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Beijing Normal University and Zhuhai Municipal People's Government Signed the Cooperation Framework Agreement

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On the afternoon of April 22nd, 2022, the signing ceremony of the Framework Cooperation Agreement of Beijing Normal University (BNU) and Zhuhai Municipal People's Government to improve the quality of basic education in Zhuhai was held at Beijing Normal University. Huang Zhihao, Deputy Secretary of the Zhuhai Municipal Party Committee, Mayor of Zhuhai; Guo Lishi, Member of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Party Committee of Zhuhai, Deputy Mayor of Zhuhai; Li Chong, the Municipal Government Party Member, Deputy Mayor of Zhuhai; Wen Hua, the Municipal Government Party Member and the Secretary General and heads of government offices and Education Bureau; Cheng Jianping, President of University Council of BNU; Wang



Shoujun, Member of the University Council, BNU, Vice President of BNU and Director of the Administrative Office of BNU Zhuhai; Wei Wei, Chairperson of the University Council, BNU Zhuhai, and heads of relevant schools, colleges and administrative departments attended the ceremony.

Cheng Jianping pointed out that the cooperation between BNU and Zhuhai Municipal People's Government to improve the quality of basic education in Zhuhai is an important measure for BNU to give full play to its advantages in basic education, serve the people of Zhuhai and contribute to Zhuhai. It is also a significant symbol of deepening cooperation, realizing mutual benefit and promoting

collaborative development. He said that BNU has always been committed to fulfilling the national mission and actively implementing the "Teacher Training Project." He hoped that this cooperation will promote the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) from all aspects, especially in talent cultivation, and that better meets the demands of the GBA. He hopes that in the future, BNU and Zhuhai Municipal People's Government will strive to jointly provide more high-quality basic education services and use their strengths to build Zhuhai's basic education brand. The goal is making Zhuhai and the GBA into a "Silicon Valley" of China's education, giving new models and successful



practices of basic education reform and development for other provinces and regions in the new era.



In his remark, Huang Zhihao expressed his gratitude to BNU for supporting Zhuhai, taking root in Zhuhai and serving Zhuhai. He said that Zhuhai is now embracing the great historical opportunity of the superposition of "Four Zones" and making every effort to propel the construction of the modernized and international special economic zone. The cooperation with BNU is of great significance and far-reaching influence. The Cooperation Agreement contains rich content and practical measures. Zhuhai will provide policy support and guarantee for the implementation of

the cooperation content. It is hoped that the two sides will establish regular work connections and an implementation mechanism to jointly boost the overall improvement of the quality and level of basic education in Zhuhai.

Li Chong and Wang Shoujun signed the Cooperation Framework Agreement on Improving Quality of Basic Education in Zhuhai on behalf of the two sides, while Cheng



Jianping, Huang Zhihao, Guo Lishi and Song Shanping, Executive Director of China Institute of Education and Social Development,

witnessed the signing of the Agreement which was presided over by Wei Wei.

Dong Qi, President of BNU attached great importance to the cooperation with Zhuhai and showed abundant support. After the signing ceremony, he met with Huang Zhihao, hoping that both sides will further implement the cooperation mechanism, improve the level and quality of cooperation at the critical stage of BNU since

it advanced the development strategy of the "One University, Two Campuses," and build a high-quality southern campus of the same level and standard as Beijing campus.

Before the signing ceremony, Huang Zhihao and his delegation visited the History Museum of BNU and the Achievement Exhibition Center of China Institute of Education and Social Development.

Education is the foremost and core mission of BNU. BNU will hold hands with Zhuhai to serve the development of basic education and dedicate to build a strong country in education and realize the modernization of education in China.



BNU Zhuhai Held Themed Lectures on "One University, Two Campuses" Development Strategy

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OPENING A NEW CHAPTER OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH DRIVEN BY INNOVATION

To meet the requirements of the University's inspection and rectification work and promote the implementation of the university's development strategy of "One University, Two Campuses," BNU Zhuhai held the first themed lecture on "One University, Two Campuses" in the afternoon of April 6th, 2022. Zuo Rui, Deputy Director of Department of the Science and Technology of the Scientific Research Institute at BNU and Director of Office of Scientific Research at BNU Zhuhai, delivered a report on the theme of Opening a New Chapter of Scientific Research Driven by Innovation. The lecture was presided over by Wei Wei,

Chairperson of the University Council of BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ.

In his lecture, Zuo Rui introduced the important remarks of General Secretary Xi Jinping on scientific and technological innovation. Focusing on the implementation of innovation-driven strategy and the construction of a scientific and technological powerhouse, he introduced the general situation of the university's research platforms, projects and the achievements of BNU Zhuhai in terms of the university's development strategy of "One University, Two Campus" and the construction of BNU Zhuhai. Zuo Rui



also shared the requirements and key issues to be noted for the application of scientific research projects in combination with his own managerial experience. He hoped that, under the guidance of the country's strategic goal of building a world power in science and technology, the teaching staff would adapt to the basic requirements of teaching and scientific research as soon as possible, make plans on scientific research, and enable scientific research to benefit teachers as well as students.

Wei Wei pointed out in her summary that the construction of BNU Zhuhai and the transformation and upgrading of BNUZ have put forward higher requirements for the staff on their scientific research



work. She hoped that the teaching staff of BNU Zhuhai would actively participate in and raise their level of scientific research, enhance their bottom-line awareness of scientific research, and strive to achieve better results contributing to the construction of BNU into "a comprehensive, research-oriented, world-class university with Chinese characteristics and leader of teacher education."



THE MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITY OF BNU TO FORM A CLOSER EMOTIONAL BOND BETWEEN HONG KONG & MACAO RESIDENTS AND THE MOTHERLAND

On the afternoon of April 13th, 2022, the second themed lecture on the Development Strategy of "One University, Two Campuses" was held at Muduo Building-A215.

Chen Xi, Director of International Education Affairs, Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) and Beijing Normal University, Zhuhai (BNUZ), and Dean of Phoenix School, delivered a themed report entitled "The Mission and Responsibility of BNU to Form a Closer Emotional Bond Between Hong Kong & Macao Residents and the Motherland" to the staff of the BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ. The lecture was presided over by Wei Wei, Chairperson of the University Council of BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ.

Chen Xi firstly explained the connotation of the returning of the hearts and souls of Hong Kong and Macao people and emphasized the mission and responsibility of BNU Zhuhai in her speech. She focused on the strategic role of universities in serving Hong Kong and Macao, the

positioning of the Greater Bay Area, the overall situation of national development, and the academic advantages and development strategy of BNU Zhuhai.

To be specific, aiming at implementing "The Action Plan of Education Cooperation for the Guangdong - Hong Kong - Macao Greater Bay Area, and for Hong Kong and Macao," she proposed the idea that the channel for attracting talents should be expanded and the mechanism of cultivating talents and retaining talents will be improved to gather innovation resources in the Greater Bay Area and to build a high-level transformative platform. Furthermore, she mentioned that we should expand social services and strengthen cultural exchanges and integration among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao to gather young talents, enhance scientific research and innovation capabilities, build a social service system based on the Greater Bay Area, and to achieve the goal of training high-quality innovative talents with a global vision and world competitiveness.

Wei Wei summarized that for the internationalization of both BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ, higher requirements have been put forward to meet the needs of the construction of BNU Zhuhai and the transformation and upgrading of BNUZ. It is expected that staff of BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ can always adhere to the principle of "High Standard, New Mechanism, Internationalization," further emancipate the mind and draw on collective wisdom while absorbing all useful ideas to actively expand cooperation with universities in Hong Kong and Macao. The university should establish diversified partnership networks, enhance the level of education internationalization, actively promote the returning of the hearts and souls of Hong Kong and Macao citizens, and strengthen extensive overseas exchanges and cooperation. These will help make contributions to building Beijing Normal University into "a comprehensive, research-oriented, world-class university with Chinese characteristics and leader of teacher education."

UNDERGRADUATE TALENTS CULTIVATING IN THE CONTEXT OF "ONE UNIVERSITY, TWO CAMPUSES"

On the afternoon of April 20th, 2022, the third themed lecture on the Development Strategy of "One University, Two Campuses" was held at Muduo Building-A215.

Zhang Xiaohui, Deputy Provost of BNU and head of Department of Teaching Affairs of BNU Zhuhai, lectured on "Undergraduate Talents Cultivating in the context of 'One University, Two Campuses'." The lecture was presided over by Dai Wei, Deputy Director of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai, Secretary General of BNU Zhuhai and Vice President of BNUZ.

Zhang Xiaohui systematically expounded the general situation and progress of undergraduate talents cultivating in Beijing Normal University from six aspects: school orientation and talents cultivating objectives, discipline layout and major setting, cultivating plan and curriculum system, teaching staff and teaching resources, educational and teaching landmark achievements, and quality assurance system.

Zhang Xiaohui also introduced the key points of Beijing Normal University's talent cultivating work in 2022, as well as work arrangements and key tasks of the next stage for the Department of Teaching Affairs of BNU Zhuhai around



the "14th Five-Year Plan" of Beijing Normal University and the second round of double first-class construction plan.

Dai Wei pointed out in his concluding speech that Beijing Normal University is facing both opportunities and challenges in running a school in Zhuhai. How to cultivate "Four Haves" good teachers and top-notch innovative talents and deliver a large number of high-quality talents for the high-speed development of China's basic education and social and

economic construction of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay area, depends not only on Beijing Normal University's strong discipline foundation and talent cultivating experience, but also requires the faculty of BNU Zhuhai to further emancipate their minds and actively explore teaching techniques. It is hoped that we can work together to contribute to the transformation of BNUZ and the construction of BNU Zhuhai, and promote the work faster, with better and higher quality.

In the next step, themed lectures concerning the "14th Five-year Plan" and education as the national strategic priority will be given to the teaching and scientific research units as well as administrative departments of BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ by Lecturers Group on "One University, Two Campuses" made up of the leaders of BNU Zhuhai and BNUZ.



2022 Youth Talk - Zhuhai International Youth Online Dialogue Officially Kicked off at BNU Zhuhai

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The 2022 Youth Talk - Zhuhai International Youth Online Dialogue officially kicked off at A1 Art Gallery of Yuanbai Building of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) on June 12th, 2022, which was hosted by Zhuhai Foreign Affairs Office, co-hosted by the Macao Policy Research and Regional Development Bureau (DSEPDR), Information Office of Zhuhai Municipal People's Government, Zhuhai Education Bureau and organized by BNU Zhuhai. Ms. Tong Man, Director of Zhuhai Foreign Affairs Office, Mr. Cheong Chok Man, Director of the DSEPDR, Chen Xi, Director of International Education Affairs and Dean of Phoenix School and Director of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao

Cultural and Educational Exchange Center of BNU Zhuhai, heads of International Office & Office of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs, Publicity Department and Belt and Road School of BNU Zhuhai, foreign experts and international representatives participated in the event.

Ms. Tong Man, delivered a welcome



speech and Mr. Patti Peter, Mayor of Luganville City of Vanuatu, made an online video speech as a honorable guest of sister cities of Zhuhai. The 2022 Youth Talk - Zhuhai International Youth Online Dialogue officially kicked off.

Connected through the "cloud," 23 teenager representatives from Zhuhai, Macao and sister cities of Zhuhai, including Surakarta of Indonesia, Zaragoza of Spain, Luganville of Vanuatu, La Spezia of Italy, Braunschweig of Germany and Passi of the Philippines, elaborated on and exhibited the theme of "The Charm of My City" through well-recorded videos, which display the unique culture, custom, personal impression and stories of their city, enhancing understanding, gaining friendship and growing together through mutual learning.



During the interaction session, teenagers online and offline held friendly dialogue by raising and answering questions concerning culture or life of the youth. Joie Peter, a 14-year-old girl from Luganville of Vanuatu, who is very interested in the school life for overseas students in China, raised a question regarding the scholarship program in China. Imran Khan, a Pakistani student from Belt and Road School of BNU, shared his study and life experience as a scholarship awardee, introducing the first-class faculty, the picturesque environment and friendly international campus of BNU Zhuhai. He also expressed his warm welcome for studying in China and studying in Zhuhai.

At the end of the event, six teenagers were awarded prizes for Zhuhai Teenager English Speech Contest, which was organized to select the spokespersons of Zhuhai to participate



in the Youth Talk. Wang Yumeng from BNU Zhuhai won the third prize after competing with over 400 contestants.



