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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2013 **COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 001-33863**

XINYUAN REAL ESTATE CO., LTD.

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(Address of principal executive offices) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F. Form 20-F ⊠ Form 40-F o Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1): o Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7): o Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. No 🗵 Yes o If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82This Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into the registration statement of Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Xinyuan" or the "Company") on Form S-8 (Registration Number 333-152637) and any outstanding prospectus, offering circular or similar document issued or authorized by the Company that incorporates by reference any of the Company's reports on Form 6-K that are incorporated into its registration statements filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and this Form 6-K shall be deemed a part of each such document from the date on which this Form 6-K is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

XINYUAN REAL ESTATE CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Yong Zhang
Name: Yong Zhang
Title: Chairman

Date: October 1, 2013

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99.1	Press Release of Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd., dated October 1, 2013

Xinyuan Real Estate Splits Chairman and CEO Position

--Mr. Yong Zhang to Continue as Chairman of the Board— --Mr. Xinqi Wang Appointed as Chief Executive Officer

BEIJING, October 1, 2013 /PRNewswire/-- Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. (NYSE: XIN, "Xinyuan" or "the Company"), a real estate developer with a focus on high growth cities in China, today announced that it has split the roles of chairman of the board and chief executive officer. The board of directors has appointed Mr. Xinqi Wang as Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") while Mr. Yong Zhang will remain as Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Xinqi Wang possesses more than 20 years of experience in the field of real estate. Before joining Xinyuan, he worked for the last seven years for Wanda Commercial Properties Co., Ltd., one of China's largest property enterprises, most recently serving as Vice President and General Manager of the Northern Projects Management Center. Mr. Yong Zhang remains as the Company's Chairman of the board of directors.

Mr. Yong Zhang, Chairman of Xinyuan, commented, "We are very pleased with the appointment of Mr. Xinqi Wang, a talented and highly experienced professional, as our CEO. Mr. Wang will focus on the daily management and execution of Xinyuan's operations in China, allowing me more time to focus on the strategic development and direction of the Company. This move also enhances the board's independent oversight of Xinyuan's senior management team and enables better communications and relations between the board, the CEO and other executive management team members. Xinyuan has executed well over the last year on its development projects. As we move forward, we remain excited about our business momentum and look forward to Mr. Wang's contributions to ensure Xinyuan reaches its full potential."

About Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd.

Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. is a developer of large scale, high quality residential real estate projects aimed at providing middle-income consumers with a comfortable and convenient community lifestyle. In China, Xinyuan primarily focuses its development projects in Tier II cities, Zhengzhou, Ji'nan, Suzhou, Kunshan, Xuzhou, Chengdu and Hefei. The Company's U.S. development arm, XIN Development Group International, Inc. is a pioneer amongst Chinese real estate residential developers, entering the U.S. market in 2012. Xinyuan is the first real estate developer from China listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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