

Growing Eurasian Axis: Ukraine wants to join Shanghai Cooperation Organization

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Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich said he is interested in the export of Ukrainian high-tech products to Asian countries and said Ukraine would like to get observer status in the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).

“The high-tech industry and its products are points of growth in economics and we are interested in working together with you to be able to work on third countries’ markets, primarily in the CIS and other countries,” Yanukovich said while meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Sochi.

Yanukovich said Russia is “adapted” and is a member of various international structures formed by the countries of the Asian region.

“For example, we would like you to become our partner in an organization such as SCO. We would like to get observer status in this organization to be able to take part in the integration processes taking place in the organization,” Yanukovich said.

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