The 2022 Youth Talk - Zhuhai International Youth Online Dialogue initiates a new communicative mode for Chinese and international youth. It creates a platform for the bond between young people of

sister cities and increases their friendly dialogue, better telling the stories of Zhuhai, the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and sister cities, and writing a new chapter in friendly exchange among teenagers at home and abroad.

This event was a significant benchmark by Beijing Normal University to make its contribution to build Zhuhai into a modernized and international special economic zone in the new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics, and to serve and promote international exchange and sister city development. Under the guidance of Zhuhai Foreign Affairs Office and in accordance with the construction principle of "High Standards, New Mechanism, Internationalization" of BNU Zhuhai and the deployment of the Global Development Strategic Plan of Beijing Normal University (2020-2025), giving full play to BNU's discipline advantages and high quality resources, International Office & Office of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs and other departments cooperated with each other to ensure the successful holding of the event, which is also regarded as a gift for the 120th anniversary of BNU.



The Future Education International Academic Salon Series Held

Article source: College of Education for the Future

In order to create an international academic atmosphere and a high-quality and international academic exchange platform for Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai), College of Education for the Future (CEF) held an International Academic Salon Series on Future Education, which has successfully been held 10 times since November 2021. Experts and scholars from the University of Cambridge in the UK, the University of Oslo in Norway, the University of Sydney in Australia and other top universities in the world have shared their research results in the field of future education. So far, nearly 1,000 teachers and students have participated in the event online and offline.

This Academic Salon series aims to invite researchers, experts and scholars at the forefront of international intelligent education to discuss the opportunities and challenges brought by big data and intelligent technology for future education with teachers and students at BNU Zhuhai.



1 Collective Intelligence in Education | Jeremy Knox: "Data, AI and Future Study"

On the afternoon of October 27th, 2021, the first of the Salon Series, "Collective Intelligence in Education," was successfully held in the conference room of F301, Lijiao Building and online. Dr. Jeremy Knox from the University of Edinburgh presented a wonderful speech and

discussion on the theme of "Data, AI and Future Study" to teachers and students. Sun Bo, Vice Dean of the College, all members of the Intelligent Education Research Center, and teachers and students from related majors of the CEF attended the lecture.



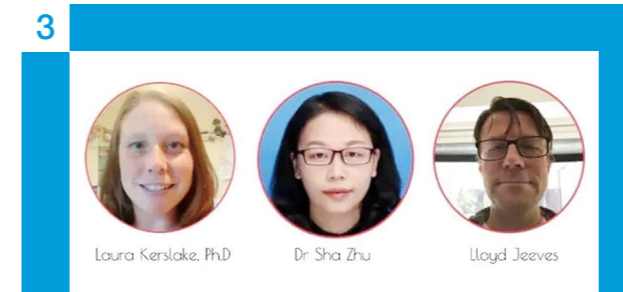
2 Collective Intelligence in Education | Rupert Wegerif: "Designing Education for Collective Intelligence: A Research Agenda"

On the evening of October 29th, 2021, the second of the Salon Series, "Collective Intelligence in Education," organized by the CEF was successfully held on the lakeside platform outside Lijiao Building-A101. Prof. Rupert Wegerif, Director of Digital Education Futures Initiative (DEFI), University of Cambridge, gave a wonderful report to the teachers and students of Zhuhai Campus on "Designing Education for Collective Intelligence: A Research Agenda." Zheng Guomin, Assistant to the President, BNU, Vice Director of the Administrative Committee, BNU Zhuhai, Dean of the CEF; Sun Bo, Xiang Benqiong and Hu Yongjian Vice Deans of the CEF and more than 200 teachers and students from BNU Zhuhai attended the event.

Zheng Guomin expressed his hope that the salon would bring more communication and learning opportunities to teachers and students, and keep abreast of the future development trend of education with the most cutting-edge international academic research results.



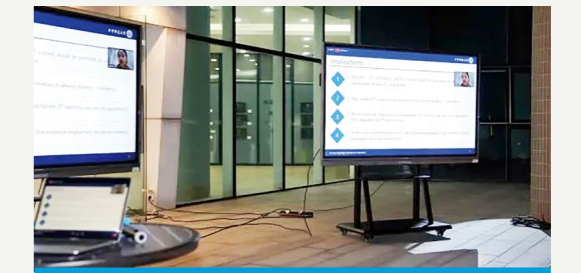
At the end of the event, Dean Zheng said that he looked forward to carrying out more cooperation and exchange projects between the University of Cambridge and the CEF. In the warm applause of teachers and students, the salon ended successfully.



3 Collective Intelligence in Education | Sha Zhu, Laura Kerslake, Lloyd Jeeves: Digital skills: Increasing teacher digital literacy

On the evening of November 15th, 2021, College of Education for the Future, BNU and the Digital Education Futures Initiative (DEFI) of University of Cambridge co-hosted the third International Academic Salon on Future Education. Dr. Zhu Sha from the Faculty of Artificial Intelligence in Education, Central China Normal University, Dr. Laura Kerslake from the Faculty of Education of the University of Cambridge and Lloyd Jeeves, Director of Cambridge Assessment Int'l Ed., were invited as the keynote speakers to deliver a speech and discussion on the theme of "Digital

Skills and Literacy - New Ability Training for Teachers." Professor Yuan Li from the CEF hosted the event. More than 100 teachers and students from BNU Zhuhai participated in the salon on campus together with more than 200 online attendees.



4 Collective Intelligence in Education | Tore Hoel: Challenges for Education under the AI Revolution: A Pedagogical Justification for Focusing on AI and Ethics

On the evening of November 25th, 2021, the fourth of the Future Education International Academic Salon organized by College of Education for the Future was successfully held in the lecture hall of Lijiao Building-A101. Tore Hoel, Senior Research Fellow at Oslo City University was invited to deliver a speech on "The Challenges for Education Under the AI Revolution: A pedagogical justification for focusing on AI and Ethics." The salon was hosted by Professor Yuan Li, head of the Intelligent Education Research Center. More than 100 teachers and students participated in the salon offline and online.



5
Collective Intelligence in Education |
Dragan Gašević: Learning Analytics in the
Age of AI: Opportunities and Challenges

On December 15th, 2021, the fifth Future Education International Academic Salon organized by College of Education for the Future was successfully held in the lecture hall of Lijiao Building-E310. A lecture themed "Learning Analytics in the Age of AI: Opportunities and Challenges," was presented by Dragan Gašević, Director of Centre for Learning Analytics at Monash University. The salon was hosted by Professor Yuan Li, head of the Intelligent Education Research Center. More than 50 teachers and students participated in the salon both offline and online.



6
Collective Intelligence in Education |
ED2122 – What will education look like
in 100 years?

On the evening of March 24th, 2022, the sixth Future Education International Academic Salon organized by the College of Education for the Future (CEF) was held online and offline. This salon was co-sponsored by CEF and the University of Cambridge, UK, and focused on the theme of "ED2122 – What will education look like in 100 years?" The offline venues were Lijiao Building-A101, BNU Zhuhai and the Digital

Education Futures Initiative (DEFI), University of Cambridge, UK. Scholars from around the world who are interested in educational innovation were invited to attend. It aimed to inspire and guide participants to explore the vision of future education and discuss the development trends and challenges of future education.



Three speakers were invited to this salon, namely Sir Isaiah Willington-Lynn, founder of London Interdisciplinary School, Dr. Emily Shuckburgh, head of the Energy Research Institute's PhD Training Centre, and Avi Warshavsky, founder of MindCET. The esteemed presenters shared their achievements and experiences in exploring new education models and teaching methods in their respective research fields and innovative practices, as well as their thoughts and insights on future education.

7
Collective Intelligence in Education |
John Gardner : Assessment in 2030 ..
in 2040 .. in 2050?

On March 29th, 2022, the 7th Future Education International Academic Salon organized by College of Education for the Future was held in Lijiao Building-A101. John Gardner, professor of Education and former Vice-chancellor of the University of Stirling, UK, was invited as the speaker of a lecture titled "Assessment in 2030 .. in 2040 .. in 2050?" He discussed the future development of education assessment methods and analyzed the core role of artificial intelligence technology in the complex future education evaluation. Presided over by Dr. Jin Yu, the salon was attended by relevant chiefs, teaching and research staff, and more than 40 students from the CEF both online and offline.

8
Collective Intelligence in Education |
Mark Johnson: Artificial Intelligence,
Statistics and the Future of Assessment

On the evening of April 21st, 2022, the eighth Future Education International Academic Salon organized by College of Education for the Future was held in A101 Lijiao Building. Dr. Mark Johnson from the University of Copenhagen, Denmark, was invited to discuss the application of artificial intelligence technology in the future education evaluation and the challenges faced by human beings on the theme of Artificial intelligence, Data Statistics and Future Education Evaluation. Dr. Mark Johnson is a senior researcher in the digitalization of education at the University of Copenhagen, Honorary Reader in the Department of Eye and Vision Science at the University of Liverpool, and leader/creator of the "Global Scientific Dialogue" course at the Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok. This salon was hosted by Dr. Cui Xin, and more than 50 students participated in the event offline and online.

Bo, Vice Dean of College of Education for the Future, relevant teaching and research staff and students of the College attended this salon.



9
Collective Intelligence in Education | Prof.
James Tognolini: Measuring and Assessing
Graduate Qualities at University

On the evening of May 25th, 2022, the 9th Future Education International Academic Salon organized by College of Education for the Future was held in Lijiao Building-B301. The guest speaker was Professor James Tognolini, Director of the Centre for Educational Measurement and Assessment (CEMA) at the University of Sydney. Professor James' research interests are in educational assessment, including the application and appropriateness of measurement models, and particularly the use of measurement information in informing system level planning; monitoring of standards; and, utilising data for improving school level teaching and learning. Sun



10
Collective Intelligence in Education |
Dr. Wayne Holmes : Artificial Intelligence
and Future Education

On the afternoon of June 23rd, 2022, the 10th Future Education International Salon "Artificial Intelligence and Future Education" organized by College of Education for the Future was held in Lijiao Building-A101. Wayne Holmes, PhD of Education, University of Oxford, was the keynote speaker at this salon. Wayne Holmes is a learning sciences and innovation researcher who teaches at University College London and is a researcher on Artificial Intelligence and education (AI&ED) for UNESCO, IRCAI (the International Research Centre on Artificial Intelligence, under the auspices of UNESCO), and the Council of Europe. Sun Bo, Vice Dean of College of Education for the Future, Prof. Yuan Li, relevant researchers and teachers and students of the CEF attended this salon.



Delegation of BNU Zhuhai Visited Macao

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At the invitation of University of Macau (UM), Macau University of Science and Technology (MUST), the Chinese Educators' Association of Macau, and Education and Youth Development Bureau of Macao, the delegation of Hong Kong and Macao Education affairs of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai visited Macao from January 6th to 7th, 2022. This activity was led by Chen Xi, Dean of Phoenix School and Director of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center. Heads from Phoenix School, Office of Hong Kong, Macao

for cooperation, and recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), hoping to deepen cooperation through joint efforts. Chen Xi said that both sides are located in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) and share common responsibilities. It is hoped that through this visit, the two sides will further strengthen the interaction and communication in personnel training, mutual visits of teachers and interdisciplinary construction, and make greater contributions to the practice of the development strategy of the GBA. The delegation also visited the State

of Macau, the delegation held cordial and friendly talks with Zheng Hongguang, chairman of the Chinese Educators' Association and chairman of the Association for Professional Development of Teachers. Zheng Hongguang introduced the 100-year development history of Chinese Educators' Association of Macau and thanked BNU for its strong support in teacher training and teacher exchanges. He pointed out that the "Famous Teacher Lecture Hall" series activities jointly organized by Chinese Educators' Association of Macau and



and Taiwan Affairs, the Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences, Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Education for the Future, School of Future Design and Department of Property attended the visit.

At MUST, the delegation was warmly received by the Secretary General of the Board of Trustees and Vice President Tang Jiale. Tang pointed out that MUST and BNU Zhuhai have a good basis

Key Laboratory of Lunar and Planetary Science, R Comprehensive Teaching Building, The Final exhibition of Creative Product design of the School of Arts and Humanities, the Golden Woodworking Laboratory, and the Exhibition Hall of the History and Achievements of the University. They also had an in-depth exchange with the relevant research and management team of MUST.

