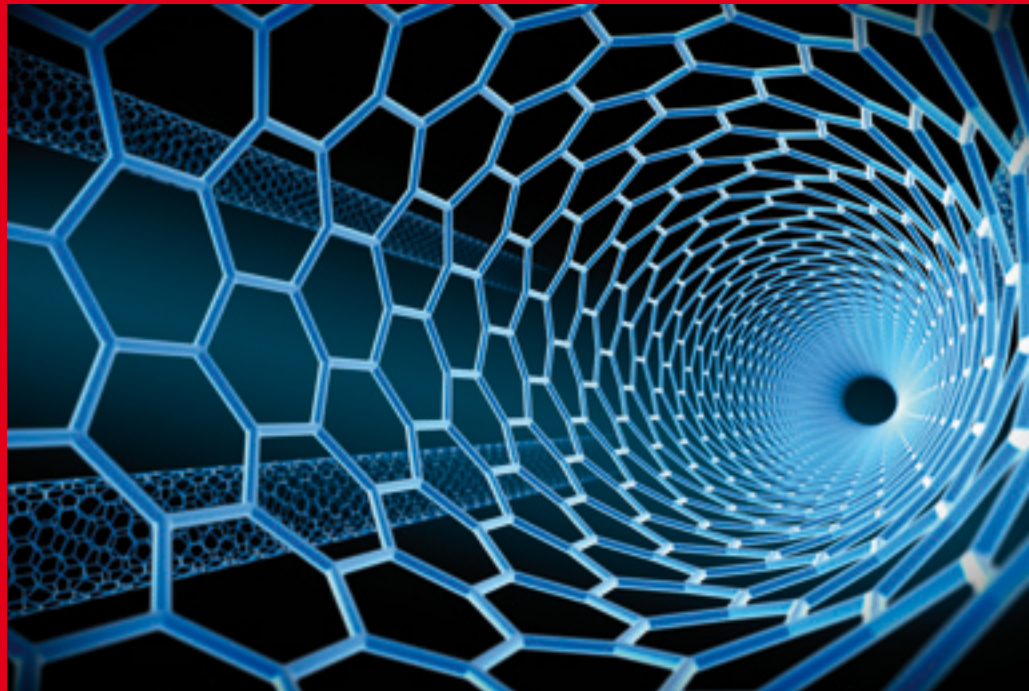


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Eurasia-Pacific Uninet is a network which aims at establishing contacts and scientific partnerships between Austrian universities, universities of applied sciences, other research institutions and member institutions in East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and the Pacific region. With its member institutions, the network promotes multilateral scientific cooperation, joint research projects, conferences, faculty and student exchange. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet supports the concept of Austrian higher education policy with its focus on excellence.

The Eurasia-Pacific Uninet is a successful project and since its beginning in the year 2000 it has become an important factor in establishing contacts with universities and higher education and research institutions in East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia as well as in the Pacific Region. This fast growing network is the largest university network linking Austria and Asia and serves as a platform of international exchange in the fields of science and research successfully linking Austria with this economically important Asian region. The annual report 2010 provides an excellent overview of the different projects in several fields and there can be no doubt that the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet has also become an important instrument for the internationalisation of higher education and research cooperation.

It seems important to look forward and to ensure Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's outstanding performance for the years to come. Some significant changes have already taken place or are in progress by now. The network's administration is already strategically positioned at the Austrian agency for international mobility and cooperation in education and research (OeAD), which is a strong partner for further improvement of the operational structure. At the same time the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet will carry on as a strong and autonomous network. In the future the network should focus even more on co-financed cooperation among its members. This and all other measures of consolidation will be hard work but will also contribute to an even better performance of this unique network.

As Federal Minister for Science and Research I would like to congratulate the president of the network for having set up the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet over the past years and I would like to thank the president and all the partners for their strong commitment in promoting and supporting cooperation in science and research and in contributing to bi-regional friendship and understanding!



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A_Introduction

Editorial

The year 2010 saw not only the continuation and consolidation of all relevant Eurasia-Pacific Uninet activities in the target countries but also the initiation of new network activities in accordance with our partner universities and research institutions as well as the relevant ministries. In 2010, 13 new member institutions from the People's Republic of China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Austria joined the network. By the end of 2010, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet counted 140 member institutions in 13 member countries.

The cooperation with the joint research centers in China and Central Asia saw a fruitful development through jointly organized workshops and conferences as well as the exchange of research scientists from both sides. In this regard the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Scholarship Program with its Incoming Ph.D and Post-Docs to Austria and the Short Term Guest Professorships, have become an absolutely essential part in the maintenance of sustainable links with all partner institutions. Through the Scholarship Program, important contributions to the research output and to the publication activities of all partners involved are made. Furthermore, the continuation of the On-place Scholarship Program has allowed Eurasia-Pacific Uninet to carry on with the important task of showing solidarity with students and academics in partner institutions in need of financial help. On-place scholarships were also given to university graduates working at our joint research centers. They are the contact persons for and helping hands to our Austrian research scientists and the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet activities on-site.

We are happy to announce that in June 2010, the 7th Chinese-Austrian collaborating center, namely the Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases was established at the location of the Nanjing First Hospital of Nanjing Medical

University, in Nanjing under the presence of, among others, the President of Nanjing First Hospital, Prof. Huaining Pan and Vice-Rector of the Medical University of Vienna, Prof. Dr. Rudolf Mallinger. The Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases can be seen as a result of long term cooperation between Nanjing Municipal Government, different Nanjing Universities and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

The Austrian-Chinese Music University set up on a special request by Beijing Municipal Education Commission, with University Mozarteum Salzburg and the University for Music and Dramatic Arts Graz and China Conservatory as partners saw a further fruitful development through the master classes held at the university. The teaching activities were accompanied by several successful concerts in Beijing and Shanghai.

The Austrian Center at Fudan University can be perceived as the result of a long term friendship of more than a decade, leading to manifold joint activities in different fields and of exchange of students and research scientists as well as development of joint programs. As the request of all Eurasia-Pacific Uninet member institutions for organizing joint research activities is increasing, workshops and conferences and a large number of carefully selected activities were held besides the regular programs held annually at the joint centers. We are also very happy to announce that the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting, with more than 170 participants, took place from October 15-19, 2010 in Gaochun County, Nanjing, China. With a strong support from Foreign Affairs Office of Nanjing Municipality and Gaochun County as well as the Austrian Center at Fudan University, the meeting was a real success, hosting around 170 members from 13 member countries. In 2010, Shanghai was host to the World EXPO. Within the framework of the EXPO 2010, Eurasia-Pacific Uni-

net together with the Austrian Center at Fudan University and in cooperation with the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation and Mobility in Education, Science and Research, organized the First Chinese-Austrian Alumni Meeting taking place at the Austrian Pavilion at the EXPO area in Shanghai at the end of October 2010. Subsequently, the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet international conference on aging “Health, Wellbeing, Competence and Aging” took place from October 23-24, at Chinese University of Hong Kong, China. This conference, attended by around 60 representatives from Eurasia-Pacific Uninet member countries, was jointly organized by the Medical University of Innsbruck and Chinese University of Hong Kong. The conference has been seen by the participants as a very fruitful and successful conference.

The Summer Schools for Chinese students in Austria and for Austrian students in China have enjoyed in the last eleven years an enormous success. Moreover, there is still increasing interest in enhancing the number of participants and partner institutions. Specialized Summer Schools for short term studies in Traditional Chinese Medicine took place in Beijing. An International Summer University was organized for the second time by Vienna University of Economics and Business in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation.

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet owes its deepest gratitude to our international and national coordinators, to our partner institutions in all the member countries and to the staff of our network offices: without their great commitment and support, the joint activities of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet would not have been as successful as they are.

I would like to express my thankfulness especially to the Austrian Ministry of Science and Research as the main funding instance since the foundation of the network in the year 2000 and also to the Austrian Ministry



of Health, for its support in all health related activities of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. We also thank the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH). My thanks go further to the Austrian Chamber of Commerce and their commercial sections abroad for their continuous cooperation and assistance.

We owe our gratitude to Austrian Embassies, especially in Beijing, Astana and New Delhi as well as to the Chinese Embassy in Austria for their interest in all our activities and their most valuable support.

Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner
President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

About Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

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Eurasia-Pacific Uninet is a network which aims at establishing contacts and scientific partnerships between Austrian universities, universities of applied sciences, other research institutions and member institutions in East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and the Pacific region. The network was founded in the year 2000 and is strongly supported by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research and the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education, Science and Research.

With 140 member institutions in Austria, China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Korea, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Nepal, Bhutan and India, the network promotes multilateral scientific co-operation and exchange between its members. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet is the largest sovereign university network of its kind within Europe.

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet supports:

- scientific, economic and cultural relations between Austria and the target countries
- R&D activities of multinational companies
- visiting professorships
- reciprocal acknowledgement of study degrees and programs

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet supplies:

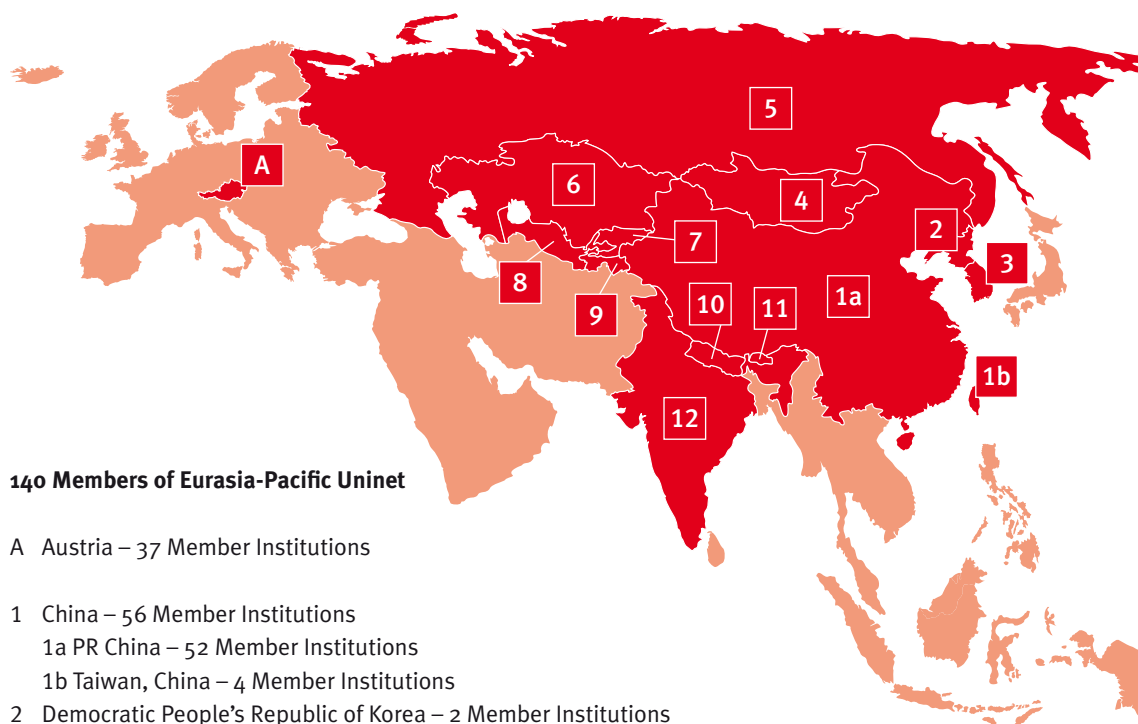
- research scholarships for member institutions
- contacts between government agencies, educational institutions and companies
- intercultural expertise through intense programs and courses

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet initiates:

- joint research centers
- joint schools for teaching, research and training
- development of joint curricula and double-degree programs
- research activities by means of workshops, seminars and conferences and through the exchange of scientists among member institutions



Outline Map of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Member Institutions



140 Members of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

A Austria – 37 Member Institutions

- 1 China – 56 Member Institutions
 - 1a PR China – 52 Member Institutions
 - 1b Taiwan, China – 4 Member Institutions
- 2 Democratic People's Republic of Korea – 2 Member Institutions
- 3 Republic of Korea – 3 Member Institutions
- 4 Mongolia – 5 Member Institutions
- 5 Russian Federation – 8 Member Institutions
- 6 Kazakhstan – 4 Member Institutions
- 7 Kyrgyzstan – 8 Member Institutions
- 8 Uzbekistan – 2 Member Institution
- 9 Tajikistan – 3 Member Institutions
- 10 Nepal – 3 Member Institutions
- 11 Bhutan – 1 Member Institution
- 12 India – 8 Member Institutions

Member Institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

PR China	
<p>Peking University Beijing Foreign Studies University Beijing University of Chinese Medicine Beijing Sport University Capital Medical University, Beijing Capital Normal University, Beijing China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences, Beijing Beijing Jiaotong University Minzu University of China China Conservatory, Beijing Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences, Beijing Chinese Academy of Forestry, Beijing Fudan University, Shanghai China Europe International Business School (CEIBS), Shanghai Shanghai Conservatory of Music East China Normal University, Shanghai Tongji University, Shanghai Tianjin University Nankai University, Tianjin Shandong Academy of Medical Sciences, Jinan Nanjing Normal University Nanjing Medical University China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing Nanchang University Jilin University, Changchun Harbin Institute of Physical Education</p>	<p>Heilongjiang University of Chinese Medicine, Harbin Inner Mongolia University for Nationalities, Tongliao Xinjiang Medical University, Urumqi Shihezi University Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou Northwest A&F University, Yangling Northwest University, Xi'an Xi'an Jiaotong University Xi'an International Studies University Fujian Medical University, Fuzhou Fujian University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Fuzhou Qiongzhou University, Sanya Southwest University for Nationalities, Chengdu Xihua University, Chengdu China Three Gorges University, Yichang Central South University of Forestry & Technology, Changsha Wuhan University Wuhan University of Science and Technology Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan The University of Hong Kong Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts Hong Kong Baptist University The Chinese University of Hong Kong City University of Hong Kong The Hong Kong Polytechnic University University of Macau</p>
Taiwan, China	
<p>National Taiwan University, Taipei Chinese Culture University, Taipei</p>	<p>Tamkang University, Taipei National Chung Hsing University</p>
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	
<p>Kim Il Sung University, Pyongyang</p>	<p>Kim Chaek University of Technology, Pyongyang</p>
Republic of Korea	
<p>Seoul National University Yonsei University, Seoul</p>	<p>Konkuk University, Seoul</p>
Mongolia	
<p>National University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar Mongolian University of Science and Technology, Ulaanbaatar</p>	<p>Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Ulaanbaatar Health Sciences University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar Mongolian State University of Agriculture, Ulaanbaatar</p>

