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INVITATION TO UNDERSTANDING CHINA GLOBAL PARTNERS
IN EDUCATION CONFERENCE

To promote cultural exchanges and educational collaboration with countries involved in the Belt and Road initiative, and to establish a two-way platform for communication between Chinese universities and overseas educational institutions, 21st Century China Daily will host the first Understanding China Global Partners in Education Conference in Zhuhai, Guangdong province, from July 26 to 27.

The conference, co-organized with Jiangsu University, will bring together professionals in global education to discuss topics such as education and management of international student, the development of studying abroad in China, international higher education and collaboration.

We cordially invite heads of international education schools, international collaboration and exchange departments and overseas student management departments of universities to take part. We look forward to seeing you in Zhuhai.

Date

July 25-28

Venue

Beijing Normal University, Zhuhai Campus
18 Jinfeng Road, Tangjiawan,
Zhuhai, Guangdong province, China

Agenda

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| July 25 | 8:00-20:00 | Check-in |
| July 26 | 9:00-12:00 | Welcome to 2024 Global English Education China Assembly plenary session |
| | 13:30-17:30 | Welcome to Forum on Country Studies Course for International Students |
| July 27 | 9:00-12:00 | Cultural Tour |
| | 13:30-14:30 | Welcome to Global Youth Cultural Encounters |
| | 14:30-17:30 | Welcome to Understanding China Global Partners Meeting |
| July 28 | 9:00-12:00 | Welcome to 2024 Global English Education China Assembly |
| | 12:00 | Check-out |

CHINA AND UAE SIGN AGREEMENT ON CHINESE-LANGUAGE EDUCATION

中国与阿联酋签署《关于合作开展中文教育的谅解备忘录》

China’s Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Education of the United Arab Emirates, with public education institutions in the UAE, have signed a memorandum of cooperation for Chinese-language education. This marks another significant step toward deepening educational collaboration between the two countries following the

UAE’s decision to formally incorporate Chinese-language learning into its national education system in 2019. The memorandum outlines a collaborative effort to promote Chinese language learning in the UAE. This will be achieved through various initiatives, including expert and personnel exchanges.

HIGHLIGHTS

FORUM ON GLOBAL COMPETENCE TRAINING FOR POSTGRADUATES IN INTERNATIONAL CHINESE-LANGUAGE TEACHING

“国际中文教育专业研究生全球胜任力培养”论坛在北京召开

The Forum on Global Competence Training for Postgraduates in International Chinese-Language Teaching, jointly sponsored by the Association of Chinese Graduate Education and Beijing Foreign Studies University, was held in Beijing on May 18. With the theme “International perspective and global competence training for postgraduates”, forum attendees discussed best practice in international

Chinese-language teaching, international trade and country and regional studies. Participants talked about models for cultivating global competence in postgraduate students. The forum aimed to foster the development of top innovative talent with a global outlook and to provide a platform for mutual learning and communication among universities and research institutions.

ALLIANCE OF CHINESE-RUSSIAN LANGUAGE EDUCATION UNIVERSITIES AND CHINA-RUSSIA LANGUAGE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS FORUM

中俄语言教育大学联盟揭牌仪式暨中俄语言教育大学校长论坛在哈尔滨顺利举行

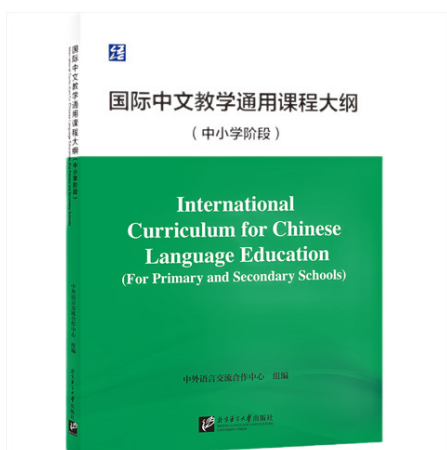
The Alliance of Chinese-Russian Language Education Universities and China-Russia Language Education University Presidents Forum in Harbin on May 18 brought together more than 100 leaders, experts, and scholars from 25 Chinese universities and 12 Russian universities. The alliance aims to foster deeper collaboration between Chinese and Russian universities in language teaching and promotion and other related fields, and to cultivate talent aligned with the needs of today's society, thereby contributing to the long-term development of friendly relations between the two countries.



Attendees at work during the forum.