In the Chinese Educators' Association

Beijing Normal University in 2021, have been widely recognized by the education circles in Macao, and he hoped to carry out broader and richer cooperation with Beijing Normal University in the future. Chen said that the Chinese Educators' Association of Macau, adheres to the fine tradition of embracing the motherland and embracing Macao, and brings Macao's education community together. BNU Zhuhai will also inherit the red gene

of Beijing Normal University from the past one hundred and twenty years, continue to give full play to the disciplinary advantages in the field of teacher education and the geographical advantages adjacent to Macao, to help improve the educational background and level of Macao teachers, and provide assistance in teacher training and psychological health support.



In UM, the delegation had a warm exchange with Wang Ruibing, Acting Director of Global Affairs Department, Wang Chuang, Dean of School of Education, Li Mingyuan, Vice President of China Medical Research Institute, and other administrators. The two sides reviewed the fruitful cooperation between BNU and the UM over the years and had in-depth discussions on how to deepen exchanges between teachers and students, share faculty and laboratory platforms, cooperate in research and collaborative innovation under the framework of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao University Alliance, and jointly build the "One-hour Academic Circle." The delegation also visited the history museum and library of the University of Macao, during which they gained a better understanding of the founding history and development strategy of the



University. They also had discussions on topics of mutual interest, such as the establishment of the faculty and research institute, human resource management, and exploration of residential colleges in whole-person education.

In the Macao Education and Youth Development Council, the delegation held talks with Fung Ruomei, Director of the Department of Educational Resources, and other officials to discuss the implementation plan of the cooperative agreement signed by the two sides in 2021. The meeting reviewed the lectures and training jointly held by the two sides in 2021, covering education on constitution and basic law, national security and mental health, which achieved good results and were highly praised by the education community in Macao. In the future, the two sides will work together in innovative ways to carry out more lectures and training in more forms and themes for Macao teachers, including the management of primary and secondary schools, and provide more opportunities for Macao teachers and representatives of mainland teachers to communicate and learn from each other.



Through this visit the BNU Zhuhai delegation enhanced the understanding of those universities and institutions in Macao. The two sides exchanged ideas, reached agreement, further consolidated bilateral exchanges and cooperation, and promoted specific cooperation in personnel training, scientific research and teacher training.

Phoenix School Held a Seminar on Cultural and Educational Exchanges Between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao

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On the afternoon of March 15th, 2022, Phoenix School held a seminar on cultural and educational exchanges between Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao. The seminar was focused on the construction of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center and the preparation for the establishment of the Zhuhai-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center. Xin Jianbo, Director of Zhuhai Liaison Department of Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao Special Administrative Region; Yang Xueying, Member of Zhuhai Political Consultative Conference; Chen Xi, Director of International Education Affairs, BNU Zhuhai and Dean of Phoenix School; Guo Kanjun, Director of the Office of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs, BNU Zhuhai, and staff from Phoenix School who are in charge of related work also attended the meeting. The meeting was chaired by Zhang Ling, Assistant to the Dean of Phoenix School.

Guo Kanjun first introduced the



development history, institutional setup, enrollment, discipline construction, development orientation and the integration and exchange of teachers and students from Hong Kong and Macao with that of BNU Zhuhai. Yang Xirui from Phoenix School made a presentation on the establishment of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Exchange Center.

Later, Yang Xueying, Member of Zhuhai Political Consultative Conference, expressed her thoughts on the preparation for the establishment of the Zhuhai-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center. She

made five main recommendations. Firstly, build a platform for top-level design and mechanism innovation; secondly, establish relevant mechanisms such as goals, norms, and incentives; thirdly, to promote the in-depth integration of education chains, industry chains, and innovation chains; fourthly, enhance the level of internal and external two-way opening, and build a pilot demonstration area for cultural and educational exchanges between Zhuhai and Macao; and lastly, ensure the implementation of tasks such as bringing in personnel, making target plans, carrying out activities, creating brands, and summarizing materials.



Director Xin Jianbo introduced the training center of Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao S.A.R. and the education and training needs of civil servants, teachers, professionals, young people and other groups in Macao. He hoped that Beijing Normal University could leverage the regional advantages of space and area to promote cultural and educational exchanges between Macao and Zhuhai from aspects such as teacher resources, methods, concepts, etc. He expressed his hope that Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao S.A.R. could further play a role as a bridge and promote the in-depth integration of the two areas in the fields of culture and education.

The teachers of Phoenix School had

a full communication and spirited discussion with the representatives about the specific situation and further plans of the current work involving Hong Kong and Macao, the talent introduction policy in Zhuhai, and the two-way exchanges between Zhuhai and Macao.

Finally, Director Chen Xi introduced the development orientation of Phoenix School and the basic situation of the current construction. She reiterated the construction goals of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center and the establishment vision of the Zhuhai-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center. Director Chen pointed out that in the future, education and training for Hong

Kong and Macao should not only give full play to the advantages of Beijing Normal University in the field of humanities, but also fully expand the fields of natural science, language training, as well as interdisciplinary fields, and actively carry out specific projects. We must use technology to attract teachers, civil servants, young people and other groups in Hong Kong and Macao, so that Beijing Normal University can serve national and local development, and help Hong Kong and Macao integrate into the overall development of the country.

The representatives at the meeting expressed their hope to establish long-term contacts beyond this meeting, and jointly promote the construction of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center, the preparation for the construction of the Zhuhai-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center, and the cultural and educational exchanges between Zhuhai and Macao. After the meeting, the delegates visited the campus and Phoenix Language Village under the guidance of Director Chen Xi and the participating staff.



The Launching Ceremony of the International Volunteer Service Team of BNU Zhuhai Held

Article source: Phoenix School & International Office | Release date: 2022-04-01

On March 30th, 2022, the launching ceremony of the international volunteer service team of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai) and the unveiling ceremony of the BNU Zhuhai's international volunteer service base at Jinfeng Primary School in Zhuhai National High-tech Industrial Development Zone (Zhuhai High-tech Zone) were held. Two venues, BNU Zhuhai Venue and Jinfeng Primary School Venue, were set online and offline for this event. Guo Kanjun, Director of the International Office of BNU Zhuhai, along with other leaders from the Party Committee Publicity Office, Belt and Road School and Phoenix School showed up for the event. Wang Xingang, Party Branch Secretary and Principal of Jinding Middle School and Jinfeng Primary School, Wang Yan, Party Branch Secretary of Jinfeng Primary School and other teachers also attended the ceremony. International scholars and student representatives from BNU Zhuhai, as well as student representatives from Jinfeng Primary School, were also present.

At the Jinfeng Primary School Venue, Wang Xingang proclaimed in his



speech that Jinfeng Primary School has achieved initial results in cultivating talented young people who seek truth, innovation, kindness and beauty, by relying on BNU Zhuhai's rich and high-quality teaching, scientific research and international exchange resources, as well as adhering to the core values of "cherishing students like pearls, riding the wind and waves and heading for the sea." The establishment of the international volunteer service team and volunteer service base will further expand the students' international vision, promote the integration of resources with the university, and enhance close exchanges between the two sides.

At the BNU Zhuhai Venue, Guo Kanjun

first illustrated the connotation of Lei Feng's spirit and General Secretary Xi Jinping's significant instructions on inheriting Lei Feng's spirit. She said that the establishment of the international volunteer service team at BNU Zhuhai is a response to General Secretary Xi Jinping's call to write the Lei Feng story in the new era with practical actions. What's more, the great "Lei Feng Spirit" has always been upheld by international scholars and students of BNU Zhuhai, who actively participated in various voluntary services to serve the teachers and students of the school, promote the publicity of Zhuhai, and make suggestions for the introduction of international talents and services for school and society. At the same time, they not only strengthened their

sense of identity and belonging to Chinese culture, but also experience the rapid development of China's social economy and the friendship and warmth from the Chinese people while participating in the activities. Moreover, the formal establishment of the international volunteer service team of BNU Zhuhai will help the participants enter into the community, serve the society, and continue to contribute to the development of BNU Zhuhai, Zhuhai

High-tech Zone and Zhuhai.

Later, Guo Kanjun announced the establishment of the international volunteer service team of BNU Zhuhai, and the guests presented the letter of appointment of "Member of the International Volunteer Service Team of BNU Zhuhai" to international scholars and students.



Then, videos of the poetry recitation of "Prelude to Water Melody: When Will the Moon be Clear and Bright" performed by international students from BNU Zhuhai and the singing of the same poem performed by Jinfeng Primary School students were played at the venue.



Wang Xingang and teacher representatives jointly unveiled the BNU Zhuhai's international volunteer service base at Jinfeng

Primary School in Zhuhai High-tech Zone.

This event, concerned and guided by the Social Undertakings Bureau of Zhuhai High-tech Zone, aimed to carry forward the Lei Feng spirit of "dedication, friendship, mutual assistance and



progress" and promote international scholar students to enter into the community and serve the society.



Delegation of BNU Zhuhai Visited Zhuhai M.U.S.T. Science and Technology Research Institute

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On the afternoon of April 7th, 2022, Chen Xi, Director of International Education Affairs of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai), Dean of Phoenix School, and Director of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Cultural and Educational Exchange Center, along with her delegation, visited Zhuhai M.U.S.T. (Macao University of Science and Technology) Science and Technology Research Institute located in Guangdong-Macao In-Depth Cooperation Zone in Hengqin ("Cooperation Zone" for short hereafter). Wu Xiaoning, consultant of the Industry-Education Integration Affairs Development Office of Zhuhai M.U.S.T. Science and Technology Research Institute, and Li Jin, director of the office, warmly received them and held operational working talks.

During the meeting, consultant Wu Xiaoning made a key introduction to the general situation of the institute, future medium and long-term plans and key projects to be developed this year. He expected Zhuhai M.U.S.T. Science and Technology Research Institute to continue to strengthen cooperation and exchanges with BNU Zhuhai, and to further promote application research and development

of scientific research cooperation, think tank construction, and the building of non-degree training brands.

In her speech, Chen Xi said that this visit is a specific measure to implement the cooperation agreement between the two universities. It is necessary to fully integrate the educational resources of the two universities, to carry out cooperation in a wider dimension and at a deeper level in the joint training of students, the joint declaration of major topics, the exchange of digital cultural and creative industries and the co-construction and sharing of key laboratories in the Cooperation Zone. At the same time, they will combine the advantages of frontier interdisciplinary subjects of the two parties such as traditional Chinese medicine, general health, education, and psychology to develop some special social service projects in the fields of "big health + psychology," happiness education, family education and so on.

BNU Zhuhai and M.U.S.T. will jointly build a "Teaching,

Production, Learning and Research Demonstration Center" in the Cooperation Zone in Hengqin, to jointly promote the integrated and coordinated development of higher education in Zhuhai and Macao, and facilitate the development of international education, technology and cultural innovation in the Greater Bay Area.

The two parties also visited and exchanged views on the scientific research conditions and construction development of the Institute's Exhibition Hall of Innovation Achievements, the State Key Laboratory of Quality Research in Chinese Medicines (Hengqin Branch), and the State Key Laboratory of Lunar and Planetary Sciences (Hengqin Branch).



The Opening Report and Academic Symposium of NSSFC Major Project Held at BNU Zhuhai

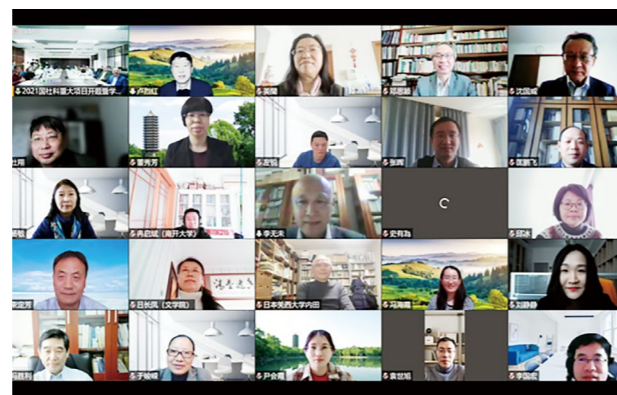
Article source: Center for Linguistic Sciences, Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences | Release date: 2022-03-21

On the morning of March 5th, 2022, the opening report and academic symposium of the National Social Science Fund of China (NSSFC) Major Project “Research on the Construction and Theoretical Innovation of Chinese Lexicology in the Context of Global Cultural Exchanges” was held at Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai). Professor Zhou Jian from Center for Linguistic Sciences (CLS) of Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (IASHSS) led the project.