Russian Federation	
St. Petersburg State University Kazan State University of Technology Novosibirsk State University Irkutsk State University	Irkutsk State Medical University Buryat State University, Ulan-Ude East-Siberian State University of Technology, Ulan-Ude Baikal National University of Economics and Law, Irkutsk
Kazakhstan	
Kazakh Ablai Khan University of International Relations and World Languages, Almaty Korkyt Ata Kyzylorda State University	Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, Almaty University of Central Asia, Tekeli
Kyrgyzstan	
National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic Issyk-Kul State University, Kara Kol Jalalabad State University Naryn State University Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture, Bishkek	Osh Technological University Kyrgyz National Agrarian University named after K.I. Skryabin, Bishkek University of Central Asia, Bishkek
Uzbekistan	
Tashkent State Agrarian University	Tashkent Institute of Irrigation and Melioration
Tajikistan	
Tajik State Medical University named after Abuali Ibn Sino, Dushanbe	Tajik Agrarian University, Dushanbe University of Central Asia, Khorog
Nepal	
International Center for Integrated Mountain Development ICIMOD, Kathmandu	Kathmandu University (KU) Tribhuvan University
Bhutan	
Royal University of Bhutan	
India	
University of Pune Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar University of Madras, Chennai	W.B. National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, New Delhi National Museum Institute, New Delhi

Austria

Austrian Academy of Sciences
 International Institute for Applied System
 Analysis (IIASA)
 University of Vienna
 Medical University of Vienna
 University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
 Vienna University of Technology
 University of Natural Resources and Applied
 Life Sciences, Vienna
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 Administration
 University of Applied Arts Vienna
 University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna
 Sigmund Freud University Vienna
 MODUL University Vienna
 University of Graz
 Medical University of Graz
 Graz University of Technology
 University of Music and Performing Arts Graz
 University of Innsbruck
 Medical University of Innsbruck

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 and Technology, UMIT, Hall
 University of Salzburg
 Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg
 University Mozarteum Salzburg
 Salzburg Management GmbH – University of Salzburg
 Business School (SMBS)
 University of Leoben
 University of Linz
 Alps-Adriatic University of Klagenfurt
 IMC University of Applied Sciences Krems
 FH Kufstein Tirol University of Applied Sciences
 MCI Management Center Innsbruck
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New Members 2010



Wuhan University of Science and Technology



Wuhan University



Huazhong University of Science and Technology



The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Austria

Upper Austria University of Applied Sciences

PR China

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Wuhan University
Wuhan University of Science and Technology
Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan
Xihua University, Chengdu
China Three Gorges University, Yichang
Fujian University of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Kim Il Sung University, Pyongyang
Kim Chaek University of Technology, Pyongyang

Russian Federation

Baikal National University of Economics and Law

Kyrgyzstan

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Both for OeAD-GmbH, the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation and Mobility in Education, Science and Research, and for EURASIA-PACIFIC Uninet the year 2010 was characterised by a process of gradual familiarisation and checking out the possibilities of closer cooperation. With the EPU administrative unit still pursuing its different network support services from its original location in Salzburg, the growing together with the other OeAD administrative offices at the headquarters in Vienna started slowly but nonetheless efficiently. All financial procedures were handed over to the central OeAD accountancy, thus enabling a synergetic and uniform financial management of all EPU transactions. A considerable effort was put into the preparation of the various conferences, meetings and other events organised and hosted by EPU in China – partly with the support and participation of OeAD-GmbH. The annual Plenary Meeting in Nanjing in October 2010 brought together around 180 representatives of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet member institutions from East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and Austria and presented itself as an excellent platform for constructive discussions between OeAD representatives and partners from the Asiatic world.

One of the highlights of joint OeAD-EPU activities was the organisation of the first Alumni Meeting for Chinese OeAD and EPU scholars which took place at the Austrian EXPO pavilion in Shanghai on October 20th, 2010. EPU representatives as well as the OeAD team in Vienna worked together with the EPU-Network/OeAD-Cooperation Office at Fudan University to set up a remarkable event for over 100 Chinese alumni. The meeting was sponsored by the Commercial Section at the Austrian Consulate General in Shanghai and provided not only the opportunity to meet former colleagues and exchange experiences but also offered the possibility to visit some of the extraordinary EXPO pavilions.

OeAD-GmbH is confident that the synergetic process which started in late 2009 will take a decisive step forward with the moving of the EPU administrative office to the new premises at the OeAD Head Office in Vienna in early 2011.

A solid administrative infrastructure and well-designed business processes will lead to new and highly efficient support schemes benefiting both the Austrian and the international EPU member institutions.



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**Important Changes in the Team of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in the year 2010**

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thankfulness and gratitude to Ms. Achleitner and Ms. Rieger, who decided to pursue new careers and left the network at the end of 2010, for their tireless commitment, dedication and their excellent work within the network. We wish Ms. Achleitner and Ms. Rieger all the best for their new careers and their future.

B_Network Offices and Lectorates in EPU Member Countries

Network Offices of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

In the year 2005, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet started its first network office in China. The Austrian Center at Fudan University includes a study library which was opened in 2006. In 2006, the network offices in Yangling and Beijing were established.

In September 2007, in the course of the opening of the Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences, another network office was opened at the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences.

Other network offices in China, Mongolia and Kyrgyz Republic followed in 2008 and 2009 as well as in 2010. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet would like to thank Fudan University, Peking University Health Science Center, Northwest University Xi'an, Northwest A&F University, Yangling, the China Academy of Medical Sciences, Tongji University, Nanjing Medical University and Beijing Municipal Education Commission as well as the Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture and the Mongolian University of Science and Technology for their help and support in implementing these network offices and providing office space free of charge.



In 2010, the following persons were employed at the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet offices and centers:

China:

- Austrian Center, EPU-Liaison Office located at Fudan University: Qin Wenwen, Ms. Li Xuan
- Austrian-Chinese Center for Biomarker Discovery/ Beijing Office located at Peking University Health Science Center: Song Aiping
- Austria-China Research Centre for Environmental Protection located at Northwest A&F University, Yangling: Liu Guangzhe, Ma Changxin
- Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences located at the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences: Zhang Yongmei
- Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering located at Tongji University: Chi Yang
- Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases, starting 2011

Kyrgyz Republic:

- Austria-Central Asia Collaborating Center for GIScience, Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture, Bishkek located at the Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture, Bishkek: Ainura Nazarkulova, Guklshaan Ergeshova Abdykaimovna, Nagima Alimbekova

Mongolia:

- Eurasia-Pacific Uninet office located at Mongolian University of Science and Technology: Sarantuya Tsedendamba

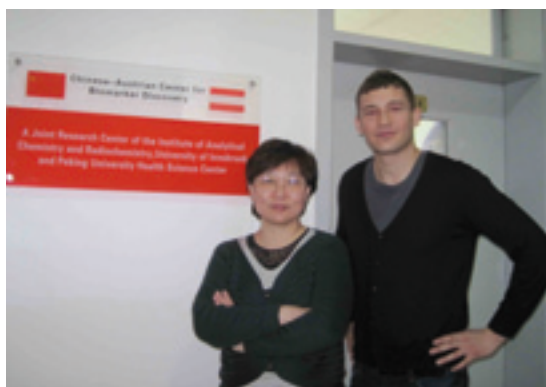
Network Office Beijing

Location: Peking University Health Science Center,
Beijing

Contact: Ms. Song Aiping,
EPU Beijing Office

It is the 10th year since EPU was founded in 2000. And EPU continues to grow and progress. I am lucky to have witnessed its growth in 2010.

In July, the scholarship interviews at the Peking University Health Science Center were held as scheduled. Students from all EPU partner institutions in Beijing came to take the challenge of getting a chance to study in Austria in the near future. The cooperation of universities between Austria and China will for sure be strengthened further through the work of qualified applicants. In the year 2010 we successfully supported the EPU office in Salzburg in pre-organizing the Chinese-Austrian EPU Summer School by helping with the application process. More than 100 Chinese college students from EPU member institutions decided to take part and in the end derived great benefit from this program. They had, partly for their first time, access to western culture as well as the chance of being trained on business, economics and management during their stay abroad.



On October 15th 2010, the 3rd Plenary Meeting of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet was successfully held at Gaochun Nanjing, China. President Winklehner gave an opening statement about the achievements EPU made last year in promoting cooperation between Austria and Asian countries. Responsible persons from member universities all attended the meeting. The cooperation ranges from health, education, and natural science to art and culture, and delegates reached agreement about further cooperation.

One thing that should be mentioned is that the paper "Interaction of genetic polymorphisms in AURKA and BRCA1 is associated with breast cancer susceptibility in a Chinese Han population" carried out by the Chinese-Austrian Center for Biomarker Discovery has been accepted by Journal of Pathology. And the joint center is planning new close cooperation on breast cancer and other Gynecologic tumors.

Time flies by, 2010 has passed, and then looking back, for me work is memorable in 2010, mark the deepest year. Thanks to the union for giving me the platform to grow, thanks to colleagues and President Winklehner for their support and help in ordinary work, so that I can work in different fields, get to know a lot of people, and broaden my scope of knowledge. I am confident that EPU's tomorrow will be even better.



Austrian Center at Fudan University EPU Liaison Office – Staff

Since the year 2009 the Austrian Center Shanghai is headed by Mr. Julian Mueller, who also served as Austrian lecturer of OeAD at Fudan University for the previous five years. In 2010 the part time position as head of the center was finally upgraded to full time position. From 2011 on the Austrian Center Shanghai will serve as OeAD- Cooperation office next to its task as EPU – Network Office.

As in his recent years as Austrian lecturer, Mr. Mueller still aims at constantly widening and deepening the area of influence of the Austrian Center Shanghai. In the year 2009 a special focus was laid on universities in Nanjing.

Ms. Qin Wenwen, a second-year graduate student from the German Department of Fudan University, who is now studying in the University of Tuebingen, ended her one-year-term in the Austrian Center Shanghai in July 2010.

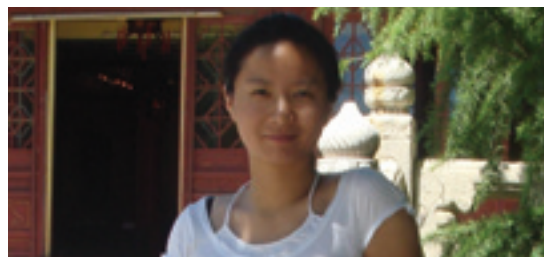
Ms. Lu Lijing, the second part-time assistant, worked until her graduation from Department of German Language and Literature at Fudan University. She continued her study at Beijing Foreign Studies University. The Austrian Center would like to use this opportunity to thank both of them for their great efforts and to wish them all the best for their future career paths.

Ms. Li Xuan, a first-year graduate student from the German Department of Fudan University, succeeded Ms. Qin und Ms. Lu as part-time assistant of the Austrian Center in September 2010.

At the very beginning of her one-year-term, Ms. Li contributed enormously to the organization of the 3rd

Location: OeAD - Cooperation Office
Eurasia Pacific Uninet - Network Office
Austrian Library
Head: Julian Mueller

Plenary Meeting and the 1st Chinese-Austrian Alumni Meeting. With very good command of both German and English, Ms. Li helps the Austrian Center Shanghai not only in cataloging the library, but also in the organization of events such as the Symposium: “Österreich im Reich der Mitte – Österreichische Literatur und China” and was in charge of various visits and delegations. She is also an indispensable help in the administrative affairs of the center. Ms. Li will continue her work until the summer of 2011. The second part-time assistant position unfortunately could not be assigned on a regular basis till the end of 2010.



Ms. Li Xuan



Mr. Julian Mueller



Ms. Lu Lijing

Network Office in Mongolia

Location: Mongolian University
of Science and Technology

Contact: Prof. Dr. Sarantuya Tsedendamba,
National Coordinator
of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet for Mongolia

The Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's main activity in the field of education in Mongolia is the network of universities: National University of Mongolia, Mongolian University of Science and Technology, Mongolian State University of Agriculture, Health Science University, Academy of Sciences of Mongolia and Austrian Member Universities and is based on the principle of mobility of students and professors at an academic level for specific fellowship for students and professors. In the year 2010, the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet activities have been coordinated by the new Network Office at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology.

In 2010, special emphasis was placed on the following activities:

Scholarships for partner institutions

The Austrian Council for Research and Technology Development gave 30 scholarships for Mongolian students in 2010: on-place scholarship for 4 students who were admitted to a doctoral program at one of five Member Institutions of Mongolia: Health Science University of Mongolia- 2 students, Mongolian State Agricultural University and Mongolian University of Science and Technology - each 1 student. Also, 3 professors from MUST were selected, 5 from MSUA, 4 from NUM and 5 from HSUM, 4 of the MAS for post-doc studies in Austria from 2 to 6 months. The selection was made by the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Professor Brigitte Winklehner, and Professor Wolf-Dieter Rausch from the Veterinary Medical University of Vienna in June 2010 by attention of the national coordinator of Mongolia, Prof. Sarantuya Tsedendamba. We are happy to report that some of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet alumni students passed their doctor exams in 2010 and received their

post-doc scholarship like Dr.Ariunaa CSMS,MUST.

