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China's Unitree Robotics clears STAR Market listing review

Chinese humanoid robot maker Unitree Robotics has passed the review for its IPO on Shanghai's STAR Market. The company plans to raise RMB 4.2 billion (about USD 616 million) to support robot R&D and manufacturing expansion. Revenue surged from RMB 393 million (about USD 58 million) in 2024 to nearly RMB 1.7 billion (about USD 249 million) in 2025. **(Xinhua)**

Robot housekeepers set to enter homes in trial

A robotics company in Wuhan plans to deploy 100 humanoid robots in households for free trials starting in the third quarter of 2026. The robots can perform tasks such as cleaning, laundry and meal preparation. The program aims to accelerate real-world testing and support the commercialization of home-service robots amid growing demand from aging and dual-income families. **(China Daily)**

China's new-generation large atomic model tops performance in materials discovery

China's DPA4 atomic AI model has ranked first on the international Matbench Discovery benchmark for materials discovery. Developed by a joint team of Chinese institutions, the model delivers high accuracy with significantly improved computational efficiency. Its applications include batteries, semiconductors, catalysts and drug molecules, supporting faster and more cost-effective scientific research and innovation. **(Xinhua)**

Tech breakthroughs boost China's black soil protection endeavors

China has reported breakthroughs in black soil conservation under its "Black Soil Granary" program. Over the past five years, demonstration zones covering 12,900 hectares increased soil organic matter by 0.25–0.7%, reduced soil erosion by 80%, and raised grain yields by more than 5.2%. The program combines digital soil mapping, smart farming equipment and precision agriculture technologies. **(Xinhua)**

Guangdong champions new industry model

Guangdong is strengthening its position as a hub for advanced manufacturing and innovation. Private firms account for over 95% of market entities and contribute more than 60% of provincial GDP and foreign trade. Companies such as WeRide, Topstar and Dobot are expanding globally in autonomous driving, robotics and intelligent manufacturing, supporting the province's industrial upgrading. **(China Daily)**