The meeting was held both online and offline, with more than 70 experts and scholars from over 30 universities and academic institutions, including Peking University (PKU), Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU), Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU), Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), Shaanxi Normal University (SNNU), Shanghai Foreign Studies University (SFSU), Xiamen University (XMU), Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), University of Macau (UM), Kansai University (Japan) and Meikai University (Japan).

Wei Wei, Chairperson of the University Council at BNU Zhuhai, and Zheng Hongjun, Director of Guangdong Planning



Office of Philosophy and Social Science delivered the opening speeches. Chen Xi, Director of International Education Affairs of BNU Zhuhai, Zuo Rui, Director of Research & Development Office of BNU Zhuhai, and professors from other participating platforms also attended the meeting. The opening ceremony of the meeting was presided over by Li Jiayong, Vice President of the IASHSS of BNU.

Wei Wei introduced the construction of scientific research and cultivation of talents at BNU Zhuhai. She pointed out that the construction of the double first-class disciplines of BNU Zhuhai adheres to the construction principle of “dislocation, increment and promotion” and two disciplines included in the double first-class disciplines—Chinese Language and Literature and Foreign Language and Literature—largely develop based on linguistics. She hoped that the implementation of this project would be taken as an opportunity for the CLS to promote scientific research and disciplines construction.



Wei Wei's making a speech

On behalf of the Guangdong Planning Office of Philosophy and Social Science, Zheng Hongjun congratulated BNU Zhuhai on launching its first NSSFC major project. He hoped that the project team would seize the opportunity, give full play to the leading role of BNU as a first-class university and academic institution, produce a series of influential and high-quality academic achievements to better serve the development of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.



Zheng Hongjun's making a speech

Professor Shi Dingxu of GDUFS chaired the opening report of the project. Professor Zhou Jian and five sub-project leaders (Professor Lu Liehong of WHU, Professor Shen Guowei of BFSU, Professor Shu Dingfang of SFSU, Professor Dong Xiufang of PKU and researcher Du Xiang of the CASS) reported on their projects and implementation schemes. The experts and scholars present proposed constructive suggestions on those proposals and agreed that the schemes and targets of the project are practical and outstanding achievements can be expected.



Professor Zhou Jian reported on the project

Professor Fu Ailan, Director of CLS, said that CLS would fully support the project and expressed her high expectations for this endeavor.



Professor Fu Ailan made concluding remarks

The subsequent academic symposium was chaired by Professor Huang Xing, executive Director of CLS. Experts present had an animated discussion on the current research frontiers in Chinese lexicology.



Professor Randy Lapolla made concluding remarks

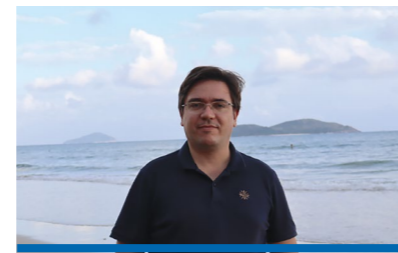
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David Bartosch's Paper Listed as the Cover Article of *Xinhua Wenzhai*

Article source: *Research Institute for Globalization and Cultural Development Strategies, Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences* | Release date: 2022-04-06

Recently, the academic article "Reflections on the Future Smart Cities in the Era of Digital Globalization" by Dr. David Bartosch, a German Distinguished Research Fellow of Research Institute for Globalization and Cultural Development Strategies, has been fully reprinted and listed as the cover article

of *Xinhua Wenzhai* (6th issue of 2022). This article was first published on the *Social Sciences Abroad*, the 5th issue of 2021. *Xinhua Wenzhai* (新华文摘) is one of the leading and authoritative academic journals in the field of humanities and social sciences in China. It has extensive and far-reaching academic influence.



This paper focused on a very popular topic in recent years, the "smart city," and discussed on the concept of "smart city" from the perspective of philosophy and semantics. From sociological and philosophical perspectives, it explained the correlation between changes in urban structure and changes in labor relations in different civilizations from ancient times to the present. The article also explored how the "city," as a sustainable social group, can liberate its workforce from an increasingly digital managed world into individual and collective self-improvement and creative work—and, most importantly, how to maintain the status and value of individuals in society after Artificial Intelligence becomes extensively involved in the lives of people.



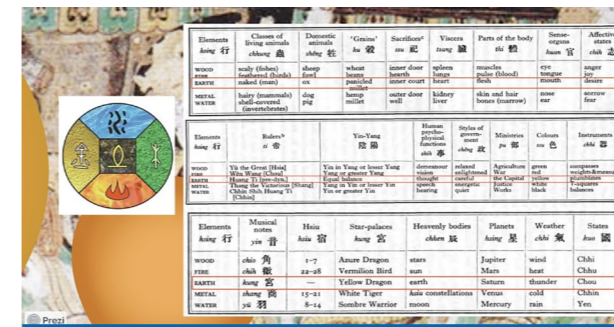
Dr. Peng Bei Presented a Scientific Research Paper in the European Academy of Sciences and Arts

Article source: *Research Institute for Globalization and Cultural Development Strategies, Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences* | Release date: 2022-04-21



On March 18th, 2022, Dr. Peng Bei (D. Phil from Heidelberg University, Germany) presented her scientific research paper 'Listen, Measure, Calculate: In Search of the Urton of the "Yellow Bell"' online, together with Jocij Faričić, a Croatian professor of geography

from the natural sciences field. More than 50 research fellows from all over the world attended the two lectures, and a fruitful and insightful academic discussion resulted from the presentations.



Based on the core concept of "yellow bell" in traditional Chinese music theory, Dr. Peng analyzed the word-formation logic of "zhong" and "huang" in oracle bone inscriptions, as well as related descriptions of music theory literature in the pre-Qin period. She also analyzed the special status of "yellow bell" as "the foundation of all things" in Chinese traditional culture from the interdisciplinary perspectives of conceptual history, music archaeology, Confucian philosophy and music theory.

Prof. Dr. Klaus Mainzer, President of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts also personally attended the event. He summarized and stressed the importance and great value of Dr. Peng's research results at the end of this important international meeting.



The European Academy of Sciences and Arts, located in Salzburg, Austria, is a worldwide academic organization with a high reputation in the fields of sciences and arts. EASA is dedicated to the discussion of current issues in different disciplines and culture-related research, as well as to promote the cross-national dialogue and cultural exchanges in Europe. The academy currently has more than 2,000 research fellows, including 32 Nobel Laureates.

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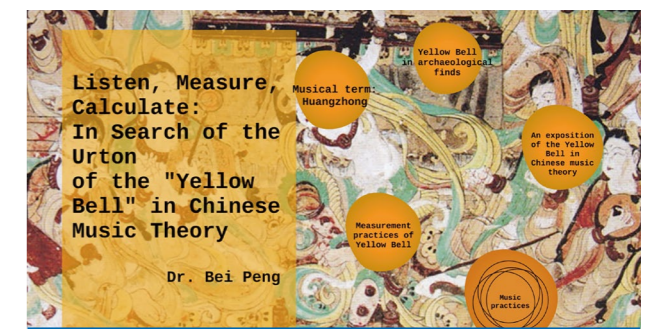
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Professor of Composition; Composer, Member of the Union of Composers and Musicologists of Romania, Member of the Union of Composers in Germany

Ioannis Liritzis, Dean Class IV

Professor of Natural Sciences-Archaeometry, Henan University, China; Corresponding Member of L'Academie des Sciences, Arts et Belles Lettres, Dijon



"Bronze Age Civilizations" Conference Successfully Held Online

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Academics on Bronze Age Civilizations at online international conference

The Research Centre for History and Culture (RCHC) hosted a bilingual English-Chinese online conference, "Bronze Age Civilizations", in March, 2022. This international event was supported by the Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences at Beijing Normal University (BNU) and the General Education Office of Beijing Normal University-Hong Kong Baptist University United International College (UIC). Professional English-Chinese interpretation was provided for those attendants who preferred to follow the presentations in Mandarin.

The conference featured presentations by 15 scholars from China and various institutions from Asia, Australia, Europe, New Zealand, and North America. It was co-chaired by Dr Chen Zhan, Dr Julien Cooper, and Dr Yegor Grebnev from RCHC.

The conference participants covered a broad range of topics related to the Bronze Age, including the development and spread of bronze-casting technologies, inter-regional interactions in antiquity, settlement patterns, economy and sustenance, and funerary archaeology. During the final discussion, opinions were exchanged regarding the heuristic usefulness of the term "Bronze Age" in contemporary archaeological and historical research.

Although the conference included three presentations related to the Chinese Bronze Age, its focus was not restricted to China. The geographic scope of the presentations also covered South Asia, Southeast Asia, Japan, Anatolia, Mesopotamia, Iran, North Africa, the Aegean, the Levant, and northern Eurasia, considered a large interaction zone.

At the beginning of the conference, opening speeches were delivered by Prof Chen Zhi, UIC Provost and Director of RCHC, and Prof Li Jiayong, Deputy Dean of the Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences at BNU.

Over 800 scholars and students registered to attend the conference,

with 100-250 participants present at each session, learning from the speakers and engaging in lively academic discussions on different research topics. This conference is the second international conference successfully held by RCHC, further strengthening the international profile of RCHC as a research hub committed to cooperation between scholars of antiquity from China and abroad.



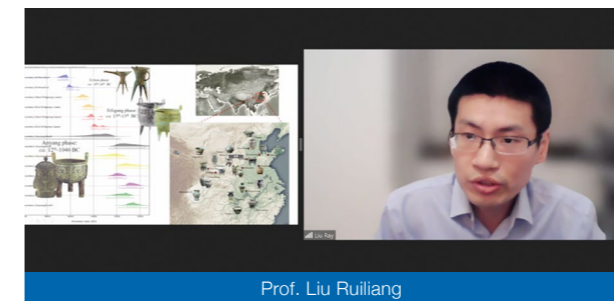
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Deputy Director Li Jiayong delivered a speech



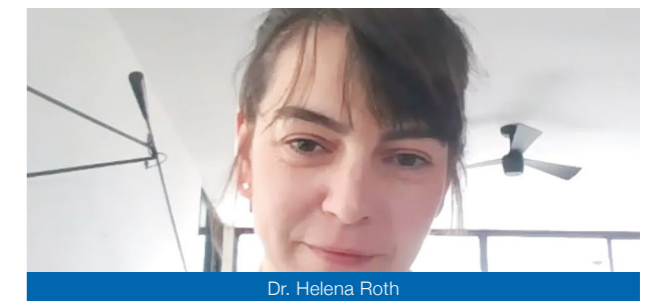
Prof. Li Jianshen



Prof. Liu Ruiliang



Prof. Tang Jigen



Dr. Helena Roth



Prof. Mark Hudson

The 2021 Annual Leading Project of the "14th Five-Year" National Key R&D Program Authorized to Professor Liu Baoyuan's Team of ESPRE

Article source: *Zhuhai Branch of State Key Laboratory of Earth Surface Processes and Resource Ecology, Advanced Institute of Nature Sciences* | Release date: 2021-12-29

Recently, the project "Soil Erosion Caused by Water, Wind and Snowmelt in the Black Soil Region of Northeast China: Processes, Coupling Mechanism and Control Principle (Grant No. 2021YFD1500700)," was authorized by the Ministry of Science and Technology of China with total funding of 59.8 million RMB. The project was led by the team of Professor Liu Baoyuan from the Zhuhai Base of ESPRE (State Key Laboratory of Earth Surface Processes and Resource Ecology), Advanced Institute of Nature Science, Beijing Normal University. This project belongs to the 2021 annual leading project of the "14th Five-Year" National Key R&D Program: "Technological Innovation in Conservation and Utilization of Black Land." It is also the first national key R&D project obtained by BNU Zhuhai.

Relying on the Soil Erosion Field Scientific Observation and Research Station (named Jiusan Station) at Nenjiang City, Heilongjiang Province, Prof. Liu Baoyuan's team has gained long-term data collection of field observation, sampling and investigation

throughout the black soil region of Northeast China.