At each member institution of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, an alumni network was established to keep up contacts between alumni themselves and between alumni and their Austrian host universities and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, to maintain professional, academic and personal ties with Austria by providing a regular information service, to contribute to deepening and extending academic exchange between the alumni's home country and the host country, thereby making a positive contribution to the internationalization of higher education and to use the experience, knowledge and insights gained by alumni during their study and research stays in Austria to benefit the current generation of scholarship holders and others interested in studying in Austria in the future. On July 19, 2010, the 2. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Alumni meeting was organized in Ulaanbaatar, where more than 50 scholars of Mongolian member institutions participated. By all accounts, the alumni meeting in July was a total success. The organization by UNINET was on the spot, and the speeches held by members of faculty were remarkable. Moreover, a lot of former students were able to come, and the atmosphere was abuzz with communication. From our point of view, getting together with alumni is extremely fruitful in terms of networking and sharing their experience in Austria. Certainly, learning about what former UNINET scholars are doing in their careers and personal lives is another reason to join the reunion. But perhaps the most important thing of all was rekindling friendships with Austrian colleagues initiated through EURASIA-PACIFIC UNINET.

Cooperation with Austrian Universities and Conferences

In August 2010, the Second President of the National Council of Austria, Fritz Neugebauer, and the Director of General Division III of the Austrian Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, Mr.Wolfgang Stelzmueller, visited the Mongolian Parliament, the Mongolian Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, and the Mongolian University of Science and Technology to discuss

needs and possible topics to be worked on during their stay in Mongolia, and participated in the opening ceremony of the new office of the EURASIA-PACIFIC UNINET in the new library building of the MUST to donate 53 computers to MUST.

Emerging from results of the joint EPU 2009 conference on university development, “A Common Platform: Austria & Mongolia - the 2010 project” focused on the question of energy efficiency and renewable energies, research areas of high relevance in both countries. The project was planned and carried out by the following EPU network members: the Mongolian University of Science and Technology, the University of Applied Sciences FH St. Poelten, and the University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Wien as a coordinating partner. The objectives of the project, Dynamic Building Simulation with TRNSYS in Mongolia, were to carry out a building simulation for the refurbishment of a building of MUST in Ulaanbaatar, to analyze the framework conditions, and to develop conclusions and recommendations for increasing energy efficiency and use of renewable energy in the building stock in Ulaanbaatar. The building simulation contains a description of the selected building, the Thermal Technical and Industrial Ecology Institute at MUST, the collected data, defined scenarios for technical analysis with simulation methods and economic analysis, the documentation of the

simulations and the analysis of results.

In a first stage, representatives from the UAS FH St. Poelten, Roman Windl (Institute Industrial Simulation) and the UAS FH Technikum Wien, Susanne Geissler, Roland Sterrer, (Institute Renewable Energies) spent one week in Ulaanbaatar in August 2010 for the joint seminar on Energy Efficiency Improvement of Consumers at the Power Engineering School, MUST, and to conduct necessary fieldwork to analyze framework conditions, the building and the energy sectors, as well as socio-economic aspects, such as cost of energy efficiency measures and average income. The second stage included a one-month's visit of two research students from the Power Engineering School, MUST, Ochirbat Batjargal and Purevsuren Enkhdavava, in Austria. During the first part of their stay in November and December 2010, the students and the project were integrated in the Master's Study Programme “Renewable Urban Energy Systems” of the University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Wien and the program module “Dynamic Systems” at the UAS FH St. Poelten. During the last week of the project, team members were joined by three MUST professors, Chimed Mangaljalav, Khaltar Enkhjargal, and Galsan Bekhbat and the results of the Dynamic Building Simulation were presented in the presence of representatives of the Embassy of Mongolia in Austria. The results are published in a final report (Ebinger et. al, Building simulation for refurbishment



of a MUST University building in Ulaanbaatar – Analysis of framework conditions and development of recommendations for increasing energy efficiency and renewable energy use in the building stock, Vienna 2011) and will also be presented by the UAS FH Technikum Wien at the World Sustainable Building Conference in Helsinki in October 2011.

The International conference “Public health and food safety contributions from medical and veterinary sciences” was organized by Mongolian State University of Agriculture, Institute of Veterinary medicine, University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna and Eurasia-Pacific

UNINET which was held in MSUA Conference hall between July 15 and July 16, 2011. The conference was organized by Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner, president of Eurasia Pacific UNINET, Prof. Dr. Badarch Byambaa, vice president of the Mongolian Academy of Sciences, the president of the Mongolian Academy of Agricultural Sciences, the president of the Mongolian State University of Agriculture, Prof. Dr. Wolf-Dieter Rausch, coordinator of the department for biomedical sciences, Medical Chemistry Neurochemistry, University of Veterinary Medicine, and Prof. Dr. Altangerel Gombojav, vice president for International Affairs, MSUA.

Participants from Austrian Universities

Name	Position	Organization
Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner	President	EURASIA-PACIFIC UNINET
Robert Schloegel	Vice minister	Ministry of Health, Austria
Helga Kolle	Assistant to the vice minister	Assistant to the vice minister
Teresa Achleitner	Project manager	EURASIA-PACIFIC UNINET
Prof. Dr. Josef Boehm	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Katharina Brugger	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Heinz Hans Buchner	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Hilbert Friederike	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Christine Iben	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Vincent Laperriere	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Wolfgang Luf	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Prof. Dr. Franz Rubel	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Alois Strasser	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Teresa G. Valenchak	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Prof. Dr. Wolf-Dieter Rausch	Professor	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Zhang Qi	Professor	Northwest A&F University, China
Fang Guangli	Professor	Northwest A&F University, China

Except for the above delegations, in the conference, professors and researchers took part and gave presentations on veterinary sciences, medical sciences, biological and agricultural sciences from research organizations such as the Institute of Veterinary Medicine, The University of Veterinary Medicine in Vienna, Austria, the School of Veterinary Medicine and Biotechnology, MSUA, The State Laboratory for Test and Certification of Veterinary Drugs, the Plant Protection Research Institute and The J.Sambu Research Institute of Animal Husbandry.

President of HSUM, Prof. Lkhagvasuren, president of MSUA, Prof. Byambaa, vice president of MUST, Prof. Batbayar, vice president of HSUM, Prof. Sumberzul, vice president of MAS, Prof. Regdel, and EPU national coordinator Prof. Tsedendamba participated in the 3rd Plenary Assembly of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet from 16th to 18th October, 2010, in Nanjing, China. During the conference, there were reports on the cooperation and activities in last 2 years. Many activities in the science and technology field have been carried out between Uninet members. The cooperation is very active in various fields, such as: Medicine, Traditional Medicine, Power Energy, Renewal Energy, Applied Mathematics, Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine, Chemistry, Applied Mathematics, IT, etc. The members were interested in working in new fields and adding new focus areas.



Promoting the German language

The Eurasia-Pacific Uninet lecturer program is assigned to promoting German language and German studies in Mongolia. Since March 2011, Dr. Sigrid Steinschaden is working as an Austrian lecturer at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology to teach German language and to work for the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Office at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology. She is the second Austrian lecturer in Mongolia. This Eurasia-Pacific Uninet program enables young graduates who applied German studies or German as a foreign language to work together with Mongolian German language teachers and thus gain practical teaching experience and intercultural skills, which could be outstanding in building cultural bridges between Eastern Asia and Austria.

Conclusion and Future Outlook

The introduction of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Scholarship Programs 2010 resulted in more applications from all member institutions. One of the consequences of the increasing number of applicants submitting for financing is the fact that the funding issue is the main priority for the future. Moreover, we hope the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet will continue working in Mongolia and will continue raising awareness on the existence of the Network Office in Mongolia by the coordinating universities of the network in Mongolia.

Austrian Lectorates in Cooperation with Eurasia-Pacific Uninet

For the support and the strengthening of the Austrian scientific relations with China and Mongolia, the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science and Culture agreed in 2006 to establish four new lectorates in China and one in Mongolia starting with the study year 2007/08.



Austrian Lectorates in China:

- Fudan University
- China Conservatory, Beijing
(only occupied in the summer term, from winter term 2009 on the lectorate was paid by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in form of an Outgoing Scholarship)
- Xi'an International Studies University
(under construction)

Austrian Lectorates in Mongolia:

- Mongolian University of Science and Technology,
Ulaanbaatar

Austrian Lecturer Program at Fudan University



In the study year 2009/10 the cooperation between the Department of German Language and Literature at Fudan University and the lectureship was continued successfully under the new framework of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD). Holding the teaching position for 5 years, Mr. Müller became one of the longest-lasting foreign faculties at Fudan University.

Partner: Lecturer Program of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD)

Location: Department of German Language and Literature, Fudan University, Shanghai

Contact: Julian Mueller

In 2009/10 besides teaching the focus of work lay on two main projects:

- Building of the collection „Auslands-Austriaca China“ in the Library of the Austrian Center Shanghai in order to create a database of Chinese translations of works on Austrian literature and from Austrian authors
- Organization of the international symposium: “Austrian Literature and China” at the German Department of Fudan University including lectures and discussions of 20 experts on Austrian Literature from Austria, China and Germany



Also the cooperation with other Austrian institutions in Shanghai and the lectureship was strengthened further in 2009/2010. As in previous years the Austrian Holocaust memorial servant at the Center of Jewish Studies Shanghai (CJSS) - Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences in Shanghai was invited to Fudan University to give a lecture about ‘Austria and the Holocaust’ and outline the prominent role Shanghai played as a refuge for Austrian Jews during World War II.

Apart from the teaching activities and the organization of events on Austrian culture the lecturer offers personal consultations and information about possibilities of studying in Austria, serves as reader and proof reader for the academic staff of the German department and is a member of the bachelor and master final examinations commission at the College of Foreign Language and Literature.

Austrian Lecturer Program at China Conservatory

Partners: Lecturer Program of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD)

Location: China Conservatory, Beijing

Contact: Martina Eory

Due to the evaluation in 2009 some new aspects in the German courses could be adopted: As the German language, in the field of singing acquires high pronunciation-skills, pronunciation classes on a one-on-one basis have been offered.

- Translation of the German lyrics into Chinese (to make sure the students do understand the content of the specific song or aria)
- Practicing the pronunciation
- Analyzing the cultural-historical „Basics“
- Interpretation

Those classes were offered approximately one month before the vocal master-courses. For about three to four weeks every student of the singing department had one class a week. As those courses were on a one-on-one basis, the pronunciation skills of the students improved quickly. Still, additional tuition is needed, when it comes to conveying European cultural-historical background.

German Course/Piano Department

The focus for the piano students lies on basic pronunciation skills and the understanding of simple text structures. As in 2009, the students of this class still attend middle school on a regular basis and do have to practice the piano for several hours a day; therefore progress can only evolve on a long term basis.

As most of the students do not live on the campus, we have held intensive courses on Sundays (4x45 minutes). This concept seemed to overstrain the students' receptivity. Therefore we have divided the course into two groups; each group had German lessons for two hours a week.



Scope of Activities/Contact Person EPU/Beijing and Project Coordination ACMU

- Organizational work (coordination of Master courses, arrangement of guest lectureships, etc.).
- Translation and Interpreting (German-Chinese, Chinese-German)
- Evaluation of the ACMU
- Cooperation with the "Österreichischer-Verein Peking"
- Concert-Organization in coordination with the singing department and the foreign affairs office
- In succession to the ACMU's Master Courses (Prof. Klaus Kaufmann, Piano/Prof. Paul Roczek, Violin/both Professors at the University Mozarteum Salzburg/Prof. Claudia Rueggeberg, Vocal/University of Music and Performing Arts Graz) concerts could be launched at the Concert-Hall of the China Conservatory (Piano and violin-department/June 11, 2010) and the National Centre for the Performing Arts (Vocal-department/May 28, 2010).

Austrian Lecturer Program at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology (MUST)



In 2008, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet together with OEK (Austrian Co-operation in Education, Science and Culture) launched a lectureship programme by special request of MUST, focusing on German language training for future engineers. In 2010/11 the third year within this programme was able to start, even though some difficulties in bureaucratic issues were given. The students enrolled in the programme are provided with courses on German language, focusing mainly on conversation, argumentation, writing and listening skills, arts and intercultural aspects. Some students are specially trained for the DSH-, TestDaF or OESD-examination in order to study engineering at Universities in Germany or Austria. Furthermore the lecturer is in charge of managing Eurasia-Pacific Uninet activities. The students are of the first and second grade of preparatory engineering studies. While the majority of first grade students started upon arrival at level Ao according to the Common European Framework, the students enrolled in the second grade started per minimum from level B1-B2 in speaking.

Furthermore the lecturer is supposed to join activities taking place during summer-term, such as collaboration-meetings with foreign language teaching institutions, respectively with DAAD-lecturers, PASCH-initi-

Partners: Lecturer Program of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH)

Location: Mongolian University of Science & Technology

Contact: Dr. Sigrid Steinschaden

ative organisers and teachers as well as with Goethe Institute, the German Debate Club, the German Poetry Competition, and German language examinations at the local OESD-examination center at the University of Humanities. The next examinations will take place in April 2011. As in the year 2010 the study-year 2010/11 will end mid of May with performances in acting, singing and dancing. Concerning the management of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet activities and projects, the lecturer within this study-year is supposed to focus on organising and expanding the Austrian Library located at the National University of Mongolia, organising the scholarship-programme (preparative work and pre-selection of candidates according to their language skills as well as on-place work during the interviews scheduled for June/July, and headed by Univ.-Prof.Dr. Brigitte Winklehner), organisation of an Alumni-Meeting planned for June/July, project support for joint activities and projects with all of the five member institutions in Mongolia, as well as accompanying Austrian delegates. Furthermore, management includes the preparative work for delegates' travels as well as accompanying them, the communication to the Austrian and Mongolian side and last but not least the organisation and implementation of further information material and brochures of various topics within the co-operation of Austria and Mongolia. The bureaucratic structures provided at the moment do not really seem to support the co-operation fully, especially in financial and employment issues.

A section of the Austrian Library at MUST, focusing on technical, economic and legal issues will open in May 2011.

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Austrian Center Shanghai at Fudan University

The Austrian Center, located in the Guang Hua Twin Towers Building right in the heart of the main campus of Fudan University serves as branch office of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in Shanghai. In the course of the network activities, the Austrian Center coordinates all projects and programs between Fudan University, universities in Eastern China and the Austrian partner institutions of the network. It also works as local link of the network to the institutions of the Republic of Austria in China. The Austrian Center Shanghai is headed by Mr. Julian Mueller, who also served as Austrian lecturer of OeAD at Fudan University for the previous 5 years. In addition, student assistants and faculty members of the Foreign Affairs Office of Fudan University actively support the Austrian Center.