CHINESE-LANGUAGE EDUCATION CURRICULUM PUBLISHED

《国际中文教学通用课程大纲》（中小学阶段）正式出版



Cover of International Curriculum for Chinese Language Education (For Primary and Secondary Schools)

A significant step forward in addressing the growing need for a standard approach to teaching Chinese language worldwide was taken with the publication in May of International Curriculum for Chinese Language Education (For Primary and Secondary Schools). It provides educators with examples of effective instructional approaches as well as a foundation for Chinese language education institutions to design localized teaching plans, content, methods, assessment tools and teaching and learning resources. It is expected to play an important role in promoting the standardization of Chinese- language teaching in primary and secondary schools worldwide.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

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KAZTEA, KAZAKHSTAN KazTEA and ARELTA Conference 2024

哈萨克斯坦英语教师协会 2024 学术年会成功举办

The International KazTEA & ARELTA Conference 2024 'Transformative Learning in Kazakhstan Education Context' was held in Kokshtay on June 6 - 8, 2024. The conference was of success as about 400 EFL teachers from diverse teaching cultures such as Russia, Romania, Costa Rica, Nigeria and China apart from Kazakhstan presented and attended both on-site and online events as well as prerecorded sessions.

21st century recommended Ms Xuanwei Ma, Phd from Beijing Foreign Studies University and Mr Bin Chen, MA from Soochow University to give paper presentations at the 20th Virtual KazTEA 2024.



Interactive with attendees at the conference.

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AFRICA ELTA Africa ELTA 8th International Conference

非洲英语教师协会第 8 届国际学术会议成功举办

The Africa English Language Teachers Association (ELTA) had its 8th annual international conference from the 30th of May to the 1st of June 2024. The conference was in Cairo, Egypt under the theme, "TRANSFORMING MINDS, TRANSFORMING LIVES IN ELT." More than 600 people from more than 25 African countries and more than 10 countries outside the continent were in attendance. There were 128 presenters of research-oriented sessions, workshops, presentations, and storytelling sessions.



A visit to the pyramids during the event.

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CHINA DAILY, BEIJING China Daily and Renmin University of China sign strategic cooperation framework agreement

中国日报社与中国人民大学签署战略合作框架协议

China Daily and Renmin University of China have signed a strategic cooperation framework agreement. Qu Yingpu, publisher and editor-in-chief of China Daily attended the signing ceremony. The partnership aims to increase collaboration between the two parties in international communication. By working together, both parties will be empowered to improve their international communication capabilities, thereby contributing to a more influential presence for China in the international public sphere.



Signing ceremony of the strategic cooperation framework agreement between China Daily and Renmin University of China.

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SOUTH CHINA NORMAL UNIVERSITY, GUANGZHOU Exchange program with University of Latvia unveiled

华南师范大学与拉脱维亚大学学生交换学习将常态化

During a visit by a delegation from South China Normal University to Latvia, a cooperation framework agreement with the University of Latvia was signed, outlining a plan to establish a regular student exchange program. The program will be built upon the two universities' existing partnership. South China Normal University will select and fund a designated number of students and one to two faculty members annually to take part in exchange programs at the University of Latvia.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

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NINGBO UNIVERSITY, ZHEJIANG PROVINCE

Agreement with Russian university signed

宁波大学与贝加尔国立大学签署合作协议

Dai Shixun, Vice President of Ningbo University, welcomed a delegation of young Russian scientists and technological experts at the university, during which Mikhail Kuz'min, Vice Rector of Baikal State University in Irkutsk reaffirmed its commitment to fostering collaboration between the two institutions in developing talent and in scientific research. A cooperation agreement between the two universities was signed.



Dai Shixun and Mikhail Kuzmin signed the cooperation agreement on behalf of the two universities.

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JILIN UNIVERSITY, CHANGCHUN

Agreements signed with British universities

吉林大学与多所英国高校签署合作协议

A visit by a delegation of Jilin University, led by Zhao Hongwei, Vice President of the university, to the University of Manchester and the University of Glasgow aimed to strengthen and broaden collaboration between Jilin University and the two British institutions in talent training and scientific research. During the visit to the University of Manchester, Zhao met Vice President Martin Schroeder, and they signed three cooperation agreements for establishing dual degree programs in materials science and life sciences. At the University of Glasgow, Zhao met William Cushley, Assistant Vice-Principal (International). The two parties agreed to work together in fields such as veterinary medicine, electronics and mechanics, and explored opportunities to expand academic exchanges and collaboration in student training.



Representatives of Jilin University and the University of Manchester after signing cooperation agreements.