The project is led by Beijing Normal University, and joined by nine other universities and scientific research institutions including Agricultural Technology Center, Northeast Institute of Geography and Agroecology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, 2Soil and Water Conservation Monitoring Center of Song-Liao Basin, SongLiao Water Conservancy Commission, Heilongjiang Water Conservancy Science Research Institute, Beijing Forestry University, 5Northeast Forestry University, Shenyang Agricultural University, Huazhong Agricultural University, Institute of Agricultural Resources and Regional Planning, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources, Chinese Academy of Sciences. The members mentioned above have formed a complementary research team with rich accumulation and fruitful results in the field of soil erosion and land degradation in the black soil region.

New “Max Planck Partner Group” Set Up at BNU Zhuhai

Article source: *Zhuhai Branch of State Key Laboratory of Earth Surface Processes and Resource Ecology; Advanced Institute of Nature Sciences* | Release date: 2022-03-14

Max Planck Society has recently approved Jingyuan Chen's application to set up a new “Max Planck Partner Group” at Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai). Dr. Jingyuan Chen from China and Prof. Dr. Jonathan Gershenzon from Germany will lead this newly established research group. The funding for the group is provided by the Max Planck Society for a maximum duration of five years.

In 2020, Jingyuan Chen obtained her doctoral degree with excellent performance at Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology under Jonathan Gershenzon. After postdoctoral training in the same lab, she was further appointed as an Assistant Professor at BNU Zhuhai.

Jonathan Gershenzon, a leading and well-esteemed scientist in the realm of chemical ecology, focuses on the ecological functions of plant secondary metabolites. Since 1997 Jonathan has been the director of the Department of Biochemistry at the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology at Jena, Germany. In 2021, Jonathan was elected as a member of the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina (short as Leopoldina), the oldest natural science society in the German-speaking region.

Max Planck Society supports fundamental research in the natural and social sciences in its 86 Max Planck Institutes. It has a world-leading reputation as a science and technology research organization, with 37 Nobel Prizes and 2 Fields Medals awarded to their scientists. It is widely regarded as one of the foremost research organizations globally. In addition, the society funds a number of Max Planck Partner Groups which can be set up with an academic institution abroad with the proviso that, following a research residency at a Max Planck Institute, outstanding early career researchers return to their home county and carry out further research on a subject that is also of interest to their previous host Max Planck Institute. The purpose of establishing such research groups in various countries is to strengthen the international networking between the Max Planck Society and



other academic institutions from abroad.

The establishment of the Max Planck Partner Group by Dr. Jingyuan Chen will strengthen the academic collaboration and exchange between the Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology and BNU Zhuhai. We believe this collaboration will bring fruitful outcomes to BNU Zhuhai in the realm of chemical interactions between plants and microbes.

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Qin Zhiwei's Group Published a Review in World's Top Journal

Article source: *Centre for Biological Science and Technology; Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-03-22



Recently, a review paper has been published in *Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition* by Distinguished Research Fellow Qin Zhiwei from Beijing Normal University. It is the top international journal in the field of food science and nutrition (Q1, IF = 11.18). This paper summarizes the information on the biological activity of *Prunus mume* Sieb. (plum blossom) *Et Zucc* (*P. mume*), the structure-activity relationships (SAR) of bioactive compounds from the fruit of *P. mume* and also its important applications in different fields.

Qin Zhiwei, Associate Director of Center for Biological Science and Technology, said, “This is the first review of our group at the beginning of 2022 and is also a follow-up work after the publication of the first paper in 2021, which can generally reflect our ongoing projects. This paper was published with the participation of four excellent undergraduates of Huitong College, which once again shows that the program, jointly formulated by Huitong College

and Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences for training the outstanding and creative talents, is successful. At present, our research group has achieved many milestones of interesting and important projects, such as targeted evolution of microbial natural products, antibiotic drug design and development, chemical basis of plant-microbe interaction, and industrial application in drug discovery of big data and artificial intelligence. More research papers will be published within this calendar year. Importantly, the undergraduates of Huitong College have contributed greatly to this.”

This work was supported by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, the Natural Science Foundation of Guangdong, and Beijing Normal University via the Youth Talent Strategic Program Project. Distinguished Research Fellow Qin Zhiwei, Dr. Yang Chao from Macau University of Science and Technology and Professor Jesus Simal-Gandara from Vigo University in Spain, are co-authors of this paper, and BNU Zhuhai is the first correspondence unit.

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Prof. Liu He Published a Research Paper in *Science Advances*

Article source: *International Academic Center of Complex Systems, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-02-22

Prof. Liu He from International Academic Center of Complex Systems published his research paper entitled, "Forgetting Generates a Novel State That is Reactivable," in the journal *Science Advances* on Feb. 11th, 2022. This paper discovered the new circuitry mechanisms for the brain to actively forget.

This research study used multiple new techniques, for example behavioral assay, in vivo calcium imaging and RNAseq, and found that the brain is in a new distinct state which is different from that in naïve and trained states at behavior-neural circuit-molecule

levels. And the brain in a forgetting state performs the same as in a naïve state, however, it is easy to transfer to a trained state. Therefore, it provides a new piece of evidence that the brain is highly flexible. Prof. Liu also found that the Glutathione pathways are associated with the trained and forgetting states, glutamate receptor and serotine receptor actively regulate the forgetting speed. Given the important role of serotine receptor in forgetting related diseases, for example depression and PTSD, this study shed light on the treatment of forgetting related diseases by dissecting the serotine receptor's function in regulating active forgetting process.



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Associate Research Fellow Wu Zihao Published a Research Paper in *Water Research*

Article source: *Center for Water Sciences Research, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-01-26

Recently, Wu Zihao, an associate research fellow at Center for Water Sciences, published a paper titled "Transformation of gemfibrozil by the interaction of chloride with sulfate radicals: Radical chemistry, transient intermediates and pathways" as a co-first author in *Water Research* (DOI: org/10.1016/j.watres.2021.117944). This study investigated the effects of chloride on the transformation of a common contaminant, gemfibrozil (GFRZ), during the UV/peroxydisulfate (PDS) process, elucidating the degradation pathways and solution toxicity.

At the same time, associate research fellow Wu Zihao cooperated with the research group of Prof. Fang Jingyun from Sun Yat-sen University, published a review paper titled "UV/chlorine process: An efficient advanced oxidation process with multiple radicals and functions in water treatment" in *Accounts of Chemical Research* as the co-first author (DOI: org/10.1021/acs.accounts.1c00269). *Accounts of Chemical Research* is an authoritative journal of the American Chemical Society, which mainly publishes scientific papers by corresponding authors summarizing

the systematic work of their research groups and prospecting related fields, with a 2020 impact factor of 22.384. The corresponding author of this paper is Prof. Fang Jingyun from Sun Yat-sen University.

In this review paper, the authors systematically expound the latest progress and regulatory strategies in their related studies, sort out the important progress and existing research difficulties in this field in recent years, and proposed forward thinking in the fields of ultraviolet/chlorine technology and active chlorine radicals.

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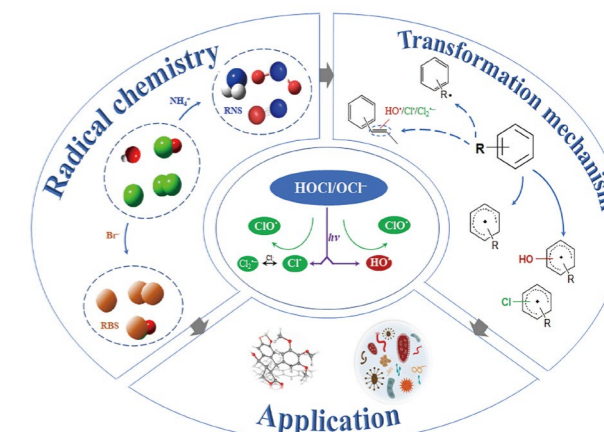
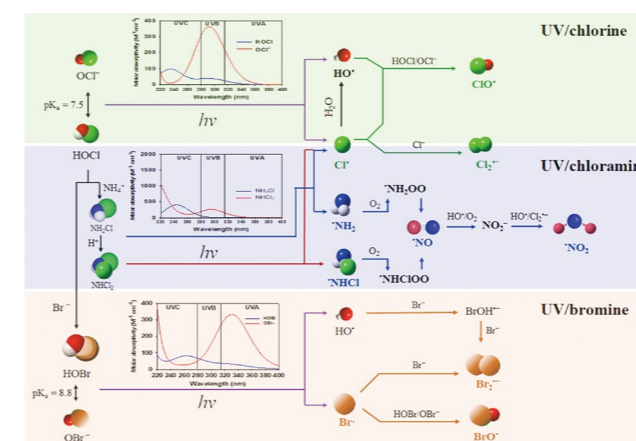
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Forgetting generates a novel state that is reactivatable

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Associate Research Fellow He Benzhao Published a Paper in *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* and a Review Paper in *Progress in Polymer Science*

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Recently, Associate Research Fellow He Benzhao developed a novel quinolinazine AIE system based on the RIV (restricted intramolecular vibration) mechanism. The quinolinazine (QLZ) molecule has

a curved structure and exhibits typical AIE luminescence properties. QLZ has different luminescence properties in different states, so it can visualize single-molecule motion and macro-molecule motion through fluorescence changes

and is an ideal molecular motion visualization model. The research results were recently accepted for publication in the journal *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*. (*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2022, 61, e202117709)

Paper Link: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/anie.202117709>

In the past ten years, scientists have developed many polymerization reactions based on activated alkynes and prepared many related functional polymer materials. However, so far, there are no relevant reviews to comprehensively, systematically and extensively summarize the progress of activated alkyne polymerization and the properties and applications of the prepared polymer materials. Based on

this, the author conducted a systematic summary, clarifies the basic construction principles, development strategies and optimization methods of each polymer through representative examples, and illustrated the diversity and attractive properties and applications of the obtained polymers, which are promising for providing novel guidance on the development of polymerization and the

preparation and application of functional polymers, and promote the development of polymer materials. The review was published in *Progress in Polymer Science* (2022, 126, 101503). The Center of Advanced Materials Research of Beijing Normal University is the first unit, and Associate Research Fellow He Benzhao is the first author and co-corresponding author of the review.

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This review was recently accepted for publication in the journal *Progress in Polymer Science* (Polymerizations of Activated

Alkynes *alkynes.prog.polym.sci.* 2022, DOI: 10.1016 / j. rogpolymsci. 2022.101503). *Progress in Polymer Science* is one of the world's top

academic journals in the field of Polymer, with only about 50 articles published every year. The latest SCI impact factor is 29.190.