Facilities

The multifunctional office area of the Austrian Center holds a study library of approximately 3,500 works on all aspects on Austrian culture, mainly contributed by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research. In 2010, the Austrian Center proceeded with fostering knowledge about Austrian higher education institution by providing information on its culture, society, economic and politics and encouraging international cultural and educational exchange and collaboration by organizing programs of events and making contributions to various festivals and exhibitions in the fields of music, literature and so on.

The spectrum of activities of the Austrian Center Shanghai includes:

Science and Research

- Initiation and promotion of collaboration between academic and scientific institutions in Austria and China
- Support of Austrian scientists in research projects in (East) China by initiating contacts and providing support
- Organization of joint Austrian-Chinese scientific conferences and symposiums in (East) China

Location: OeAD - Cooperation Office (from 2011)
Eurasia Pacific Uninet – Network Office
(since 2005)
Austrian Library (since 2006)
Head: Julian Mueller

- Organization of short study programs and summer schools in (East) China
- Establishment of a permanent OeAD lectureship at the Department of German Studies of Fudan University
- Information and consultancy regarding higher education in Austria and study and scholarship options, and especially the arrangement of scholarships for Chinese PhD students and Post-Docs for research in Austria / participation in education fairs
- Support of student mobility between Austria and China through consultancy and assistance / contact point for Austrian students at (East) Chinese higher education institutions

Culture

- Contact and joint program implementation with other Austrian institutions (embassy, consulate, cultural forum, foreign trade office) and relevant intermediary organizations in the area of culture and education in China
- Expansion and administration of the Austrian Library at the Austrian Center Shanghai
- Organization and arrangement of exhibitions, readings, film and music events, etc. at (Eastern) Chinese universities

Austrian Center Activities

Location: Fudan University, Shanghai

In this year, the Austrian Center Shanghai continued to organize various activities, such as student meetings, summer schools, seminars, international symposium etc. in order to promote academic cooperation and cultural exchange between Austria and China.

Besides the above mentioned conventional activities, the Austrian Center Shanghai also actively participated from the very beginning in organizing the 3rd Plenary Meeting on the 10th anniversary of EPU, the largest event in Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's history, which was held in October in Nanjing in collaboration with the EPU headquarters' in Salzburg, the Foreign Affairs Office of Nanjing Municipality and Gaochun County.

The Alumni Meeting at Shanghai World Expo in October for the first time made it possible, that Chinese Alumni of Austria gathered together to share their study and life experience in Austria. This platform also provided them with information on further study and research opportunities in Austria and contact to Austrian companies in China.

The international symposium on "Austrian Literature and China", which took place in November at Fudan University, aiming at promoting dialogues between Austrian and Chinese experts on literature, also achieved great success.

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The following activities were organized or co-organized by Austrian Center at Fudan University in the year of 2010:

Date	Activity
22. Feb.– 17. July	Master Exchange Program in Media and Communication Management (MCM) of the Department of Communication Studies of University of Salzburg, Journalism of the University of Vienna and of the School of Journalism of Fudan University
9. March	Austrian-Chinese student meeting (30 participants)
6. April	OeAD/DAAD celebration of Easter (75 participants)
12.–21. April	MBA Modul in General Management – University of Salzburg Business School (SMBS) in the School of Management at Fudan University (30 participants)
22. April	Panel discussion: “China’s Image in the International Media – Myth or Reality?” (60 participants) Panelists: Lu Baokang, Senior Editor, Wen Hui Daily; Janis Vougioukas, Correspondent, Der Stern; Frank Hollmann, Correspondent, ARD; Dr. Chen Zhi Min, Lecturer, School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University; Dr. Deng Jianguo, Lecturer, School of Journalism, Fudan University
27. April	Member of the Jury: “Shanghai, Second Competition in German Language” at the Shanghai International Studies University (SISU)
17. May	Lecture on TU Austria Day at Shanghai World Expo 2010 at the Austrian Expo-Pavilion
since May	Building of the Collection „Auslands-Austriaca China“, Austrian Center Shanghai – Library
10. May– 25. Oct.	Project: Shanghai EXPO Reporting in Cooperation with DerStandard.at http://derstandard.at/r1271378398285/Expo-Blog-Shanghai
22. May	Visit of the member of Parliament Mag. Katharina Cortolezis-Schlager, spokesman for science of ÖVP, and Prof. Dr. Richard Trappl, Director of the Confucius Institute in Vienna
4. June	MMag. Ingo Erricher, Tiroler Zukunftsstiftung, visits the technology park and the Austrian Center at Fudan University
14. June	Signing Ceremony: “Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases”, Nanjing First Hospital Affiliated to Nanjing Medical University, Nanjing Medical University, Nanjing
18. June	Visit of Prof. Dr. Babara Sporn, vice rector of the Vienna University of Economics, at Fudan University
28. June	Orientation Meeting: Austrian-EU Summer School 2010 EU Summer School 2010 (50 participants)

Date	Activity
29. June–2. July	Visit of Prof. Dr. Ursula Maier-Rabler and Prof. Dr. Thomas Herdin at Fudan University and at Nanjing Normal University
7. July	Concert: Vienna University Choir at Fudan University (450 participants)
12.–16. July	Visit of Prof. Dr. Coelsch-Foisner, the priority of the University of Salzburg „Wissenschaft und Kunst – Arts and Aesthetics“ at Fudan University and at Shanghai Institute of Visual Art.
July, August, September	Medical Clerkship Exchange Program: Med. Universities of Vienna, Graz, Innsbruck and Salzburg – Fudan University and Tongji University
20. Aug.–21. Sept.	Summer School 2010 “China Know How” at Fudan University (2 groups à ca. 35 participants)
28. Aug.	Visit of Ms. Hardiman-Pollross, head of the “Austrian Cultural Forum Beijing “ at Fudan University
15.–18. Oct.	3rd Plenary Meeting and the 10th Anniversary of EPU in Gaochun County, Nanjing (180 participants)
19. Oct.	Visit of Prof. Dr. Michael Geistlinger and Prof. Dr. Marianne Roth, Senate of the University Salzburg at Fudan University
20. Oct.	5th Anniversary of Austrian Center at Fudan University (70 participants)
20. Oct.	1st EPU / OeAD Chinese-Austrian Alumni Meeting at Shanghai World Expo 2010, Shanghai (130 participants)
20.-22. Nov.	International Symposium: “Austrian Literature and China” at Fudan University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lecture sand and discussions of 20 experts in the study of Germany from Austria, China and Germany • Workshops on Austrian Literature after 1945 at Fudan University, Tongji University, East China Normal University by Dr. Bernhard Fetz, Literary;Archives of the Austrian National Library and Dr. Hannes Schweiger, Office of Arts and Language BMUKK • Ernst Jandl-Project • Lecture by Hanno Millesi: “Santo Stefano” at Fudan and East China Normal University
30. Nov.	Austrian - Chinese student meeting (25 participants)
30. Dec.	Visit of Dr. Elisabeth Vitouch, member of Parliament of Vienna, and Prof. Dr. Peter Vitouch, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Wien at Fudan University

Austrian Center Library

The Library of the Austrian Center Shanghai, aiming to paint a complete portrait of Austria, plays a more and more important role especially for the German departments in Shanghai. It meets the demand for Austrian literature as well as information about Austria, and increases the knowledge of its history and culture.

In the year 2010, the Austrian Center Library extended its collection to round 3800 works on Austrian literature, history, culture and other significant topics by purchasing books and receiving book donations. This year alone, about 200 books were newly catalogued in the computer system "Littera", which provides convenient access to the library resources, including all kinds of books, magazines and audio-visual products.

The emphasis of this year's books purchase was put on Chinese translations of Austrian Literature, such as the poetry anthology of Erich Fried, the works and biography of Thomas Bernhard. These books are especially helpful for those who have interest in Austrian literature but little knowledge of the German language. It is also of great significance to introduce Austrian writers, who are so far not that familiar to the Chinese readers.

Besides advanced book purchases, the library also receives book donations mainly from the OeAD-Lecturer Program and the Cultural Forum of the Austrian Embassy in Beijing.

The center would also like to pay special thanks to the Austrian EXPO Pavilion, which donated books about Austrian history, culture, such as the hardback book "Austria-China".

The utilization ratio of the library resources met a mild rise in 2010: Among the total collection, 381 books, that is more than 10% of its whole volumes, were borrowed by students and teachers all year around. The books

Partners: Lecturer Program of the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD)
Department of German Language and Literature, Fudan University, Shanghai
Cultural Forum of the Austrian Embassy, Beijing
Location: Austrian Center, Fudan University, Shanghai

on Austrian literature found the highest rate of use, followed by these on German as a foreign language, biographies and history. Chinese translations of the works of famous Austrian writers, such as the novels by Stephan Zweig and Franz Kafka, were also popular. The number of new registered readers in the computer system grew by 30% by the year 2010. Thanks to the increasing popularity in Shanghai, among them there were not only freshmen of Fudan, but also students from other universities in Shanghai. For the students who wrote their master or bachelor thesis on Austrian Literature the library in particular is indispensable. In the summer term of 2010, there were some examples of such theses, such as Zhao Peiran: Über die Verwendung der Märchenelemente, des Dualismus und Polarität, der Zeitelemente in "Das Märchen der 672. Nacht".



5th Anniversary of the Austrian Center Shanghai

Location: Austrian Center, Fudan University, Shanghai

Contact: Julian Mueller

The Austrian Center Shanghai resulted from a bilateral partnership between the University of Salzburg and Fudan University. It was initiated by Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner, president of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU), and the former president of Fudan University, Prof. Wang Shenghong. In September 2005 a contract for the establishment of the center as network office of EPU in (East) China was signed with the then Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture (BMBWK) and the Austrian Center Shanghai was established as an autonomous unit of the Foreign Affairs Office of Fudan University. A year later the office premises of the center were inaugurated in the presence of the Federal Minister Elisabeth Gehrer. The Austrian Library has been in place since 2006, which currently contains about 3800 books, coming from book donations of the Federal Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF) and the Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs (BMeiA).

In the year of 2010, with a feeling of thankfulness and pride, we saw the 5th anniversary of the Austrian Center at Fudan University. In the past five years, the Austrian Center, in its role as EPU-Liaison office in Shanghai, involved itself deeply in promoting Austria, especially its higher education system but also its culture and tradition in China. The center set up connections between

universities in Austria and in East China, with a special focus on the high education institutions in Shanghai. After five years' assiduous and effective operation, the Austrian Center has built good and long-standing relationships with many universities, primarily in its location place, Fudan University, but also Tongji University, Shanghai International Studies University, East China Normal University, Nanjing Normal University and so on. On October 20, 2010 the Austrian Center at Fudan University, in its function as cooperation office of Eurasia Pacific Uninet (EPU) in China, celebrated its 5th anniversary. Around 30 Chinese alumni, professors and students and more the 30 representatives from Austrian universities and universities of applied sciences joined the event.

In the morning, participants from China and Austria were invited to the main campus of Fudan University, one of China's leading higher education institutions. They were welcomed by Prof. Zhu Chouwen, Deputy Director of the Foreign Affairs Office, who introduced Fudan University and gave an overview of the cooperation and study programs with Austrian universities. Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, President of Eurasia Pacific Uninet, used the opportunity to thank Fudan University for the support given in the previous five years and emphasized the importance of the Austrian Center Shanghai as the cornerstone of students mobility and scientific cooperation between the two countries. At last, two Chinese alumni from the School of Journalism and the School of Medicine, who had participated in exchange and scholarship programs, shared their experiences on their life in Austria with the audience.



Symposium: Austria in the Middle Kingdom – Austrian Literature and China

From November 20 to 22, 2010 the Austrian Center Shanghai in cooperation with the German Department at Fudan University held a German studies symposium with the theme “Austria in the Middle Kingdom - Austrian literature and China”. The symposium aimed at promoting dialogues between Austrian and Chinese scholars, in particular young Chinese scientists, and establishing a study group for Austrian literature among universities in China. The event was financially supported by the Austrian Cultural Forum Beijing and the Austrian Consulate General Shanghai.

The symposium included lectures and discussions not only on the reception history of Austrian literature in China, for example the perception of the Vienna Modernism (Wiener Moderne), but also on the works of famous Austrian authors from different eras, such as Franz Grillparzer, Stefan Zweig, Peter Handke, Elfriede Jelinek and others. More than 20 specialists in German studies, literary historians, scholars and translators from both Austria and China participated in the event, including Prof. Ma Wentao (Beijing University), Prof. Han Ruixiang (Beijing Foreign Studies University) and Prof. Nie Jun (Xi'an International Studies University). It is of great significance to introduce Austrian authors, who are not yet familiar to the Chinese readers. For this reason, on the second day of the symposium the em-

Venue: Austrian Center, Fudan University, Shanghai

Date: November 20–22, 2010

Contact: Julian Mueller

phasis had been put on the writer „Ernst Jandl“. Prof. Dr. Bernhard Fetz, director of the Literary Archives of the Austrian National Library, spoke on the topic “The Performance Artist Ernst Jandl: The Importance of the Performance for Austrian Literature after 1945.” Dr. Hannes Schweiger from Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for the History and Theory of Biography lectured on “Intermediality and Internationality: Ernst Jandl and the Avant-Garde of the 1960s.” In the subsequent days, Dr. Fetz and Dr. Schweiger also organized workshops on “Austrian Literature after 1945” at Fudan University, Tongji University and East China Normal University. Dr. Moritz Neumann presented his documentary “German is a Language of art: The Translatability of Ernst Jandl's Poetries”.

Furthermore, as a part of the event, public readings were held by the Austrian writer Hanno Millesi. He introduced his texts „Santo Stefano“ and „Ich durchsuche Feldcharakter“ from his work „Das innere und das äußere Sonnensystem“.



Concert: Vienna University Choir at Fudan University

Venue: Fudan University, Shanghai

Date: July 7, 2010

On July 7th 2010, the Vienna University Choir, conducted by Vijay Upadhyaya gave a concert at Fudan University. More than 450 students and professors joined this event. The concert was organized by the Austrian Center Shanghai at Fudan University in cooperation with the Foreign Affairs Office at the university. Prof. Xin Qiang, deputy director of the Foreign Affairs Office, held the opening speech. Mr. Julian Mueller hosted the evening.

