

Study Questions

1. Why did Correa decide to build Sopladora? What implications will the loan with the Eximbank of China hold for Ecuador's economy?
2. What are the benefits and risks associated with the Sopladora Hydro Project?
3. Why do you think Ecuador chose Gezhouba and the Eximbank of China to conduct this project? Why were other international organizations such as the World Bank, CAF or the IDB not considered to finance this project?
4. How does the Sopladora Hydro Project fit within the overall strategic partnership between China and Ecuador?