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Cooperation

May 12: The Delegation of Department of Science and Technology from South Africa visited UNEP-Institute of Environment and Sustainable Development (IESD), Tongji University



The delegation visited State Key Laboratory of Pollution Control and Resource Reuse.

Mr. Imraan Patel, Chief Director of Sector Innovation and Global Change, highly appreciated our research outcomes and expressed great interest in our current research field. He hoped that we could find an opportunity to collaborate and share information and experience between our sides.

On May 12, a team of officers from Department of Science and Technology of South Africa recently had visited UNEP-Institute of Environment and Sustainable Development (IESD), Tongji University.

The delegation led by Mr. Imraan Patel, Chief Director of Sector Innovation and Global Change from Department of Science and Technology (S.A.) came to Ming Jing Building, sharing experience in the field of environment and water pollution control. Dr. Li Fengting, Associate Dean of UNEP-IESD, gave a briefly introduction of our institute and main research areas.



May 20: 1st Sino-Danish Joint Conference on Sustainable Environmental Engineering is Held in the College of Environmental Science and Engineering at Tongji University



The opening ceremony of first Sino-Danish Joint Conference on Sustainable Environmental Engineering, co-organized by the College of Environmental Science and Engineering at Tongji University, Department of Environmental Science & Engineering at Tsinghua University, and Department of Environmental Engineering at Technical University of Denmark(TUD), was held in Mingjing Building, Tongji University on May 20th, 2010.

The conference aims to better understand social demands in the area of environmental engineering, share knowledge and discuss strategic solutions identify mutual scientific and business potential opportunities and strengthen the ongoing cooperation and professional networking, especially focused on environmental engineering and sustainable development.

The plenary lecturers include Prof. Mogens Henze and Prof. Thomas Højlund Christensen from TUD, Prof. Qian Yi from Tsinghua University and Prof. Per Halkjær from Aalborg University. The main topics involve the improvement of conventional environmental engineering technologies, novel and sustainable environmental process, environmental engineering and global warming and education of a sustainable environmental engineering curriculum.

The opening ceremony was chaired by Prof. Li Fengting, Vice Dean of College of Environmental Science and Engineering. Zhou Qi, Dean of College

of Environmental Science and Engineering, Xing Jijun, Director of Europe Division from MoST, Fu Guoqing, from Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality and Anders Kjar, from Science and Technology Consul, Innovation Center Denmark, Shanghai have respectively given their welcome addresses.

During the conference, Zhou Qi, Dean of College of Environmental Science and Engineering, has awarded the advisory professorship of Tongji University to Prof. Mogens Henze.

The next day, the experts visited Shanghai Bailonggang sewage treatment plant and Shanghai Expo Park.



May 24: Tongji- HSBC Leadership Program 2010 Was Held at Mingjing Building, IESD, Tongji TONGJI- HSBC Project: Strategic Research on Shanghai Low Carbon City Development Was Officially Launched



The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) and UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development at Tongji University jointly launched the "Tongji-HSBC Leadership Program: Environment for Sustainable Development" on May 24th, 2010.

As according to theme of Shanghai Expo and Urban Sustainable Development, more than 40 governmental officials who are involved in environment affairs from 12 provinces and autonomous regions attended this 4-day's Leadership Program. Meanwhile, renowned scholars were invited to deliver the lectures and media representatives actively participated in the program's discussions.

During the opening ceremony of Tongji-HSBC Leadership Program, Mr. Yisong XU, Vice Director of Shanghai Municipal Bureau of Planning and Land Resources and Prof. Yunsheng SU, the

representative of Mr. Zhiqiang WU, Chief Designer of Shanghai World Expo Park, at the ceremony

were invited to deliver keynote speeches. They indicated that a low-carbon economy would be an crucial choice for China. Great importance should be attached to environmental protection and urban sustainable development.

Tongji University also officially announced the launch of the Tongji-HSBC Project on Strategic Research on Shanghai Low Carbon City Development. The project aims to analyze the low-carbon development in Shanghai, so as to provide a blueprint for low-carbon sustainable development in Chinese urban areas.

The Tongji-HSBC Leadership Program was initially launched in 2006. Its original aim was to increase the awareness of environmental protection and sustainable development amongst potential leaders so as to nurture support for environmental protection in China.

The Leadership Program is held annually. Thus far, there have been eight workshops held with over 250 participants from different sectors, including national environment bureaus, non-governmental organizations, enterprises, media societies, etc.



May 27: Dr. John O. Kakonge, Senior Deputy Director, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation of UNDP (SU/SSC UNDP) paid a visit to UNEP-Tongji IESD

On May 27, 2010, Dr. John O. Kakonge, Senior Deputy Director, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation of UNDP (SU/SSC UNDP), together with Mr. Han Bo, Director of International Cooperation Department of South-South Global Assets and Technology Exchange (SS-GATE) paid a visit to UNEP-Tongji IESD, and had a fruitful discussion with Prof. Li Fengting, Vice Dean of IESD and Prof. Jiang Dahe, who has more than 30 years experience in environmental engineering. Both sides discussed potential cooperation between IESD and SU/SSC UNDP, including cooperative education programme and technology transfer from China to Southern Countries.



Jun.5-12: DPRK Visit by UNEP-Tongji IESD Representatives

From June 5 to June 21, 2010, Prof. Li Fengting, Vice Dean of UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development (IESD), paid an official visit to Pyongyang along with fellow Tongji professors Dr.Li Gongyu and Dr.Niu Dongjie. The main purpose of the visit was to discuss cooperation with North Korea's Ministry of Education and potential cooperation with its Ministry of Land and Environment. The group also had a fruitful conversation with Chief Secretary of International Cooperation Department of Ministry of Education , Vice Minister of Ministry of Land and Environment, and UNEP representatives Dr. Mahesh Pradhan, Dr. Hank and Professor Mario.



Jun.17: Sino-Italian "Environmental Assessment" Double Master Project Startup Ceremony Held at the Italian Pavilion in Expo 2010 Shanghai

The Official Presentation of the International Master Degree in "Environmental Assessment and Integrated Management in Urban Areas" commenced at the Italian Pavilion on June 17, 2010.



Mr. Fang Shouen, the Vice Secretary of Tongji University, participated in the ceremony alongside the leaders of the Tongji Environmental Science and Engineering Department and the managers of the Sino-Italian School.

Secretary Fang hoped this project would be a good platform to help stimulate deeper research and discussion between Tongji University and Italian colleges regarding sustainable development and environmental protection.

Upcoming Events

In July & August

Date	Event
July 5 th	Eco-Chongming Forum
July 5 th	ProSPER.Net-Scopus Young Researcher Award 2010
July 6 th	Award Ceremony of Klaus Toepfer Environmental Scholarship 2010
July 6 th – 9 th	ProSPER.NET Board Meeting
July 1 st -July 12 th	China-Japan-Korea Youth Summit
July 3 rd -Aug.28 th	Environmental Sustainable Development Training for Lawyers
July18- July 26 th	Sino-African Waste Water Treatment Seminar
Aug.16- Aug.21	Sino-Korea Youth Summer Camping

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