Beside the event at Fudan University, the Vienna University Choir—one of the most famous university choirs in the world - additionally gave a concert at the Shanghai World Expo 2010. The concert was a potpourri of different kinds of musical styles: gospel songs, Austrian folk songs, art songs and film music formed part of the concert. A selection of Chinese songs was the special highlight of the evening. The splendid performance was awarded with standing ovations by an impressed audience.



Project: Shanghai World Expo 2010 Reporting

In the Summer Semester 2010, 20 students from the Departments of Communication of the University of Vienna and Salzburg studied as exchange students at the School of Journalism, Fudan University. During their stay in Shanghai, the Shanghai World Expo 2010 took place starting from May. It was an excellent opportunity for their journalistic practice to write reportages about the themes, persons and events related to Expo, which may arouse the interest of the Austrian people. In cooperation with Prof. Thomas Bauer from the Department of Communication of the University of Vienna and derStandard.at, the Austrian Center at Fudan University set up a temporary and open editorial office to support the students and supply them with background and contact information, facilities, guidance and assistance etc.

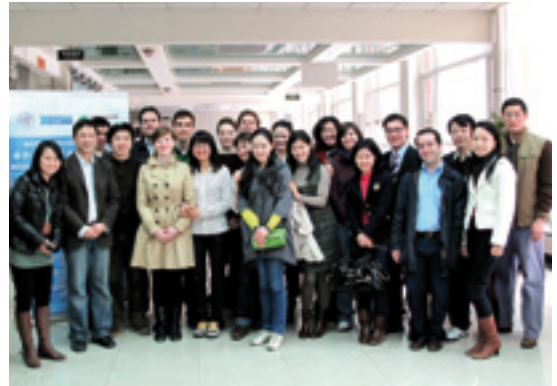
Blog on derStandard.at (from May to October 2010)

The students wrote reports and posted photos about the Expo on derStandard.at, starting on the Austrian Day at Expo on May 21 and continuing with other events. The reporting placed no emphasis on the professional topics of Expo, but on portraying the social or everyday life in China / Shanghai during the Expo, including: Portraits - persons and their stories, topics and their development – discourses, conversations and their impact on the social life, events around the Expo in everyday life.

The students chose topics as following: cook shops, Expo-volunteers, intercultural skirmish in career, cycling in Shanghai, the urban streetscape in Shanghai and the expats in Shanghai. They posted a total of eleven articles on the blog, such as “Mit sanfter Erneuerung zur “besseren Stadt” by Nils Hohnwald, “Chinas Wille zur Bildung” by Raffael Heiss, “I am from Aodili” by Eva Gaderer etc.

<http://derstandard.at/r1271378398285/Expo-Blog-Shanghai>

Contact: Julian Mueller



Panel Discussion: »China's Image in the International Media«

Venue: School of Journalism, Fudan University, Shanghai

Date: April 22, 2010

Contact: Julian Mueller

On April 22, 2010 the Austrian Service Abroad at the Shanghai Academy of Social Science and the Austrian Center Shanghai invited to a rigorous debate over China's alleged stereotype picture in Western media. The panel discussion entitled "China's Image in the international Media - Myth or Reality" was held at the School of Journalism of Fudan University.

Two German foreign correspondents, Frank Hollmann, freelance journalist to the ARD in Shanghai and Janis Vougioukas, East Asia correspondent of the magazine "Stern", represented the German media in China. Cornelia Vospertnik, correspondent of ORF in Beijing, who was scheduled to join the discussion, unfortunately had to cancel her participation due to flight delays caused by the volcanic ash eruptions of Eyjafjallajökull in Iceland. For better understanding of the Chinese perspective Baokang Lu, senior editor of the Wenhui Daily and Deng Jianguo, professor of journalism at Fudan University, contributed to the discussion. Around 60 participants, among them the head of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Shanghai, Mr. Thomas Awe, actively joined the discussion. The statements of the participants showed very contrary points of view on the topic.

Panel Discussion:
China's Image in the International Media - Myth or Reality?

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中国在国际媒体中的形象——迷思还是现实?

Panelists:
Janis Vougioukas, East Asia Correspondent, Der Stern
Cornelia Vospertnik, China Correspondent, Austrian Broadcasting (ORF)
Lu Baokang, Senior Editor, Wenhui Daily
Dr. Deng Jianguo, Lecturer, School of Journalism Fudan University

Date: 22. April, 2010 (Thursday)
Time: 14:00 - 16:00
Location: Room 101, Teaching Building, Journalism School Fudan University, 400 Guoding Road, Shanghai
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Organizers: Austrian-Center, Fudan University
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Austrian-Chinese Music University

As Austria has a long tradition in music education, the Chinese Ministry of Education and the Municipality of Beijing have strived for several years to initiate a cooperation program with Austria in this field.

After intense negotiations, several concerts and master courses held by professors from the University 'Mozarteum', the University of Music and Performing Arts Graz, and the University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna, a cooperation agreement for developing a so-called Austrian-Chinese Music University at the China Conservatory was signed in 2007.

The project is divided into two stages and is coordinated by Prof. Otto Kolleritsch, former president of the University of Music and Performing Arts Graz.

1st step: one-year courses, offering a kind of preparatory education for highly gifted students who either want to apply for studies in Austria or would like to receive some special education in the Austrian tradition of playing and interpreting music. These courses are held in Beijing and started in October 2008 in the majors piano and singing.

Two junior professors, Mrs. Lu Yao for piano (University Mozarteum Salzburg) and Ms. Cordula Stepp for singing (University of Music and Performing Arts Graz), are resident in Beijing as functional assistants to Prof. Klaus Kaufmann (University Mozarteum Salzburg) and Prof. Claudia Rueggeberg (University of Music and Performing Arts Graz).



Location: China Conservatory

Opening: October 2007

Furthermore, a lectureship was established in cooperation with the Austria Cooperation in Science, Education and Culture and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, to prepare students for music studies in Austria.

2nd step: after an evaluation of the one-year courses Bachelor studies, based on the curriculum which Austrian music universities have developed, could be introduced leading after three years of studies in Beijing and one year of studies in Austria to an academic degree from Austria. At the beginning, instruction on a very high artistic level in the same instruments as are taught in the master courses and the one-year study program is intended.

In 2008 a sponsorship for violin was provided by NXP Semiconductors (Beijing) Ltd. and its COO & Senior Director, Mr. Franz Obenaus.

Last but not least, a special word of thanks to AKM for their sponsorship of CDs, choral works, booklets and video tapes to help establish a library at the Austrian-Chinese Music University.





Activities 2010

The winter term of 2010/2011 offered master courses of one week each, together with a preparative phase of three weeks, held by a junior professor and a correpitior. The courses were accepted with great success. Thus, in 2010 twenty students took part in the entrance exams, seven passed the entrance exams.

Field of tasks and teaching methods

The task of a junior professor comprises teaching by blocks in singing as well as organizing master courses and concerts held by the senior professor in Beijing. The correpitior is responsible for correpitition both during the block teaching and the master course. At present there are 13 Chinese students in the singing class. They are between 20 and 26 years old and cover all voice types.

Teaching Model

Contrarily to the last two years, the students will be taught in monthly block teaching beginning with the teaching year 2010/2011. A preparatory phase of three weeks held by the junior professor and the correpitior precedes the one week master course.

Block Teaching

45 minutes private tuition in voice technique and articulation: individual work in singing and articulation on texts and works which the student has to master.
45 minutes private tuition in co repetition: Individual

work on texts both in respect of music and language using texts and works which the student has to master.
45 minutes private tuition in literature with co repetition: Individual preparatory work on texts and works in respect of culture, aesthetics, language and music, which the student has to master.

Master Courses

In the week of the master course every student gets three periods of 45 minutes each of single tuition by a senior professor, accompanied by the correpitior at the piano. The programme studies done so far are consolidated and refined. The background of the various pieces is analyzed both in respect of voice technique and cultural background.

Advantages of Block Teaching

By using block teaching the teaching of the ACMU is not considered a rival of the singing lessons provided by teaching offered by the China Conservatory. Thus students from every age group were able to enrol for the entrance exam. Moreover, guest professors of the China Conservatory who did not send any students to the entrance exams of last year have now encouraged their students to take part in the ACMU programme. Moreover, the time-limited offer of teaching has made the students more concentrated and eager. The combination of intensive preparation phases and consolidating master courses has paid off and long time effects are secured. After all this is shown by the performances of the singers in the final concerts of the master classes.

Chamber Music

After Prof. Paul Roczek's initial visit to China Conservatory in November 2009, where he could listen to many violin students and to the pupils of the connected music middle school as well as having many conversations with leading members of the faculty, Prof. Roczek started the chamber music project in June 2010. Prof. Roczek was accompanied by his assistant Michaela Girardi, who together with Prof. Wolfgang Redik and

himself is part of the teaching staff of the Mozarteum in this project. Two string quartets were presented to them to play compositions by Beethoven: the technical level was rather low as well as the students had almost no background knowledge about composers, forms and contents of compositions or about other works by the same composer. Prof. Roczek and his assistant gave students some suggestions how to rehearse on these kind of pieces, which works they should study in the next future and how to work hard to reaching some goals in this field.

There was also a chamber orchestra prepared to play two of the Salzburg's symphonies by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Prof. Roczek was asked to conduct the rehearsals of this group of about fifty musicians and perform as a conductor in a final concert on the last day of our stay. He was very well supported by the chef conductor of the Conservatory and the instrumental teachers Mr. Hui Jin and Mr. Jianan Zhao. The performance happened to be a big success as the students played very well organized and with great discipline. It was basically a good opportunity to tell and show them how we handle the great tradition in Austria and what is important in interpretation of classic compositions. After the concert the president of the China Conservatory and the head of the string department, Mr. Junxia Hou spoke of the importance of this cooperation and confirming the support of the Conservatory.

From December 30, 2010 to January 5, 2011 Prof. Roczek came a third time to Beijing; this time the goal of his visit was to teach six string quartets who were pre-

senting works by Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven. As in his view the artistic level could be enhanced in ensembles, Prof. Roczek had constructive discussions with the dean and other members of the faculty. Finally, an audition was held with all students. During this audition Prof. Roczek was authorized to select among the good students in order to form one or two quartets with some prospect to work out performances on a good level which can be presented in a coming up concert next June in a famous concert hall. These two quartets will have to rehearse together on fixed dates three/four times a week and have to be presented to us via video conference to check the progress before Michaela Girardi is scheduled to go to Beijing in April 2011.

Concerts and Events

- Concert "Night of Salzburg Chamber Music", June 2010, China Conservatory
- China Youth Philharmonic Orchestra Concert, Salzburg, Austria
- 200 Years Gustav Mahler – Celebration Concert

The final concert of the first master course took place on December 20, 2010 at the Opera Hall of the Concert Hall of the China Conservatory in Beijing. The final concert of the second master course will take place on March 31, 2011. The final concert of the third master will take place on June 5, 2011 at the National Theatre for the Performing Arts.



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The Sino–Austrian Center for Media and Marketing



Location: Fudan University, Shanghai

Opening: 2004

In 2004, first agreements on the development of the Sino-Austrian Center for Media and Communication Management were made between Fudan University, the School of Journalism at Fudan University, the International Foundation for Media and Marketing, and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

The center was set up as a joint project between the School of Journalism at Fudan University, the Departments of Communication and Journalism at the Universities of Salzburg and Vienna, and the Center for Advanced Studies in Information and Communication Technologies & Society (ICT'S) of the University of Salzburg.

In April 2005, Austrian and Chinese experts from media practice and media science met again. The negotiations resulted in the final agreement of April 2005, which concretized the “Memorandum on the Agreement on the Development of the Sino- Austrian Center for Media and Marketing of October 2004”.

In May 2006, a statement of cooperation was signed between the partners, which stressed the importance of student exchange programs on a master's and Ph.D. level as well as joint research programs.

Being a joint project founded in 2005 by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and Fudan University, the Master's Exchange Program is a major issue for the Sino-Austrian Center for Media and Communication Management. As the multi-perspectives approach is a crucial fac-

tor for the quality of the entire exchange program, the main objectives set are the achieving of trans-cultural competences in the field of media and communication management, and the gaining of mutual insights into different cultural and economic systems. Up to now, in the year 2010 more than 150 Austrian and Chinese students successfully completed the Master Exchange Program in Media and Communication Management (MCM).

In June 2007, the conference entitled “China's Changing Values and the Resultant Impact on Society, Culture and Economy – an East-West Perspective” was organized. The conference aimed at creating a picture of the new open policy in China and the possible influence of value changes on Chinese society, culture and economy, as well as the role of the media in this change of values.

Another important activity is the Sino-Austrian Media Management Training Program in collaboration with the Media & Marketing Academy. The purpose of the Media & Marketing Academy is to create a broad range of executive training programs for the development of professional skills in media management, and to establish a forum for the exchange of academic research, professional experience and ‘best practice’. The programs will include workshops and seminars, field trips and exchange programs, as well as ‘best practice’ forums. The Sino-Austrian Media Management Training Program is meant to be a basis for the development of further programs focusing on special topics in the area of media management and marketing, with Vienna functioning as a central European hub for these programs. Cooperation with other cities like Hamburg, or with international organisations like the European Union, or with big media companies, will give these programs a truly global character.

A fourth turn of the Master Exchange Programme – “Media and Communication Management” successfully accomplished.

On September 28th 2010, the Master Exchange Programme “Media and Communication Management (MCM)” started for the fourth time already. As the globalisation of science increases the competitiveness of students all over the world, international experience is indispensable for future decision-makers, especially in the field of media and communication. In line with this process, the developing of new transcultural cooperation becomes absolutely vital. China with its growing importance in global economy and as an increasing factor in the global media and communication industry, represents a crucial partner in the field of academic science and research.