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Prof. Liu Yajun Published A Review in *Photochemistry and Photobiology C: Photochemistry Reviews*

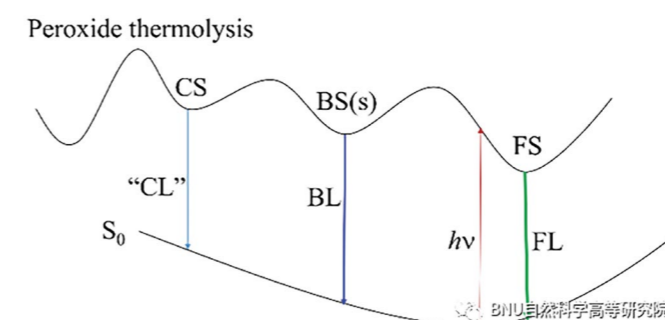
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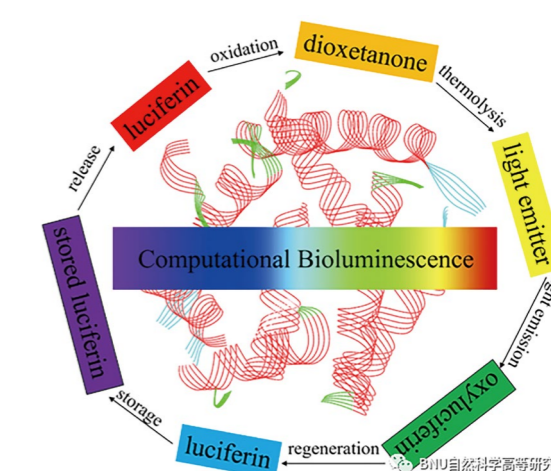
Review
Understanding the complete bioluminescence cycle from a multiscale computational perspective: A review

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Recently, Professor Liu Yajun of Advanced Materials Research Center of Advanced Institute of Natural Science of Beijing Normal University has made a complete review of the theoretical research on bioluminescence for the first time in history. The paper is titled "Understanding the Complete Bioluminescence Cycle from a multiscale computational Perspective: A review," based on summarized 476 published articles. This paper was accepted by the Journal of *Photochemistry and Photobiology C: Photochemistry Reviews* (impact factor 12.9). Professor Liu is the sole author of the article. The link to the article is as follows:

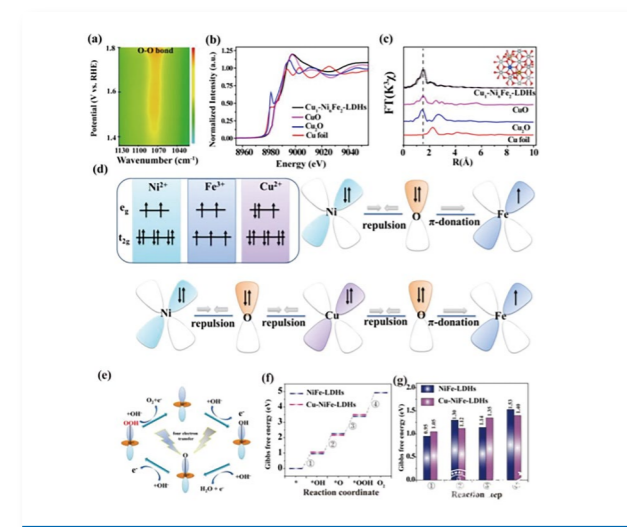


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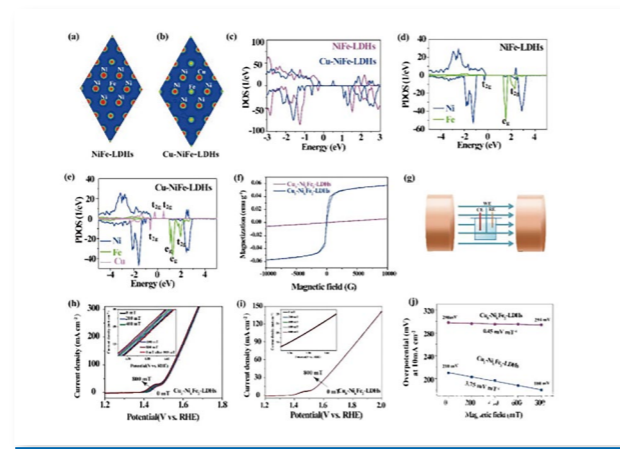
Prof. Sun Genban's Team Published Their Research in *the American Chemical Society*

Article source: *Center for Advanced Materials Research, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-04-27

Prof. Sun Genban of the Center for Advanced Materials Research and his team published their research in the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*: "Regulating the Spin State of FeIII Enhances the Magnetic Effect of the Molecular Catalysis Mechanism."



The team of Professor Genban Sun, Center for Advanced Materials Research, Beijing Normal University, has made important progress in the research of NiFe-layered double hydroxides (NiFe-LDHs) as OER catalysts: a novel magnetic FeIII site spin-splitting strategy has been proposed.



The work was recently accepted for publication in the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, a comprehensive Journal of chemistry. The *Journal of the American Chemical Society* is one of the world's most important academic journals in the field of chemistry. Together with *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, it is recognized as one of the most influential journals in the field of chemistry.

Beijing Normal University is the first completion unit. The research was supported by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, Center for Advanced Materials Research, College of Chemistry, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences, Experimental and Practical Innovation Education Center. Professor Genban Sun is the corresponding author, and Dr. Zemin Sun and Dr. Liu Lin are the co-first authors.

Dr. Muhammad Adeel of the Laboratory for Green Innovation Invited to be Chief Guest Editor of Two International Academic Journals

Article source: *Laboratory of Green Innovation, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-04-12

Recently, Dr. Muhammad Adeel of Laboratory for Green Innovation was invited to be the chief guest editor of two international academic journals, *Environmental Pollution* and *NanoImpact*. Since September 2021, Dr. Adeel has published 10 SCI papers in the fields of agriculture and environment, 4 of which are written as the first author (including co-author).

In December 2021, Dr. Adeel published "A Critical Review of the Environmental Impacts of Manufactured Nano-objects on Earthworm Species" as the first author. The article discussed the potential ecotoxicity of 16 man-made nanoobjects which were evaluated by reviewing the 2010-2020 literature in this field, and relevant studies

on the interaction between biological and man-made nano-objects in soil environment were reviewed, which is helpful to understand the safe application of man-made nano-objects in agriculture.

Dr. Adeel joined the Laboratory of Green Innovation at the Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences at Beijing Normal University in September 2021. His research focuses on sustainable bioengineering in agriculture and the environment. He has applied artificial nano-objects to sustainable development and green environmental protection, helping to reduce carbon emissions. The institute is committed to advancing the implementation of China's "dual carbon" (carbon peak and carbon neutral) goals.

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Dr. Rui Min from BNU Zhuhai Invited to Serve as Associate Editor of *IEEE Sensors Journal*

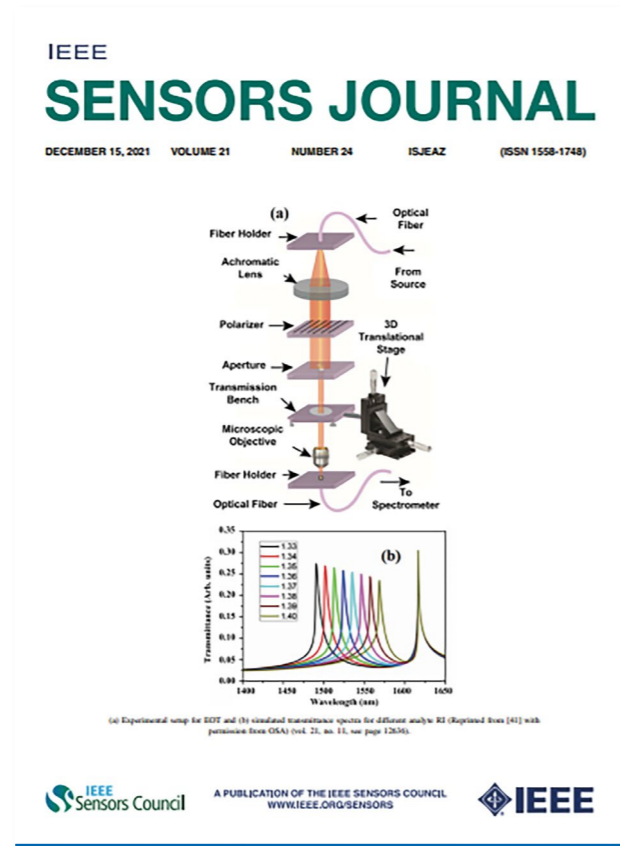
Article source: *The State Key Laboratory of Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-03-23

On March 18th, 2022, Dr. Rui Min, from the Center for Cognition and Neuroergonomics of the Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences of Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai), received an invitation from Professor Sandro Carrara, Editor-in-Chief of *IEEE Sensors Journal*, to serve as Associate Editor of the journal.

IEEE Sensors Journal (IF:3.301), supported by IEEE Sensors Council, mainly publishes the latest progress in the sensing area principles, preparation and application. *IEEE Sensors* is a T1 level journal recommended by the *China Instrument and Control Society*, a well-known journal in the instrument and control area.

Dr. Rui Min is mainly engaged in research on optical fiber brain interface probes, photonic neural networks and wearable devices. He has published more than 70 articles and conference papers in the sensing area. He also serves as Editorial Board Member of *Measurement* (IF:3.927) and Associate Editor of *Frontiers in Physics* (IF:3.560).

Dr. Rui Min's appointment will help enhance the international exchanges of BNU Zhuhai in optics and brain instruments and expand the influence of BNU Zhuhai in related research fields.



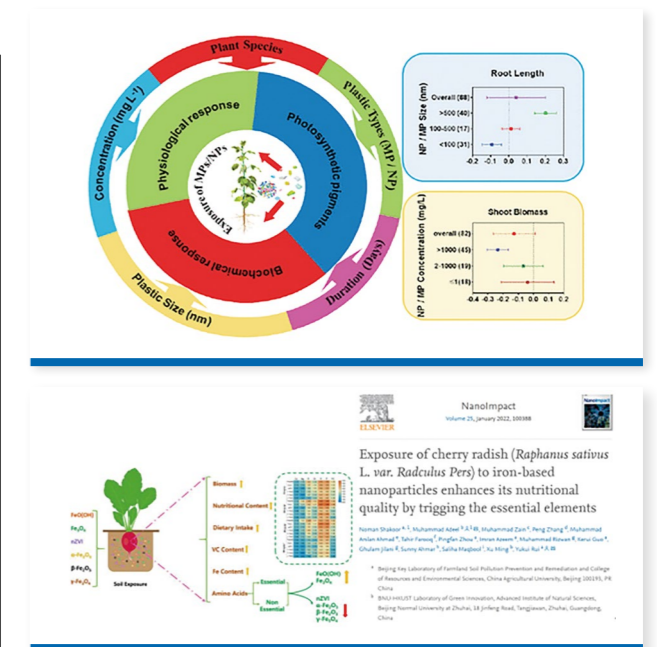
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Laboratory of Green Innovation Published Articles in Top Environment Journals

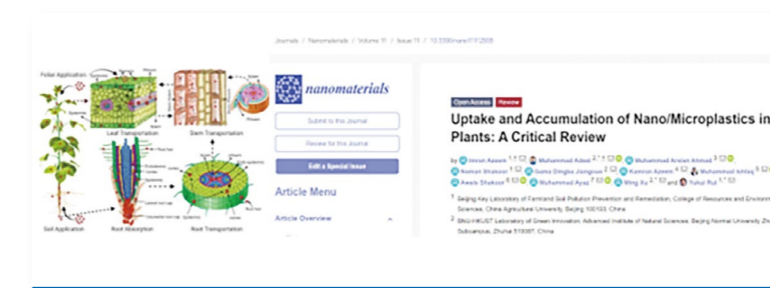
Article source: *Laboratory of Green Innovation, Advanced Institute of Natural Sciences* | Release date: 2022-06-02

On May 25th, 2022, Xu Ming, Director of the Laboratory of Green Innovation (LGI), as the corresponding author, and Muhammad Adeel, distinguished associate research fellow of the lab, as co-first author of a meta-analysis published in *Environmental Science & Technology Letters*, the top journal of Environmental Science, discussed the microplastic and nano-plastic pollution and interactions with plant species.

In January 2022, Dr. M. Adeel published a noteworthy research paper in *NanoImpact* as co-first and corresponding author on the global Iron (Fe) deficiency problems which affect over 2 billion people via inducing disability and anemia. Given this, practical efforts have been made to improve the optimum amount of Fe in the cherry radish diet. "Nano Cherry" concept developed by Dr. Adeel's group has a higher amount of essential and non-essential amino acid that is vital for normal body growth and development.



Original Article Link: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.impact.2022.100388>



In November 2021, a critical review from the lab was published in *Nanomaterials* with Prof. Xu Ming as the corresponding author and Dr. Adeel as the co-first and corresponding author, providing the current Snapchat of fate and transport of microplastic (MPs) and nanoplastic (NPs) in the plant-soil system. This study could help environmental regulatory authorities improve their strategies and laws regarding MP and NP pollution.

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The 7th Annual Conference and Academic Seminar of TRA of CSCL Held

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From April 15th to 17th, 2022, the Seventh Annual Conference and Academic Seminar of the Teaching Research Association (TRA) of the Chinese Society of Comparative Literature (CSCL) was successfully held in Beijing Normal University at Zhuhai (BNU Zhuhai). This conference was co-hosted by TRA of CSCL and BNU, and co-organized by the Chinese Department of Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS), BNU, and School of Chinese Language and Literature (SCLL), BNU. It was held online on Tencent Meeting and other platforms for live streaming. More than 230 professors and postgraduates were invited, who came from more than 90 universities, including BNU, Peking University (PKU), Renmin University of China (RUC), Fudan University (FDU), Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU), Nankai University (NKU), East China Normal University (ECNU), Shanghai International Studies University (SISU), Tianjin Normal University (TNU), Fujian Normal University (FNU), South China Normal University (SCNU), Xiangtan University (XTU), Henan University (HNU), Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU) and Southern University of Science and Technology (SUST). This seminar was also one of the academic activities celebrating the 120th birthday of BNU.

