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Long Yong Tu has taken a key role in integrating China into multilateral and global trading arrangements and is an active player in promoting regional economic cooperation.

He dedicated over 10 years to bringing China into the global trading system as Chinese Vice Minister of Trade responsible for trade negotiations, multilateral economic and legal affairs. He was the Chief Chinese negotiator on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and China's accession to the World Trade Organisation. To mark this, Long was awarded the Man of the Year in Economics by China Central TV in 2003.

Long worked for the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in New York and DPRK for years and is now a Goodwill Ambassador to the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). In 2004, he received the Award of Excellence by UN Secretary General Kofi Annan, for his outstanding contribution to UN's partnership with China and promoting UN values.

Apart from his official duties, Long was the Dean of School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University. He is visiting professor of many renowned Chinese Academic Institutions, including the Peking University, Tsinghua University, Renmin University, Long did his post graduate study in the London School of Economics in the early 70's and holds a BA Degree of British and American Literature from Guizhou University.

In July, 2006, Long was awarded the honorary Degree of Doctor of Science (Economics) by London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).