In the context of the Master Exchange Programme, the University of Salzburg welcomed 20 exchange students from the Fudan University (Shanghai, China) and the BFSU (Beijing, China) for the winter term 2010/2011. The Master Exchange programme brings together Chinese and Austrian students in the field of communication. By cooperating closely for two semesters, they gain first-hand experience in order to meet the challenges of a global future. Students who attend the programme will receive a special certification for an international programme in media and communication management. The main objectives of the programme

include the enforcement of transcultural competences in the field of media and communication management and possibilities for mutual insights into different cultural and economic systems. The programme focuses on the perspectives “Culture & Society”, “Technology” and “Economy”. Considering the multi-perspectives approach as a crucial factor for the quality of the entire exchange programme, transcultural competence will be introduced as a basic principle raising mutual understanding and respect.

The Media and Communication Management exchange programme is a cooperation between acknowledged academic institutions and partners. The University of Salzburg with Dr. Thomas Herdin (Department of Communication) and Ass. Prof. Ursula Maier-Rabler (ICT&S Center), the Fudan University in Shanghai (School of Journalism) with Prof. Li Shuanglong, the Beijing Foreign Studies University, and the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet collaborate with this project. The programme is based on the agreement “Sino-Austrian Center for Media & Marketing” signed in 2004, to develop and jointly implement a “Media and Communication Management Programme” between partners from Austria and China. As all programmes are on a learning curve, the annual MCM evaluation ensures that this exchange programme undergoes an established improvement process. During the first year, the programme was equally split between the Universities of Salzburg and Vienna.



Due to the structure of the Austrian university landscape, this resulted in problems regarding courses, as most of them require a 4-months' presence of the students. Accommodation matters are equally easier to handle if there is only one main partner institution where the large part of a programme takes place. Therefore, in the second year the programme was mostly held in Salzburg, and the University of Vienna invited all programme participants to join a 10-days "Vienna Window", providing further courses, excursions and cultural experiences. This advanced version of the MCM programme was well received and the organizational matters could be improved. In the second year, the participants from China came from three different universities – two from Beijing, one from Shanghai – which resulted in a quite heterogeneous group. The students stemmed from different regions and had a different educational background as well (language students and students of computer science also took part in the programme), a fact that had an observable impact on the group processes. In order to counter negative group dynamics, in the third year a more ho-

mogenous group was aimed for. Thus, the programme was limited to two Chinese partner universities – the Fudan University in Shanghai and the BFSU in Beijing. Furthermore, most of the students participating in the programme were actually regular students of communication studies, only a few of them were management students. The result of these actions was a homogeneous group of students which could improve the overall quality of the programme. Finally, it is recommended that the Chinese universities, as the University of Salzburg did from the very first year on, organize at least one meeting where future programme participants have the chance to meet MCM alumni. Former participants are a valuable source of first-hand information as well as personal recommendations that can ease access to a foreign culture a lot.



Sino-Austrian Biomarker Research Center

Location: Peking University Health Science Center,
Beijing, China

Opening: May 2006

Over the past year, the Sino-Austrian Biomarker Center's focus was placed on breast cancer. In two comprehensive studies we could reveal certain markers that showed strong associations with breast cancer.

In one study we focused on cell-cycle regulatory proteins such as Cyclin A, Cyclin E, BUBR1, MAD2 and Aurora A, which have been proven to play crucial roles in carcinogenesis¹. We examined the expression status of these candidate proteins in a set of 117 invasive ductal carcinomas, and evaluated their associations with known clinicopathological parameters and the expressions of estrogen receptor, progesterone receptor, Ki-67 and Her-2. Our findings suggested that the evaluation of BUBR1, MAD2 and Aurora A expression levels is likely to improve accuracy of prognostic predictions in invasive ductal breast carcinoma.

In a second study we analyzed genetic variants in two genes in 1334 cases of infiltrating ductal breast cancer and 1568 matched controls². In both, the AURKA and the BRCA1 gene, we found genetic variants associated with breast cancer susceptibility, confirming our assumption that they may contribute to breast cancer development.

Nevertheless, further studies are necessary to determine whether our findings can be applied to a wider range of populations and other cancer types.

In a recent study we are validating whether our findings can be adapted to ovarian and uterine cancer.

The Institute of Analytical Chemistry and Radiochem-



istry at the Leopold-Franzens University Innsbruck, chaired by Prof. Guenther Bonn, has been welcoming PhD students and Post-Docs from China for specialisation and training purposes. The main beneficiaries of this program should be young scientists from both China and Austria.

The Sino-Austrian Center for Biomarker Discovery also invites researchers from China and Austria to participate in further joint studies in the field of biomarker discovery for cancer early detection.

¹Juan Du, Qiang Du, Yang Zhang, Constantin Sajdik, Yuan Ruan, Xin-xia Tian and Wei-gang Fang (2011) Expression of cell-cycle regulatory proteins BUBR1, MAD2, Aurora A, cyclin A and cyclin E in invasive ductal breast carcinomas. *Histol Histopathol* 26, 761-768 (2011)

²Yuan Ruan, Ai-Ping Song, Hui Wang, Yun-Tao Xie, Ji-Yuan Han, Constantin Sajdik, Xin-Xia Tian and Wei-Gang Fang (2011) Genetic polymorphisms in AURKA and BRCA1 are associated with breast cancer susceptibility in a Chinese Han population. 2011 Mar 25. doi: 10.1002/path.2902

Austria–China Research Centre for Environmental Protection

The overall goal of the “Sino-Austrian Research Centre for Environmental Protection and Renewable Energies” (SARCEP) is defined as to initiate and promote joint research projects and educational programs as well as to create public awareness & sensitivity concerning environmental and energy-related issues. Also to involve governmental institutions into discussion on and design of scientifically based environmental effective demonstration projects.

Following this goal during previous activities at SARCEP and supported by all related EPU-Partners “grazing” as a form of land-use has been identified as an issue most important for the survival of people but also most destructive for nature in the Central-Asian region. As pastures/grazing land is heavily degraded in most of the Central Asian countries, which stimulates and causes soil erosion and land-slides with also a strong negative impact on socio-economic welfare of the rural population as well as migration, the quality of this land category shall be stabilized and improved in order to serve as a main economic backbone for Central Asia and to prevent from natural hazards like drought, floods, landslides, sedimentation, etc. So, sustainable and integrated grazing land/pasture management technologies have to be developed and/or adapted to the Central Asian natural/ecological, social and economic conditions.

Therefore initiative has been taken and a proposal designed to establish an EPU-Centre on “Sustainable Pasture Management in Central Asia” of its own – diversified into two locations according to different goals: Mongolia and Kyrgyz Republic.

Location: Northwest A&F University, Yangling

Opening: May, 2007

The component at Mongolian State University of Agriculture, Ulaanbaatar will be “teaching of pasture specialists for universities” on state of the art scientific level. The main activities will be:

- conducting inter- and trans- disciplinary, multilateral research on pasture improvement,
- academic education,
- organizing conferences on this topic. A working group will be founded, which will develop standards and curricula (both undergraduate and master).

The component at Naryn State University will be the establishment of a practical oriented “integrated sustainable demonstration pilot project” in Kyrgyzstan on best practice level. Its main activities:

- organization of practical oriented multilateral seminars, workshops, training courses, round tables with participation of representatives of local authorities, government agencies, academia and the business sector,
- preparation and publication of maps of pasture type of use,
- developing a booklet/manual for pasture users,
- collection, documentation and dissemination of resource-saving technologies,
- demonstration of methods for sustainable use of rangelands. Also capacity building for pasture committee members and pasture users are important aspects of this initiative.

The first steps to realize this project shall be taken in 2011 and 2012.

Sino–Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences

Location: China Academy of Chinese Medical
Sciences, Beijing

Opening: September 16, 2007

In June 2005, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences signed the first Memorandum of Agreement on close cooperation in the field of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM), including all relevant member institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. The Expert Workshop “Quality Standards in Traditional Chinese Medicine” was introduced in 2005 and took place in Salzburg. The main goal of this workshop, which was joined by experts from China and Austria, was to build a platform for a sustainable exchange of ideas regarding TCM in China and Austria.

In the course of the Medical Expert Meetings in Beijing and Shanghai in September 2006, one day was organized in Beijing focusing on Traditional Chinese Medicine. Experts from China and Austria took the opportunity to exchange further ideas on cooperation, and the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences presented a first proposal about establishing a joint research platform between China and Austria.

As a next step, the expert conference “Traditional Chinese Medicine – A Successful Concept for East and West” took place in November 2006 in Vienna, Austria. This conference has proved a milestone for the medical

and scientific research cooperation between China and Austria. The conference focused on a discussion of the interface between TCM and western medicine, as well as on scientific research regarding effectiveness and practical applications, and of course the benefits for the patients. In the course of the conference, experts from Chinese and Austrian universities and institutions, as well as from the Austrian Ministry of Health and Women, further discussed the implementation of a joint research platform. The Austrian side introduced its concept of a “TCM Research Cluster Austria”, which includes all interested Austrian universities, and aims at doing joint research in various fields of TCM. Parallel to the Austrian Cluster, a Chinese platform, headed by the “China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences”, shall be established and shall also include several interested member institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. These conferences on TCM resulted in a common wish of the participants to establish a joint research center. Therefore, on 16 October 2007, the Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences was officially opened. Following the official opening, the 2007 Expert Forum on Traditional Chinese Medicine was held at the China Academy for Chinese Medical Sciences. It was jointly organized by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and the China Academy for Chinese Medical Sciences, and was attended by various experts from Austrian and Chinese research institutions. The aim of this forum was to specify future cooperation plans in conjunction with the Sino-Austrian Collaborating Centre for Chinese Medical Sciences. Different projects were therefore presented by various experts from several Chinese and Austrian universities. During the two days of the Forum, the key task was to find researchers on both sides who would work jointly on these projects, which cover the whole range of Chinese Medical Sciences, including theory, application, medicinal plants and drug safety. The research projects presented all covered TCM and age-diseases as one of the main topics. From May 28th to 30th, 2008, the TCM Research Cluster Austria held a Progress Meeting with their Chinese counterparts at the China Academy of Chinese Medical



Sciences in Beijing. In the course of the meeting, presentations were made by the above-mentioned project groups and their Chinese counterpart. Most important were the signing of the letters of intent of the partners from both countries. It was a very good opportunity for the scientists of both countries to improve mutual understanding and communications, and promote the advance of scientific research. Based on their common interests, about 9 projects have been signed under the title “Traditional Chinese Medicine and Age-Related Diseases”. Financial support is given by both Austrian ministries (Science and Research / Health) and by the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences for the next three years.

Following the financial guarantees from the Austrian and Chinese sides, funding agreements were presented to the Austrian research partners on September 1, 2008, in Vienna. The first two interim reports from every research group were given to both Austrian ministries in February, 2009, and September, 2009. It was decided that the TCM researchers would have to report to the ministries at intervals of six months.

The operational facilities for the Center, which include offices and scientific work stations, are provided by the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences in Beijing. An office for organizational issues, and laboratory facilities for scientific research, is located there. The facilities are open to all researchers involved in the Center. An administrative board, a committee, and a scientific board have been set up for the coordination of projects.

One year after the last joint meeting in Beijing, it was agreed that Eurasia-Pacific Uninet organizes from June 4 to 6, 2009, a TCM Evaluation Meeting at the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences / Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences in Beijing. Researchers from the Austrian and Chinese side, as well as representatives from Austrian and Chinese Ministries, joined the meeting. Welcome addresses were given by the President of the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences, Prof. Cao Hongxin, and by Prof. Brigitte Winklehner as President of Eur-

sia-Pacific Uninet. From the Austrian Ministries, Prof. Robert Schloegel, Vice-Minister of the Austrian Federal Ministry of Health, and Prof. Manfred Horvath from the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research, welcomed the researchers. During the first two days, researcher partners from both countries cooperated intensively on their projects. Next to exchanging and compiling data, strategies of cooperation for the coming years were designed, and compounds and targets of research were decided in detail. On the third day, the current scientific results were presented in the plenum, followed by a discussion concerning future steps. The projects included applications of TCM in the fields of therapy and prevention of age related diseases (neurodegeneration, chronic inflammation (polyarthritis, asthma), cardiovascular disease and metabolic syndrome). Prof Horvath, as an evaluator from the Austrian side, gave a final statement expressing his position on the current progress of activities. He also stated that the TCM projects will be further monitored and that the progress of individual projects, the level of coordination, concertation and integration of the projects' activities and results, and the developments regarding the general objectives of the Joint TCM Project, will be kept in mind.. The monitoring system will be implemented through annual monitoring exercises by an independent expert, or by independent experts assigned and appointed by the Austrian Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF).



Follow Up Meeting of the Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences

Partners: University of Graz, Medical University of Vienna, University of Vienna, University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna, Medical University of Graz, University of Innsbruck, Austrian Ministry of Health, Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences, Beijing University of Chinese Medicine, Capital University of Medical Sciences, Beijing

Venue: Hotel Central, Seefeld, Austria

Date: September 24–27, 2010

Contact: Rudolf Bauer, Brigitte Winklehner



The Follow Up Meeting of the Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences was organized to take place from September 24 -27, 2010, in Innsbruck and Seefeld. After arrival of the Chinese partners on 24th, a visiting programme had been jointly organized by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU) and the university in Innsbruck for September 25th, which included a visit of the University of Innsbruck, sightseeing in Innsbruck, and a visit of Swarovski Crystal World.

One year after the last joint evaluation meeting in Beijing the partners of the joint research project „Traditional Chinese Medicine and Age related Di-

seases“ met again for scientific exchange on the 26th and 27th September at Hotel Central in Seefeld. The meeting was attended also by representatives from the Austrian Federal Ministries of Health and of Science and Research. Welcome addresses were given by Prof. Günther Bonn, as a representative of University of Innsbruck, Prof Brigitte Winklehner, President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Prof. Cao Hongxin, President of the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences, Prof. Robert Schlögel, Austrian Federal Ministry of Health, and MR Mag. Christine Buzeczki, Austrian Ministry of Science and Research.

