

## NEWSLETTER

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### **SF Express suspends e-commerce and express services to Middle East**

SF Express on March 2 suspended international express and cross-border e-commerce services to and from several Middle Eastern countries amid rising geopolitical tensions and flight cancellations. The company cited disruptions to air capacity and local logistics resources, saying services will resume upon notice. The move is expected to temporarily affect China–Middle East cross-border trade and parcel deliveries. (**Qilu Evening News**)

### **EU imposes per-item tax on Chinese e-commerce**

From March 1, France charges €2 per item on non-EU packages, ending previous small-parcel exemptions. Italy and the broader EU will implement similar per-item taxes, rising to €3 in July and an additional €2 by year-end. Chinese e-commerce platforms must report and pay these taxes, likely raising product prices. Companies are expanding European warehouses and adjusting logistics to maintain competitiveness. (**Finance.sina**)

### **Jilin cross-border e-commerce hits record import-export scale**

Jilin Province's cross-border e-commerce import-export reached 13.16 billion yuan (about 1.82 billion USD) in 2025, up 153% year-on-year, marking a historic high. With four national e-commerce pilot zones, the province promotes "cross-border e-commerce + overseas warehouse" models, supports platform-industry alignment, and improves customs, tax, and financing services, boosting industrial capacity and innovation. (**China News**)

### **Shanghai cross-border e-commerce expands to trillion-yuan scale**

Shanghai's cross-border e-commerce has surged from hundreds of billions to over 1 trillion yuan (about 138 billion USD), fueling high-quality growth in 2025. The city's total import-export reached 4.5 trillion yuan (about 6,226 billion USD), with policy, logistics, digital tools, and tax incentives supporting faster trade, efficient customs clearance, and strengthened international competitiveness. (**China News**)

### **Middle East tensions delay e-commerce deliveries**

Rising Middle East conflicts have disrupted key air and sea routes, prompting platforms like Amazon, Shein, and Temu to extend delivery times. Temu shipments now take up to 20 days (previously 15), Shein 8–10 days (from 5–8), and Amazon up to 45 days. Chinese merchants have paused new shipments until stability returns, risking higher costs. (**ifeng**)