(Xueshuzhi, Zhuhai Yun and Tencent Meeting), with more than 160,000 persons having watched the seminar.

The main topic of this annual conference was "Curriculum and Teaching of Comparative Literature from the Perspective of New Liberal Arts." According to it, nine sub-topics were decided: "Ideological and Political Education in Comparative Literature," "Teaching and Learning of Classical Works in Primary and Secondary Schools from the Perspective of Comparative Literature," "World Literature Teaching: Cross-Cultural Practice in the Era of Globalization," "Inheritance and Innovation of Comparative Literature Textbooks," "Digital Humanities and Innovation of Comparative Literature Courses and Teaching," "Improvement of Humanistic Values in the Greater Bay Area of Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau and the Development of Comparative Literature," "Comparative Literature and Cross-Cultural Research: Theory and Practice" and "Research on Area Studies from the Perspective of Comparative Literature." These topics received considerable attention from academia and the media. Comparative literature is able to lead the reform of liberal arts teaching and talents cultivation with an open mind and creative thinking under the background of constructing new liberal arts, owing to its inter-disciplinary features; in the meantime, comparative literature that combines Chinese and foreign literature has irreplaceable significance on better telling China's stories to the world and increasing cross-cultural communication under the background of globalization.

On the morning of April 16th, Professor Yao Jianbin, Vice President and Secretary-General of TRA of CSCL and Dean of Chinese Department of FAS, BNU, hosted the opening ceremony. He extended a warm welcome and sincere thankfulness for the guests' presence and support. He also briefly introduced the association and paid tribute to Professor Le Daiyun and Professor Chen Dun.



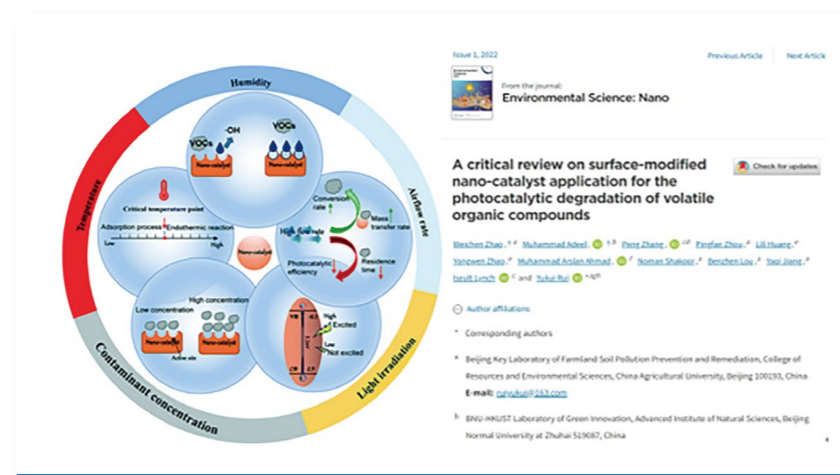
The preview and agenda of the conference was posted on more than 10 WeChat official accounts and 1 H5 mini-program in advance, receiving almost 10,000 clicks within a few days. The opening ceremony, closing ceremony and keynote address were all live streamed on three platforms



In December 2021, Dr. Adeel published a comprehensive review paper as first author in *Environmental Pollution*. The paper focuses on scientific literature between 2010- 2020 and critically evaluates the potential ecotoxicity of 16 different metal-, metal oxide- or carbon-based manufactured nano objects (MNOs) types. This review sheds light on a knowledge gap as investigating bio-nano interplay in soil environment improves our understanding for safer applications of MNOs in the agricultural environment.

Original Article Link: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2021.118041>

In December 2021, Dr. Adeel published another engaging article as co-first author in *Environmental Science: Nano* and summarized the recent reports of the nano-catalyst surface modification technology, including overcoming internal and external limitations nano-catalysts and improving the method of photocatalytic degradation of VOCs. These technologies can improve the efficiency of photocatalytic degradation of VOC.



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The lab is developing their own research team and planning to offer an undergraduate course entitled "Nanotechnology-Fundamentals

and Applications" in the coming autumn semester. Mainly, the focus of the lab is on the application of MNOs for sustainable development

and green environmental protection, helping China to achieve peak carbon emissions more quickly and then carbon neutrality.

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Professor Yao Jianbin hosts the opening ceremony

Professor Zheng Guomin, Assistant to the President of BNU, introduced the development of BNU Zhuhai and pointed out that the Zhuhai campus plays an important role in BNU's development strategy of "One University, Two Campuses." He fully acknowledged the achievements of the Chinese Department of FAS, as well as the academic value and practical significance of this conference. In addition, he welcomed scholars from around the world to host academic activities in beautiful BNU Zhuhai.



Professor Zheng Guomin delivers remarks

Professor Chen Dun, the founding President of TRA of CSCL, fully acknowledged the work done by the association and the significance of the topics discussed in this conference. He further highlighted the value and function of comparative literature from the meaningful perspective of national development strategies and building a global community of shared future. Professor Cao Shunqing, Vice Chairman of Teaching Steering Committee of Chinese, Chinese Ministry of Education, introduced the committee work and hoped to strengthen the cooperation in curriculum, teaching, and professional research on comparative literature. He thought the annual conference was significant to cross-cultural communication and the cultivation of talents with a cross-cultural mindset. Ye Shumian, President of CSCL, stressed the crucial role and increasing significance of comparative literature in leading the reform of liberal arts under the background of constructing new liberal arts and globalization. He also combined some cutting-edge questions to emphasize ideological and political education as well as cultural awareness.

Professor Wang Lijun, Dean of SCLL, BNU, reviewed the long history and looked forward to the future development of SCLL and its Department of Comparative Literature and World Literature (CLWL). He highly acknowledged the



Professor Chen Dun delivers remarks



Professor Ye Shuxian delivers remarks

contributions of CLWL in SCLL's construction of world-class Chinese subjects and considered this annual conference as an important one that responds to trends and invites interaction and conversation among different cultures.



Professor Wang Lijun delivers remarks

Liu Hongtao, Director-general of TRA of CSCL, gave his speech at last. He reviewed the 27-year history and summarized the good traditions of the association; he highlighted that comparative literature gains significant opportunities and resources from transformations in national strategies, academic subjects and educational information technology; he also believed that the mission of the association in this era is to



Professor Liu Hongtao delivers remarks

connect academic subjects to the outside world by taking part more actively in the Belt and Road Initiative and the construction of a global community with a shared future, as well as making contributions to national rejuvenation with the unique and

important power of comparative literature.

The conference included four rounds of keynote speeches, with 16 professors taking turns to address the main topics.

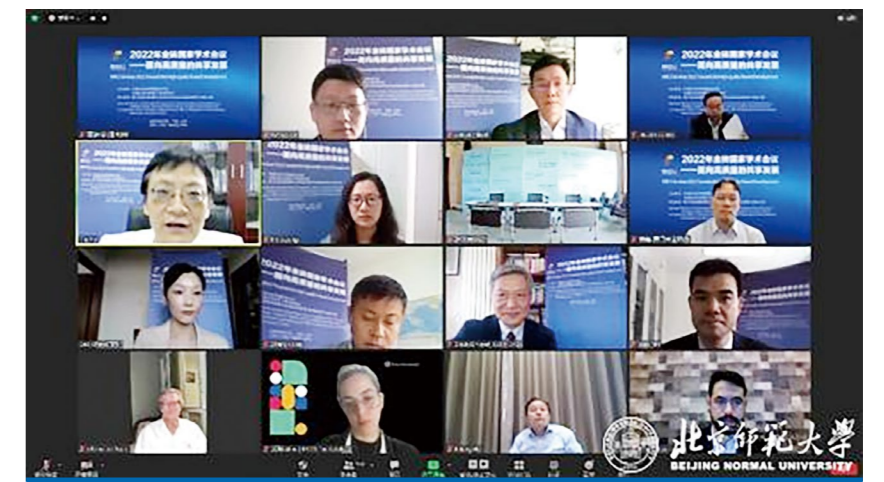
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Professor Hu Biliang Delivered Keynote Speech at BRICS Seminar 2022

Article source: Belt and Road School | Release date: 2022-06-08

China holds the chairmanship of the BRICS this year and hosted the 14th BRICS Summit. Prior to the Leader's meeting, relevant government departments held a series of BRICS-related seminars recently. On May 19th, 2022, President Xi Jinping delivered a video address at the opening session of BRICS Foreign Ministers' meeting. On June 7th, The BRICS Seminar 2022 video conference, hosted by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and supported by the BRICS Partnership on New Industrial Revolution Innovation Center, was held in Beijing. Under the theme of "Towards High-quality Shared Development," more than 100 experts and scholars from China, Brazil, Russia, India, and South Africa carried out in-depth discussions on issues such as BRICS and International System, BRICS and Global Development, and BRICS and Coordination of Development Strategies.

Professor Hu Biliang, Executive Dean of Belt and Road School of Beijing Normal University attended the seminar and delivered a keynote speech on BRICS and Global Development. His speech mainly



focused on three issues: first, the right direction of global development; second, China's development exploration and third, new ideas and new agendas for BRICS development.

Professor Hu Biliang believes that the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) sets a right direction for global development. He said that China has carried out successful exploration and made great achievements in reducing poverty, promoting economic

growth, improving people's livelihood, and tackling climate change. BRICS countries could refer to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and China's successful experience for implementing new development strategies and advancing new development agendas, including accelerating poverty reduction, ensuring national food security, advancing low-carbon energy transition, building economic resilience, and maintaining a conducive environment for sustainable development.

International Scholars and Students at BNU Showed Support for Zhuhai's Battle with the Epidemic

Article source: International Office | Release date: 2022-01-18

In January 2022, amid resurgent domestic COVID-19 cases, the epidemic prevention and control in Zhuhai faced challenges. In order to further call on people in Zhuhai to protect themselves and battle the epidemic, international scholars and students at BNU Zhuhai recorded video clips to encourage Zhuhai citizens to unite, and win the battle against COVID-19.

International scholars including Paul Lee from the United States, Adeline Heck from France, Christoph Stahl from Germany and international students, Imran Khan from Pakistan, Muchemwa Cephas Mawere from Zimbabwe and Malek Aldahrashi from Yemen encouraged people in Zhuhai to actively cooperate, protect themselves, get nucleic acid tests, wash

hands frequently, wear masks, avoid unnecessary travel and keep distance from others in public places in the videos, which were spoken in English and their native languages.

These actions not only showed their great support on fighting against the epidemic but also manifested their responsibilities for serving the community.

Teachers and Students of BRS Spoke Out for Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games: Together for a Shared Future

Article source: Belt and Road School | Release date: 2022-03-03

During the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games (Beijing 2022), teachers and students of Belt and Road School (BRS) of Beijing Normal University (BNU) spoke out through media both at home and abroad, showing the vision of "Together for a shared future."

When being interviewed by CGTN, Djoomart

Otorbaev, the professor of BRS and former Prime Minister of Kyrgyz Republic, said that the COVID-19 has brought new challenges to the Winter Olympics, but China has presented an unprecedentedly wonderful Winter Olympics to the world, showing the world its growing strength and potential. Beijing 2022 is progressed smoothly and the events were more exciting than ever.

International students and alumni of BRS have expressed their support for Olympic athletes through media both at home and abroad and sent their best wishes for China's successful host of Beijing 2022. Although the students are worldwide, they all have a strong affection for China because of their study experience in the country. In particular, in 2017 and 2019,

BRS organized field trips to Chongli district, Zhangjiakou, where students witnessed how a once undeveloped rural area has been converted to be the focus of global attention.

Darshana, a Sri Lankan alumna of the IMBA program of BRS of BNU, was the first to send a blessing video. He said, "When I studied in China, I had the honor to participate in the Chongli field trips organized by BRS. I am very happy to see the success of Beijing 2022 in this city. From Sri Lanka, I wish Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games all the best and a bright future for all of us. Together for a shared future!"

Alkanj, a 2021 student from Syria, said, "This global event brings people from all over the world together to show that unity can make the world a better place. I wish China prosperity and a happy new year. In the Year of the Tiger, I wish all the athletes can give their best performance on the world stage. Together for a shared future!"