After introduction of the participants, the partners of the research projects met in individual meetings to discuss the progress of the projects and the next steps and also to prepare the joint presentation. A joint discussion of the TCM Ph.D. and Post-Doc scholarships followed. Prof. Robert Schloegel remarked upon the successful Austrian Chinese Cooperation and the possibilities of funding a future TCM Cooperation 2011-2013. In the discussion all participants agreed on being willing to continue the collaboration and that funding is urgently needed. At the end of the first meeting day, Prof. Cao Hongxin gave a presentation on “Treatment of Bird Flu by TCM-Medicine”. The evening was spent together with continued discussions on the projects and the Austrian Chinese friendship.

Next day, the presentations with the interim reports of the Austrian and Chinese project partners followed. Plenty of results were presented, which showed the good outcome of the projects. Both the representatives of the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research and the Austrian Federal Ministry of Health, but also of China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences were impressed and accepted the presentations. The partners agreed to prepare an intermediate report until end of the year in order to support the need for a second funding period. A final joint evaluation meeting was scheduled for May 2011 in Beijing.

Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering

In recognition of the great success achieved since 2003 through cooperation in such academic activities as the organization of seminars, symposia and joint research programs, as well as through the exchange programme for senior students and scientists in the field of tunnel and underground engineering, Tongji University in Shanghai proposed to Eurasia-Pacific Uninet the idea of setting up a joint research institution. After constructive discussions between the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Professor Brigitte Winklehner, and the Vice-President of Tongji University, Professor Yang Dongyuan, in June 2007, both parties entered into an agreement to establish a joint Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering, which will enhance and strengthen the existing ties between Tongji University and the Austrian research institutions involved.

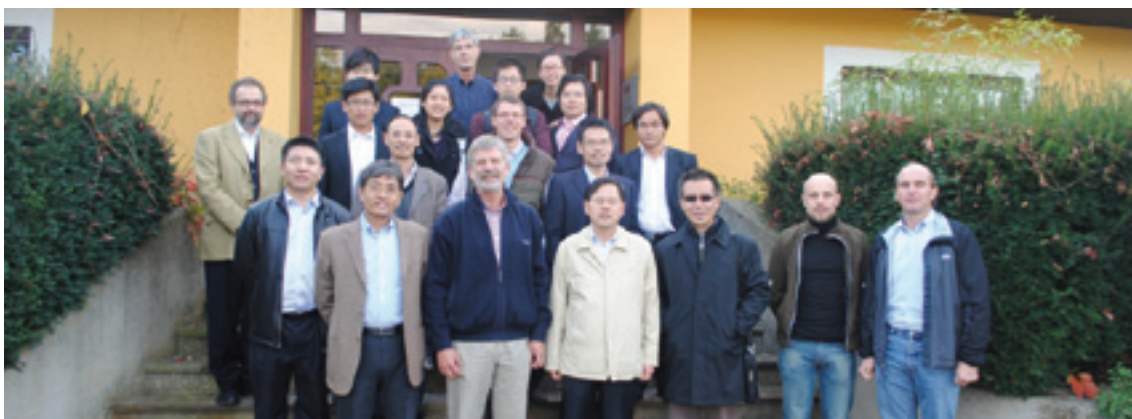
Several Austrian universities with specialized departments in this field submitted letters of intent with regard to participating in such a center, proposing various topics as a basis for future projects. The universities referred to were: the Technical Universities of Vienna and Graz, the University of Leoben, the University of Innsbruck, the University of Natural Resources Vienna and the University of Applied Sciences Carinthia. The formal opening ceremony of the Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering took place in October 2007.

Location: Tongji University, Shanghai
Opening: October 2007

The Center serves as a link between Austria and China in the field of tunneling and underground engineering. It provides information exchange and training programs, and will play an active role in promoting public interest and extension services beneficial to both sides. Therefore it also conducts research, develops scientific technology and tools, and introduces improved methods of achieving concordant development. Joint research projects, as well as educational and training programs, will be promoted, and it is planned to hold conferences and meetings on a regular basis.

Tongji University will provide such necessities as permanent premises, and will grant access to specific laboratories. A further goal of the Center is to involve industry in future projects in order to make work as practical as possible and to ensure that it is of benefit not only to the students and researchers but also to the public at large through the improvement of infrastructures in both countries.

From December 8–9, 2008 the activity “Third ACTUE International Symposium – Towards a Safe and Saving Underground Space” was organized at Tongji University, Shanghai.



Activities in the field of Tunneling and Underground Engineering:

Activities 2010

Recent Developments in Underground Tunnel Construction

After the formal opening of the Austria-China Research Centre on Tunnel and Underground Engineering in October 2007, followed by a workshop in Shanghai in December 2008, about 30 researchers and industrial partners from Austrian Universities and Tongji University met again in Graz in October 2010 to hold a 3-day workshop titled Recent Developments in Underground Tunnel Construction.

The first 1 1/2 days were devoted to presentations followed by two excursions. 21 lectures were delivered covering a wide range of topics related to tunnelling. For example, material behaviour of shotcrete and rock was discussed, as well as physical and numerical modelling of different aspects important in tunnel excavation, such as face stability. The importance of recycling tunnel excavation material was highlighted. Also the use of thermal energy from tunnels was addressed and although the potential of this technology is recognized by experts from Austria and China it is

acknowledged that exploitation in practice has still to be developed further. All presentations were followed by lively discussions leading to an exchange of experience between various research groups.

In the afternoon of Tuesday, an excursion to a tunnel site of the “Koralm-Project” was well received by all participants, as was the following visit to a local vine yard. On the third day, a full day excursion was organized to another interesting tunnel presently under construction, namely the second tube of the Bosruck Motorway Tunnel in the northern part of Styria, including a cultural visit to Admont. On the overall, the workshop was a successful continuation of the collaboration between Austria and China in tunnelling. Thanks is due to the team of the Institute for Rock Mechanics and Tunnelling of the Graz University of Technology, in particular Thomas Pilgerstorfer, for organizing this event perfectly.

Finally it should be mentioned that a number of students from Tongji University have been staying at various institutions in Austria in 2010 pursuing joint scientific studies, proving that the Austria-China Research Centre on Tunnel and Underground Engineering has been active throughout the year 2010. It is planned that the series of workshops will be continued with a similar event at Tongji University in 2012.



China-Austria Research and Innovation Center on Logistics, Information Flow, Supply Chain Management and Material Flow

Mobility and transport is crucial to our quality of life and is vital for China's and the European Union's competitiveness. As the backbone of our economy it links the different states of production chains and allows industry to reach its clients. As such it is crucial for achieving the goals of the European Union's Lisbon strategy for growth and development. By 2009, China is the European Union's 2nd biggest trading partner and the Chinese-European trade is responsible for a substantial part of the CO₂ emissions produced by world-wide trade movements. In recent years, the European Parliament and the European Council have stressed the importance of a sustainable transport policy, especially in the context of addressing climate change. The China-Austria Research and Innovation Center in Logistics, Information Flow, Supply Chain Management and Material Flow, focuses on comprehensive approaches for sustainable transport management. The centre was established in September 2009 and is located at Beijing Jiaotong University. It is legally based on an agreement between the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet members Beijing Jiaotong University, Beihang University, Peking University, Vienna University of Technology, Vienna University of Economics and Business, University of Vienna, and University of Linz. The Centre aims at integrating all research aspects in the areas of

Partners: Vienna University of Technology, University of Vienna, Vienna University of Economics and Business, University of Linz, Beijing Jiaotong University, Peking University, Beihang University
Venues: Beijing Jiaotong University, Beijing; Peking University, Beijing; Fangchenggang and Nanning, Guangxi Province

logistics, information flow, supply chain management, and material flow to enable innovation in this economically most eminent area.

In 2010, the Centre partners conducted research on (i) new logistics and manufacturing trends and their impacts on economic and environmental sustainability, and (ii) semantic web based logistic information sharing. The overall goals are to (i) increase economic, social, and environmental sustainability of logistics, and (ii) improve the logistics service efficiency for suppliers and customers on logistics information platforms. Additionally, the Centre conducted research on the Chinese railway freight transportation grid. Based on the present situation of Chinese railway freight transporta-



tion information systems, the Centre elaborated on its problems, discussed potential solution implementations, and designed a typical application scenario of the solution.

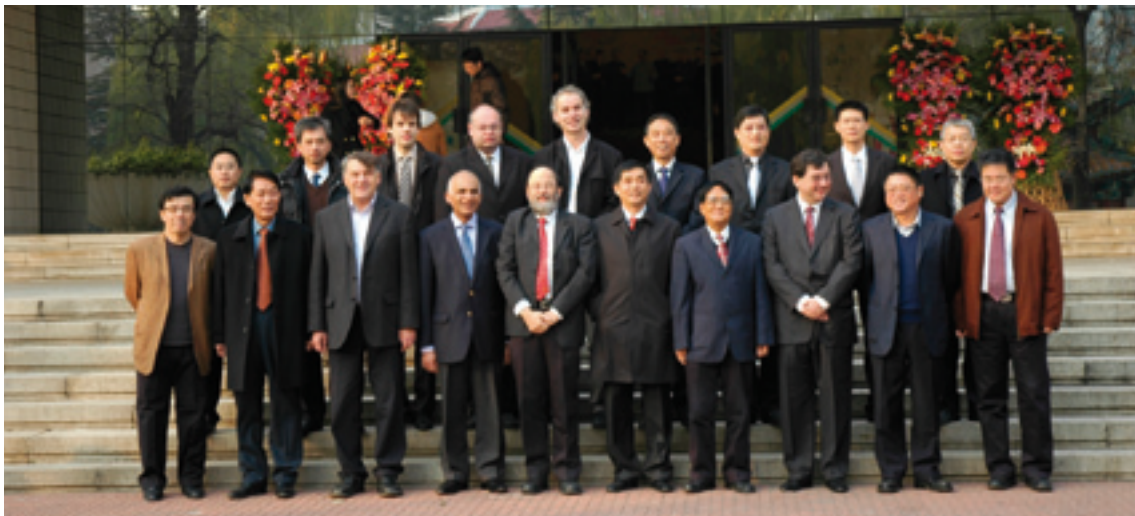
From November 22 – 27, 2010, the Centre and its participants conducted the 1st China-Europe Forum for Material Flow/Logistics at Beijing Jiaotong University. The main forum topic was “Supply Chain in the Future: Low-carbon and Sustainable Development”. Attendees and speakers included governmental, academic, and industrial representatives from China, EU, and US. In accompanying workshops, the participants identified future challenges in the field of sustainable transport management systems and planned joint research projects in these fields. Potential future EU research and collaboration projects in the field of sustainable transport management have been discussed and prepared at Peking University. In addition to the forum in Beijing, the participants visited logistics hubs and ports in the southern cities Fangchenggang, Nanning, Qinzhou, and Donghai (Guangxi province).

Coordinated by the Vienna University of Technology, the Centre applied for additional EU funding in 2010 to open its successful Chinese-Austrian cooperation to further European organizations. The corresponding

EU proposal involves 14 leading European and Chinese universities and aims at opening the Centre to Cranfield University (UK), Darmstadt University of Technology (DE), University of Neuchatel (CH), AGH University of Science and Technology (PL), University of Hohenheim (DE), and University of Amsterdam (NL).

In addition to the strong academic network, 28 European and Chinese industrial and governmental partners supported the proposal. Amongst others, the industry and government consortium includes: National Development and Reform Commission (China), OMV (Austria), China Federation of Logistics and Purchasing (China), Austrian Airlines (Austria), COFCO Coca-Cola (China), Petrochina (China), NXP (Austria), Shanghai Combines Ports (China), and GuangZhou Port Group (China).

In the upcoming years the Centre will conduct further sustainable transport management research regarding (i) economic and policy aspects, (ii) transport process optimizing, (iii) environmental impact analysis, and (iv) enhanced information technology support. By addressing the identified challenges the Centre aims at providing comprehensive and novel sustainable transport management approaches to industry, government, and research.



Sino-Austrian Diagnosis and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases

The „Sino-Austrian Diagnosis and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases” was founded 2009 under the auspices of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet at the Nanjing First Hospital and the Medical University of Vienna (Fig1,2). This relatively young Eurasia-Pacific Uninet initiative is a raw model of future cooperation in science and technology between China and Austria. Unlike the fact that current focus between partners in medicine in both countries was mainly characterized by the enormous potential of TCM initiatives, the „Sino-Austrian Diagnosis and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases” focuses on the “high tech” end of treatment options and collects the experience already available in both countries.

Cardiovascular treatments, as are cardiac surgery and percutaneous “less invasive” techniques, are rapidly growing in both societies. Therefore the focus on this initiative is to establish a sounding board for modern medicine, technologies, and health care.

The aim of this cooperation is the enhancement of knowledge in the field of cardiovascular diseases, therapeutics and health economics. Both partners have outstanding national and international reputation scientifically as well as clinically.

A “Memorandum of Understanding” for Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases was signed by Prof. Dr. Rudolf Mallinger, vice-chancellor of the Medical University of Vienna, by Prof. Huaining Pan, the President of Nanjing First Hospital, the Affiliated Hospital of Nanjing Medi-

Location: Nanjing First Hospital, the Third Affiliated Hospital of Nanjing Medical University

Opening: June 2010

cal University, and by Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner, the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Austria in June 2010 in Vienna and in Nanjing.

The partners agreed to cooperate in running a Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases to be established at the location of Nanjing First Hospital. Both sides agree to jointly organize refresher trainings by sending outstanding doctors. All partners will promote the exchange of members of their academic staff and graduate student researchers.

Dr. Huang Fuhua, a staff member of the First Nanjing Hospital, Department of Cardiac Surgery, has recently been accepted as a postgraduate fellow at the Medical University of Vienna, Department of Cardiac Surgery, for the period of 3 months. He will start his fellowship in August 2011. His work in the department will include laboratory work, assistance in the operating suite under guidance, as well as work in the experimental research laboratory. This fellowship is under special sponsorship according to the cooperation between Nanjing First University and the Medical University of Vienna (Sino-Austrian Cardiovascular Institute). Dr. Huang will open the fellowship program at



the „Sino-Austrian Diagnosis and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases” and his valuable experience will strengthen the cooperation in the near future.

In October 2010, I was able to attend several operations at Nanjing First Hospital and joined the surgical team during cardiac operations.