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CENTRAL SOUTH UNIVERSITY, CHANGSHA

Central South University and universities in South Korea and Japan sign accords

中南大学与韩国、日本多所高校签署合作协议

A delegation of Central South University, led by Yi Hong, Secretary of the university's Party Committee, visited Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea, and Kagoshima University, Kyoto University and Tohoku University in Japan to explore opportunities for boosting student and personnel exchanges and expanding collaboration with these world-class institutions. At Yonsei University Yi signed a memorandum of understanding with President Dong-Sup Yoon, paving the way for collaboration between the two institutions in scientific research and student exchanges in medicine. During the visit to Kagoshima University, Yi Hong met President Akira Sano to discuss ways of working more closely together, including laboratory exchanges at a postgraduate level and faculty exchanges. At Kyoto University Yi exchanged views with Vice President Masahiro Ohshima on teaching, research and international education. Mutual interest was expressed in establishing a student exchange program for engineering. At Tohoku University Yi met Vice President Tetsuya Nagasaka and discussed ways of promoting exchanges between young faculty and researchers at the two institutions. They also explored the possibility of signing an inter-institutional cooperation agreement.



A delegation of Central South University, led by Yi Hong, visited Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea, and Kagoshima University, Kyoto University and Tohoku University in Japan.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

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TIANJIN FOREIGN STUDIES UNIVERSITY

Agreement reached with Kenyan university on
cultural and academic collaboration

天津外国语大学与坦桑尼亚特奥菲洛·吉桑齐大学
签署学术与文化合作协议

Li Yingying, Party Committee Secretary of Tianjin Foreign Studies University, welcomed a delegation from Teofilo Kisanji University in Mbeya, Kenya, led by President Hermas Mwansoko. Li proposed establishing a Tanzania Research Center at Tianjin Foreign Studies University and expressed interest in deepening collaboration in culture, education and diplomacy. The meeting culminated in the signing of an inter-university academic and cultural cooperation framework agreement.



Li Yingying (right), Party Committee Secretary of Tianjin Foreign Studies University, and Hermas Mwansoko, President of Teofilo Kisanji University, after signing a cooperation agreement.

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SHANDONG NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Agreement reached with Missouri State University on bachelor's degrees

山东师范大学与密苏里州立大学签订双学士学位联合培养协议

In a trip to the United States a delegation of Shandong Normal University, led by Wan Guangxia, Deputy Secretary of the university's Party Committee, visited Missouri State University and was welcomed by Clifton Smart, President of MSU. Representatives of the two institutions discussed their institutions' strengths and internationalization strategies, as well as potential areas for collaboration, including student training, faculty exchanges and academic publishing. Wan and Smart signed an agreement on behalf of their universities relating to a double bachelor's degree program in mathematics and applied mathematics.



Representatives of the two institutions at the meeting.

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SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL STUDIES UNIVERSITY

Agreement with University of Alberta signed

上海外国语大学与加拿大阿尔伯塔大学签署合作协议

A delegation of the University of Alberta, led by Verna Yiu, Provost and Vice-President (Academic) of the Canadian university, visited Shanghai International Studies University. Li Yansong, President of Shanghai International Studies University, welcomed the guests, and the two sides discussed their strengths, disciplines and international exchange programs. The visit culminated in the signing of a cooperation agreement laying the groundwork for collaboration, particularly in interdisciplinary programs.



Li Yansong and Verna Yiu signed a cooperation agreement on behalf of their universities.

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BEIJING LANGUAGE AND CULTURE UNIVERSITY

Agreement with Scholarship Office of Ministry
at Presidential Affairs of UAE signed

北京语言大学与阿联酋总统事务部奖学金办公室
签署框架性合作协议

A delegation led by Juma Ateeq Al Rumaith, Director of the Scholarship Office in the Ministry of Presidential Affairs of the United Arab Emirates, was welcomed at the Beijing Language and Culture University by Zhang Baojun, Vice President of the Chinese university. During the meeting Rumaithi talked about the scholarship office's functions and development plans. The meeting culminated in the signing of a framework cooperation agreement that covers student exchanges, cultural exchanges and other areas of collaboration.



Representatives of the two parties after signing the framework cooperation agreement.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

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SHANTOU UNIVERSITY, GUANGDONG PROVINCE

Agreement signed with Office of the Private Education Commission of Thailand

汕头大学与泰国教育部民教委签署合作备忘录

During a visit to Shantou University by a delegation led by Monthon Parksuan, Secretary-General of the Office of the Private Education Commission, part of the Thai Ministry of Education, the two parties signed a memorandum of cooperation to foster collaboration in culture, education and other areas. Liu Wenhua, Vice President of Shantou University, attended the signing ceremony.