Salum is an outstanding graduate of BRS and currently works in the Municipal Government of Songea, Tanzania. "China has perfect infrastructure, convenient transportation and a beautiful living environment," he said in a video



BRS organized field trips to Chongli, Zhangjiakou

message. "It should be very enjoyable to participate in or to be a spectator of the Winter Olympics in China, especially to enjoy the Chinese food! Congratulations to China for successfully hosting Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games and to the participants for achieving their goals. Together for a shared future!"

Sarvesh Lutchmun, a 2019 student from Mauritius, who now works at the Presidential Office said, "I have had the honor to visit Chongli in November 2019 when I was studying in the Master's Program of BRS of BNU and engaged in the field trip to Chongli organized by the School. I was privileged to witness the great preparatory work for the Beijing 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Games. What a wonderful experience. I wish Beijing 2022 a great success and I

believe that China will certainly surprise the world. Together for a shared future!" Imran Khan, is a Pakistani student who was enrolled in BRS of BNU in 2020. He said, "The unity, cooperation and expectation displayed by Beijing 2022 are bringing confidence and strength to countries around the world. Beijing 2022 has captured the attention of Western countries and the world, showing that despite the ongoing pandemic, the passion, joy and friendship brought by winter sports are shared by people all over the world. Together for a shared future! "

Imran Khan, who was admitted to Belt and Road School of BNU in 2020, is from Pakistan. He loves the School so much that he often participates in various activities and is also named "Fenghuang Ambassador." He loves Chinese culture to the extent that he pasted "Fu" in his room during the Spring Festival. He said the unity, cooperation and expectation displayed by the Beijing Winter Olympics are bringing confidence and strength to countries around the world. The Beijing Winter Olympics have captured the attention of not only western countries but also the world, showing that despite the ongoing epidemic, the passion, joy and friendship brought by winter sports are shared by people all over the world. Together for a shared future!

Liu Qian, Deputy Dean of BRS, expressed her opinions about Beijing 2022 in an interview with Guangming Online (GMW). "It is an important way for China to promote international



BRS organized field trips to Chongli, Zhangjiakou

communication and enhance its international influence encouraging international students to go out of the classroom and experience China. International students are important envoys to tell China's stories and spread

China's voice. To cultivate international students from countries along the Belt and Road is an important task of BRS." When it comes to bringing international students to Chongli to experience the preparatory work for Beijing 2022, she

said, "Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics is a beautiful memory for these students. I believe that in the future, more and more international students will come to China and become friendship envoys who understand and love China."

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"Love Zhuhai, Celebrate the Spring Festival" International Scholars and Students Celebrated the Spring Festival 2022

Article source: International Office | Release date: 2022-02-03

To create a happy and festive atmosphere, promote exchanges among different cultures and deepen foreigners' understanding of Zhuhai and enrich their experience of traditional Chinese culture, Zhuhai Foreign Affairs Office invited International scholars and students of BNU Zhuhai to join in "Love Zhuhai, Celebrate the Spring Festival" activities, experiencing traditional customs of Spring Festival, such as the lion dance and paper-cut. They also participated in a small dry ground curling competition to welcome the arrival of Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic Games.



BNU Zhuhai Held "Echo of the Valley, Sounds of BNU Zhuhai" English and Chinese Cloud Poetry Recitation Event

Article source: International Office | Release date: 2022-01-30

In order to celebrate the 120th anniversary of Beijing Normal University, promote the excellent traditional Chinese culture, and enrich the cultural exchanges between teachers and students of different nations, on the occasion of the Spring Festival of

2022, the International Office exclusively organized an English and Chinese Cloud Poetry Recitation event-Echo of the Valley, Sounds of BNU Zhuhai. Over 20 scholars and students from more than 10 countries met at the cloud, reciting the classics of Chinese poems and

being the echo of Fenghuang Valley. "The excellent traditional Chinese culture is the spiritual lifeblood of the Chinese nation." This event introduced the classic Chinese poems and exhibited the essence of traditional Chinese culture to the world.



BNU Zhuhai Held the Traditional Culture Activities of Shangsi Festival

Article source: *International Office* | Release date: 2022-04-25

In early April 2022, the International Office held the traditional culture activities of Shangsi Festival. Teachers, students and staff at BNU Zhuhai participated in this unique cultural event online. Through the exquisite festival videos, the scene of many ethnic groups celebrating the Shangsi Festival were presented.

The third day of March, also known

as Shangsi Festival, is an important traditional festival of the Han, Zhuang, Yao, Miao, Dong and other ethnic groups, as well as the Folk Song Festival of some ethnic groups. Originating in the Sui and Tang Dynasty, it has a long history of a thousand years. During the festival, people eat five-color glutinous rice, sing folk songs, and hold a series of activities such as bullfighting and throwing hydrangea balls.



2022 BNU Zhuhai Sports Meeting Held

Article source: *english.bnuzh.edu.cn* | Release date: 2022-01-30

On April 23rd, 2022, BNU Zhuhai Sports Meeting was held in the stadium of BNU Zhuhai.

Formations of sports-lover representatives, coaches, undergraduates, postgraduates, athletes, and teaching staff showed up at 8 in the morning, parading in the sunshine with the national flag and campus flag swaying in the breeze. Each formation wore uniformed clothes, marched in orderly steps, and danced with dynamic movements. The dance presented not only the characteristics of each school/department but also the youth and energy of students in BNU Zhuhai.



Dai Wei, Vice Director and Secretary-General of the Administrative Committee of BNU Zhuhai made an opening address. He highlighted that physical education laid the foundation for fostering students'

virtue and improving their comprehensive quality. President Xi Jinping emphasized in the commending event of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games that doing sports plays an important role in building



up people's all-around development and cultivating their bodies, especially teenagers' awareness of doing exercises, which should be fully realized and supported. BNU Zhuhai has always adhered to the code of "three-wide education," which is to educate students through all staff, whole process, and all platforms, as well as "all-round education," which is to strengthen moral, intellectual, physical, aesthetic education and education on the hard-working spirits at the same time. Zhuhai campus welcomed famous athletes like Lang Ping, Chen Yibing, and He Kexin to deliver lectures and courses, which received students' positive feedback. Dai encouraged teachers and students to learn and carry forward the Beijing Winter Olympic spirits, summarized by President Xi as "bearing in mind the big picture, being confident and open, rising to the challenges, pursuing excellence, and creating a better future together." He also hoped that students could strive for scores and excellence in a high spirit and show the Olympic spirits of "faster, stronger, together" in the sports meeting.

1686 athletes participated in the sports meeting, including undergraduates, postgraduates, teaching staff, and logistics staff, competing with each other in 86 sports programs. Participants also included 170 coaches and 76 volunteers. In sports meeting there were not only traditional programs like track-and-field events, ball games, and outward bound, but also interesting ones like cheerleading, tornado running, dragon boating on the ground, and nine-square basketball. The idea of "Public fitness and happy fitness" was fully demonstrated in these various and entertaining sports programs.



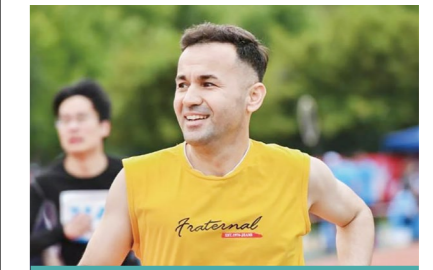
The sports meeting showed an atmosphere of joy everywhere, not only in interesting and competitive individual sports but also in cooperative team sports. Athletes won happiness and friendship in the process of collaboration. They tried their best for honor, displaying the sports spirits of being cooperative and fair, as well as the liveliness and energy of BNU Zhuhai.



Li Ran from Pakistan, who represented the Belt and Road School, took part in the 1500-meter run. He said this sport was chosen because it could increase lung capacity and was thus beneficial to physical conditions. Li felt joyful after the race despite a little tiredness. He thought his regular exercises improved his physical fitness. In

his daily life, he is fond of playing football, for it can not only make him strong but also bring him friendship and happiness.

Qin Fen from The Republic of Zimbabwe, who represented the same school as Li Ran, also took part in the 1500-meter run.



He felt surprised that the sports meeting could be held successfully, in spite of the influence of COVID-19. As for the reasons why he chose the 1500-meter run, he believed running could improve physical as well as spiritual conditions, making him more positive and energetic. Though he quit the race due to personal reasons, he still enjoyed the process of exercising.



The foreign teacher Christopher Stahl from the School of Future Design admitted to being a little exhausted after taking part in the sports meeting in the morning. But he also expressed the happiness that sports brought. In Germany, sports meetings are competitive in nature and everyone desires to win. By contrast, what he felt here was more of everyone's active participation and enjoyment in the sports and races than extreme focus on results. As for his ways of doing exercises, he said he has a routine of half-an-hour morning exercises, including yoga and stretching; he also goes hiking sometimes.

Hammad from Pakistan voiced his enjoyment after the race of nine-square basketball and volleyball



...serving, for the participants did not care about losing or winning too much but purely devoted themselves to the pleasantness of doing sports. He said he was happy about joining the sports meeting and looked forward to

the one to be held next time. When asked about daily exercises, he talked about his broad interests in sports. For example, he plays badminton and billiard in his leisure time and goes to the gym often. He also stressed the importance of physical training, which is a good way to keep healthy.

The foreign student Ripond from



Bangladesh said the participation in the basketball and volleyball races with other Chinese students made him excited. The young generation in his country mainly plays football, while he has more chances to try other kinds of sports in BNU Zhuhai, a place with a wonderful atmosphere and environment to do sports. He believed the habit of doing exercises has a positive influence on study and life.



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Huitong College Held a Series of Overseas Study Experience Sharing Activities

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On April 9th, 2022, Huitong College held an overseas study experience sharing activities in Lijiao building. The event was held both online and offline which were divided into two sessions: arts and sciences. The event invited senior students from prestigious universities such as Cambridge University, the London School of Economics and Political Science, University College London, Columbia University, Mississippi State University, University of Hong Kong, and Hong Kong Polytechnic University to share their experience of studying abroad for undergraduates.

The senior students first introduced the requirements for studying abroad, the choice of colleges and universities, the positioning and development of different majors, and shared their learning and living conditions in the period of studying abroad. Then, they presented their respective study plans and schedules, giving a clearer picture of the specific process of application for different countries. From their respective disciplines, they also explained in detail on the dos and don'ts when preparing relevant materials, how to write a personal statement, prepare personal resumes and letters

of recommendation, how to prepare for IELTS and how to gather information. In the Q& A session, the students raised questions on studying abroad and communicated with the seniors.

Finally, the senior students suggested that undergraduates should make a scientific and reasonable plan according to their own conditions, choose the colleges and majors suitable for them, and encouraged the students to make early and full preparations, face difficulties admirably, and strive for their future and ideals.

Students of BNU Zhuhai Got Good Scores in MCM/ICM Contest 2022

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On May 6th, 2022, 82 teams from Huitong College, Leyu College and Zhixing College of BNU Zhuhai won excellent scores in MCM/ICM contest. Among them, five teams won Meritorious Winner, displaying high-level professional knowledge and ability. In addition, 19 teams won Honorable Mention, with the rate of winning prizes being 25.6%. The incredible scores demonstrated the satisfying teaching results of mathematics and other related curriculum taught in BNU Zhuhai, as well as the collaborative efforts made by four advisors, Zeng Wenyi, Liu Jun, Zhou Wei and Jin Yu.

BNU Zhuhai students who participated in 2022 MCM/ICM embraced challenges with solid foundations of subject knowledge and positive spirits despite the impact of COVID-19. BNU Zhuhai



also gave strong support to them, including helping them come back to school earlier and prepare for the contest better in special rooms.

Students benefit from the MCM/ICM considerably because the contest can arouse their interest in learning mathematics and improve their ability of practicing, self-learning, cooperating

and expressing. Launched in 1985, COMAP'S MCM/ICM is known as the pioneer of MCM as well as the most influential MCM in the world.

The MCM/ ICM is an international contest designed to provide students with the opportunity to work as a team with three members to engage in and improve their modeling, problem solving, and writing skills. Teams are required to apply mathematics to model, develop and communicate a solution to a real-world problem in four days.

27205 teams are also known to have participated in the contest from different parts of the world. The rate of team winning Special Prize or Special Mention was 0.31%, while 7.09% and 15.35% were the rate of team winning Meritorious Winner and Honorable Mention respectively.



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