BEIJING - China's top political advisory body started a annual session on Sunday, kicking off an important policy work that will highlight new missions for the country's goal of a "great modern socialist country." Yu Zhengsheng, chairman of the 12th Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) National Committee, delivered a work report to 2,149 political advisers who gathered to discuss major political, economic, and social issues of the world's most populous nation and its 1.3 billion people.

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