Company in southeastern China

2006

An order is received to provide over 60 high-speed trains for the Beijing-Tianjin line. The trains are largely built in China

2007

Siemens is designated as a Global Partner of Expo 2010 Shanghai in China

2007

Shanghai's Tongji University, Siemens and Asklepios Kliniken team up to establish a joint-venture hospital under a public-private partnership structure in China

2008

Opening of Siemens Center Beijing (SCB), the new headquarters of Siemens Ltd., China. The building is one of Siemens' largest real estate investment projects worldwide

2009

Yunnan-Guangdong, the first pole of a Siemens HVDC system of enormous scale and magnitude is put into operation. It is the world's first HVDC link operating at a transmission voltage of 800 kV

2011

Siemens signs the Memorandum of the Extension of Comprehensive Cooperation with National Development and Reform Commission of China, which identified focused areas for the bilateral cooperation

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2012

Construction of a new X-ray products building begins at Siemens Shanghai Medical Equipment Ltd.

2013

Siemens' first oversea digital enterprise opens up in Chengdu