COMING EVENTS

Jan 26-27

43rd Thailand TESOL International Conference, Chiang Mai, Thailand

Jan 31-Feb 2

20th TELLISI International Conference and Allameh Tabataba'i ELT Conference, Allameh Tabataba'i University, Tehran, Iran

Feb 17-19

28th NELTA International Conference, Lalitpur, Nepal

Mar 11-13

58th RELC International Conference, Singapore

Apr 22-24

NATE Russia Conference, Russia

May 30-Jun 1

Africa ELTA 8th International Conference, Cairo, Egypt

Jun 6-8

International KazTEA & ARELTA Conference 2024, Kokshetay, Kazakhstan

Jul 17-20

BRAZ-TESOL International Conference, Goiânia,, Brazil

Jul 25-28

Global English Education China Assembly, Zhuhai, Guangdong, China

Sep 8-20

IAICS International Conference, University of Opole, Poland

Oct 23-25

70th TEFLIN – 17th CONAPLIN International Conference, Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia, West Java, Indonesia



29TH IAICS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2024 – CALL FOR PAPERS
University of Opole, Poland. 18-20 September 2024

The 29th International Conference of the International Association for Intercultural Communication Studies will be held on **18-20 September 2024 at the University of Opole, Poland**. The theme of the conference will be **"Intercultural Encounters: Global perspectives – local contexts"**

We would invite submissions from all disciplines of social sciences and humanities, including cultural studies, media and communication studies and linguistics. All submissions will be considered. Accepted proposals will be eligible for submission to a special issue of the IAICS journal.

The following (and related) topic areas will be considered:

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| Language teaching and intercultural communication | Virtual intercultural communication |
| Intercultural business communication | Multi cultures and interculturality |
| AI (artificial intelligence) in language teaching | Intercultural communication competence |
| Anti-xenophobic curriculum | Culture and travel |
| ELF (English as a lingua franca) | Intercultural education |
| Culturally relevant pedagogy | Cross cultural encounters |
| Communication during and post pandemics | Indigenous cultures |
| IC in the healthcare systems | Comparative poetics |
| Cosmopolitanism in culture | Public policy |
| Intercultural communication and cosmopolitanism | Comparative literature |
| Shifts in Linguistics | Transnational enterprises and IC |
| Time and space in culture / literature | Social media and culture |
| Language and culture | Cultural study theories |
| Intercultural communication and nationality | Literature and religion |
| Language and identity | Culture and diplomacy |
| Comparative culture | Literature and film |
| Cultural identity | Language planning and policy |
| Interculturality in literature | Cultural Heritage and Communication |
| Cultural hybridity | Intercultural Business Communication |
| Diversity studies | Intercultural pragmatics |
| Intercultural communication and interculturality | Communication, stress and anxiety |
| Language Teaching and IC | Communication and therapy |
| Mediated intercultural communication | Computer assisted learning and teaching |




THE 6th UNNES-TEFLIN ONLINE NATIONAL CONFERENCE

English Language Teaching in Education 5.0





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CALL FOR PAPERS

- ✓ Differentiated Learning Strategies in Education 5.0
- ✓ "Merdeka Belajar" (Emancipated Learning) Application in Education 5.0
- ✓ Literacy-Based Learning in Education 5.0
- ✓ Technology-Based Learning in Education 5.0
- ✓ Culturally Responsive Teaching in Education 5.0
- ✓ Project-Based Learning in Education 5.0
- ✓ Assessment in Education 5.0
- ✓ Curriculum Development in Education 5.0
- ✓ Teaching Media in Education 5.0
- ✓ Integrated Skill Teaching in Education 5.0

CONFERENCE FEE

- Presenter IDR 200K
- Student Presenter IDR 150K
- Participant IDR 150K
- Student Participant IDR 100K

Conference Date & Mode

July 6th, 2024
7 AM - 4 PM (GMT + 7)

Online via
Zoom Meeting



May 23th 2024: Deadline of registration and abstract submission

May 20th 2024: Notification accepted abstract

June 8th 2024: Deadline of fee payment

June 30th 2024: Deadline of full paper submission (selected articles journal) additional publication fee applicable

July 31st 2024: Deadline full paper submission (post-conference proceedings)

July 6th 2024: Conference day

Registration link

<https://seminar.unnes.ac.id/event-teflin2024/seat>

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