I was delighted with the high standard and operating skills of the surgeons and the professional attitude of the whole team led by Professor Steve Chen.

This visit showed clearly that exchange rather than “transfer” of scientific and clinical standards will be the basis for future success of this cooperation. Future scientific and clinical exchange activities will allow better understanding of disease aspects of different ethnic groups, diagnostic and therapeutic standards, as well as health care environments. Whereas in the western world lipid disorders are more pronounced, hypertension is more prevalent in China.

It will be a goal of the fellowship of Dr. Huang to compare scoring systems developed by the European Association of Cardiothoracic Surgery also in clinical use in China to show the differences in the disease develop-

ment, the influence of risk factors, and the outcome in both institutions. Technology and telecommunication are advancing rapidly all over the world and although many ties exist between different health care organizations and professional societies in both countries, the cooperation on an institutional level is unique and the success of this cooperation will be graded by the willingness of involved partners to innovate in the field of scientific exchange and networking.

Interventional treatments of total coronary occlusions (CTO) are one of the high standards in Nanjing First Hospital performed by the international expert Professor Shaoliang Chen, and we will try to establish a practical exchange program also in this field.

As seen, expertise in modern medicine and medical technology is an important prerequisite for treatment of cardiovascular diseases in the new millennium, and the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet initiative to establish cooperation in this field will be the basis of future clinical and scientific achievements in both institutions. Modern China is undergoing a drastic change in lifestyle and therefore cardiovascular diseases will be more prevalent in the Eastern countries. Although prevention of atherosclerosis seems to reduce the incidence of disease and therefore health care costs, the trend in China is opposite to the Western world.

For 2011 the exchange activities will be continued and special focus will be laid on establishing a “routine” cooperation in research and clinical activities. Visits and symposia are planned for the current fiscal year and we will establish a steering committee to explore further options of interest to deepen cooperation and exchange of scientific and clinical ideas, innovations and expertise.



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Austria – Central Asia Collaborating Centre for GIScience – ACA*GIScience

The GIScience Centre, opened in 2008 at the Kyrgyz State University for Construction, Transportation and Architecture is serving as a link between Austrian and Central Asian universities for jointly developing capacities, fostering information exchange and facilitating education. It is playing a proactive role in promoting public awareness and operational geoinformational capabilities in Central Asia.

The annual GISCA conference organized by ACA*GIScience serves as a major showcase and interface with and among international experts in the field of GIScience and geoinformatics.

ACA*GIScience serves as a study centre for the UNIGIS distance learning program, which is tutoring students from the Central Asian region in Russian language, based on english online learning materials. The launch of this program in Central Asia has been assisted by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and the Centre for Geoinformatics at the University of Salzburg through graduate and postgraduate scholarships.

The Centre is serving as a link between Austria and Central Asia in the areas of information exchange, education, teaching, research and training activities, and is playing a proactive role in promoting public awareness and extension services beneficial to both sides. It emphasizes

- facilitating the development of joint research programmes conducted by scientists from the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet member institutions in the target countries;
- creating educational, training and public awareness programmes in geoinformatics science and relevant disciplines;
- encouraging exchange activities between member institutions of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet;
- organising academic activities to promote public understanding, and research on geoinformatics science.

Location: Kyrgyz State University for Construction, Transport and Architecture, Bishkek

Successes of the Centre

The following activities demonstrate the success in establishing ACA*GIScience at KSUCTA for teaching, research, and training activities, for acting as a focal point for cooperation between Austrian Universities and multiple partners across Central Asia, and for providing a centre of competence in GIScience:

- several externally funded research projects were acquired, e.g. from the ADB and within the PALM-ICARDA framework;
- a large (1 Mio Euro) Tempus joint curriculum development project (see <http://tempusgem.zgis.net>) is now supported by the European Commission, with ACA*GIScience serving as the regional coordinator in Central Asia;
- multiple GIS trainings were successfully conducted with and for various organisations in the region;
- the organisation of symposia on GIScience in Central Asia, as well as network development through an annual symposium on GIScience in Central Asia.



4th Central Asia GIS Conference – GISCA'10 “Water: Life, Risk, Energy and Landuse”

Venue: Kyrgyz State University for Construction, Transport and Architecture, Bishkek; Kyrgyzstan and Kyrgyz National Agrarian University (pre-conference workshop)
Date: May 27–28, 2010

<http://gisca10.aca-giscience.org>

EPU partners attending: University of Salzburg, University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna, University of Vienna, University of Graz, Vienna University of Technology, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Carinthia University of Applied Sciences, Graz University of Technology, Kyrgyz State University Construction, Transport and Architecture, Osh Technological University, Kyrgyz State Technical University, Issyk-Kul State University, Korkyt Ata Kyzylorda State University, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, Tashkent State Agrarian University, Tajik Agrarian University, National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Geographic information science and technologies have evolved into a key instrument for managing our societies, environments and infrastructures, as well as individuals' daily lives. Continued success of this development depends on cooperation across disciplines, open information policies and a highly educated workforce. The GISCA series of conferences aims at building a Central Asian network of GIS professionals supporting the sustained development of this region into an environmentally friendly, secure and prosperous society.

The 3rd Central Asia GIS Conference started with a series of pre-conference workshops:

- E-May 24-26 - Workshop “GIS in Environmental Management” at the Kyrgyz National Agrarian University
- F-May 24 - Workshop “Data modeling/ETL with SAFE-FME” (Kyrgyz GIS Association)
- I-May 25 - Workshop “Development of NSDI/Kyrgyz Web Portal” (ACA*GIScience at KSUCTA)
- O-May 26 - Workshop “Open Source Desktop and Server Software” (Kyrgyz GIS Association)

After a get-together at an icebreaker in the evening of May 26, the two-day main conference program chaired by Akylbek Chymyrov and Josef Strobl from the Austria-Central Asia Centre for GIScience (www.aca-giscience.org) commenced on May 27 at the University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic. The conference program brought together speakers from Central Asian countries with their counterparts from Central Europe, as well as representatives from Russia, India, Iran, Turkey, Germany, USA, and several other countries, making it a truly international event.

The 2010 GISCA conference opening ceremony was chaired by KSUCTA Rector Akymbek Abdykalykov and Austrian ambassador HE Ursula Fahringer, emphasizing the value of international cooperation in managing environments, resources and societies at this ancient crossroads between Central Asia and modern geo-spatial technologies.



A keynote on ‘Perspectives of Cartographic Design’ by Karel Kriz from the University of Vienna focussed on cartographic technologies as user interfaces for geo-spatial methods and technologies. The conference lectures were complemented by educational workshops and other learning opportunities for participants, such as access to exhibitions of publications and technologies by GIS companies.

Conference attendees were offered a one-day field trip to Chong-Kemin National Park on the day after the conference adjourned, organized by Dr. Almaz Orozumbekov from KNAU. This trip offered an opportunity to enjoy and appreciate the pristine natural environment in one of Kyrgyzstans great mountain landscapes.



Participants received a copy of the conference proceedings at registration (jointly published by KSUCTA and Salzburg University’s Centre for Geoinformatics). This volume and further information are available at the conference website stated above. Plans for the 2011 conference were made, to be hosted at the Kazakh National University named after Al-Farabi. This venue is expected to widen the recognition of GIS as an indispensable technical resource for the development of the emerging Central Asian economies.

The conference theme of “Water: Life, Risk, Energy and Landuse” and related topics were highlighted by 30 paper presentations highlighting current trends and innovative applications, ranging from environmental monitoring, risk assessment, and planning for sustainability, to logistics and navigation. Over 100 registered participants had the opportunity to continue building a Central Asia-focused network of GI experts and professionals at the social events, supported by conference sponsors ERDAS, Trimble Navigation and SAFE Software.

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D_Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting

3rd Plenary Meeting of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in Nanjing



Organizer: Eurasia-Pacific Uninet,
Nanjing Municipality,
Gaochun County
Date: October 15–18, 2010
Venue: Wujiazui Hotel,
Gaochun County, Nanjing, China

From October 15th to 18th, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU) invited delegates of its member institutions as well as university representatives from Nanjing to participate in the 3rd Plenary Meeting of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU) in Gaochun County, Nanjing, China.

“ Thank you for your wonderful organization of the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting. ”

[China]

In collaboration with the Foreign Affairs Office of Nanjing Municipality and Gaochun County, the meeting, which at the same time marked the 10th anniversary of the university network, was organized successfully. On Oct 16th, around 180 participants from 13 countries and regions were present for the welcoming addresses given by the Secretary of Nanjing Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China, Mr. Zhu Shanlu,

the Austrian Ambassador to China, Dr. Martin Sajdik, and the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU), Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner. After the welcoming luncheon, the participants were split into groups and each visited one respectively two universities in Nanjing, among them: Nanjing University – Departments of Science and Technology, Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing Medical University and the China Pharmaceutical University. These visits provided an opportunity for those four universities to present themselves to all the member institutions of the network. The university visits were combined with a tourist program in Nanjing, which served as a good platform to get to know each other and to discuss the establishment of further academic cooperation. At the evening of October 16th, the participants appreciated also the cordial hospitality of Nanjing Normal University for the invitation to dinner on the beautiful campus of the university. The opening ceremony of the 3rd Plenary Meeting was held on the morning of October 17th. Welcome ad-



addresses were given successively by Mr. Wu Weiguo, CPC Secretary of Gaochun County, Prof. Dr. Hubert Duerrstein, CEO of the Austrian Agency for International Mobility and Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH), and Mr. Sheng Jianxue, vice-director of the department of international cooperation and exchange of the Chinese Ministry of Education. Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, president of the network, gave a presentation of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, which included its ten-year history and an overview of the activities in the last three years since the plenary meeting at Fudan University, Shanghai in 2007. She also introduced the research projects, summer schools and other specific student programs in different subject areas. This was followed by 14 presentations of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet joint research centers and joint schools established all over China, which built a successful framework for joint research, academic activities, student and lecture exchange programs etc. Furthermore, Prof. Hubert Duerrstein and Dr. Irene Mueller, head of the

“ I had a wonderful opportunity to meet institutional members of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet... I must confess that I benefited from every session and institutional presentation of the Plenary Meeting. ”

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Center for International Cooperation & Mobility (ICM) of OeAD-GmbH, introduced the status and work fields of the newly founded OeAD-GmbH and revealed plans for further cooperation and integration of the network into the Austrian Agency for International Mobility and Cooperation in Education and Research.

In the third part of the meeting on October 18th, new member institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU) gave presentations and had the opportunity to intro-

“ ... I wish to express my deep thanks to you for support of my participation in the 3rd Plenary Meeting of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Network... One of the things I really enjoyed was the opportunity to meet with representatives from many universities of EPU Network and to establish contacts for future cooperation. ”

[Tajikistan]



duce themselves to the network. Later on, the international assembly was split into seven working groups: Natural Sciences, Technical Sciences, Economics, Law, Health & Medicine, Social Sciences & Humanities and Culture & Music. This was a unique opportunity for the scholars to discuss research results, teaching experiences, or other academic activities with each other in their specific professional field. There also were talks of further cooperation projects, and a concept of exchange and study programs was discussed. At the end of the working sessions, presentations on the outcome of focus areas and proposed activities for the forthcoming years were made by the group chairs. At the farewell dinner, participants enjoyed not only the hospitality of the Foreign Affairs Office of Gaochun but also the traditional local opera and folk songs of the county.

The 3rd Plenary Meeting ended on October 18th and received a very positive feedback from its delegates: People from different fields, institutions and countries had gathered together, exchanged their thoughts and opinions, and had agreed to cooperate more closely in their specific academic areas. All participants are looking forward to gathering at the next Plenary Meeting in 2012.

Herewith, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet would like to take this opportunity and once again wholeheartedly thank Secretary of Nanjing Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China, Mr. Zhu Shanlu, the Foreign Affairs Office of Nanjing Municipality and Gaochun County for their most precious support and fruitful cooperation during the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting making the meeting a great success.



“ I express gratefulness and appreciation in the name of my university and myself for invitation to participate at Plenary Meeting of Uninet in Nanjing, China and we hope for further cooperation in realization of mutual projects. ”

[Kyrgyz Republic]



D1_Joint EPU-Projects, Conferences & Workshops

International Conference »Recent Trends in Tax Policy in Europe and China«



The Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law, WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business) cooperated with Peking University (PKU) Law School (Prof. Jianwen Liu), the University of Hong Kong (HKU), Prof. Wilson Chow) and the Central University of Economics and Business (CUFE) this year in another joint research project. The project was coordinated and supervised by Prof. Michael Lang and was mainly funded by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

Background

The objective of the joint research project between the participating universities was to identify differences



Partners: WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business), Peking University (PKU) Law School, University of Hong Kong (HKU)s
Venue: WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business)
Date: March–June 2010 (Preparation); July 6-7, 2010 (Conference)
Contact: Prof. Dr. Dr.h.c. Michael Lang, Oliver-Christoph Guenther, LL.M., Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law

and similarities in the tax policy in Europe and the People's Republic of China and to find explanations for the differences. Since economic activities between members of the European Union as well as cross-border transactions beyond European borders with China are strongly increasing, a new and more comprehensive dimension of research and development in international tax law and especially in recent tax policy trends in China and Europe has to be taken into account.

Realization of the project

For the realization of the project the following topics were selected:

- Income Tax Policy for Individuals in Europe
- Income Tax Policy for Individuals in China
- Income Tax Policy for Corporations in Europe
- Income Tax Policy for Corporations in China
- Consumption Tax Policy in Europe
- Consumption Tax Policy in China

Each topic was examined jointly by Chinese and Austrian researchers. Together, the researchers produced a joint written contribution (paper) on their topic in English. Therefore the Austrian and Chinese researchers intensively cooperated and learned from each other. Finally, the participating researchers presented their



research work at a two-day conference in Vienna which took place on July 6 and 7, 2010 at the WU and which was a huge success. In order to meet the demand for the online participation in the conference, the Institute for Austrian and International Tax Law offered for the first time in history a live broadcast. This service was free of charge and was used by more than 15 researchers not only from China, but also from other countries of the world (e.g. Brazil, Germany, India, United Kingdom, etc.).

At the conference Prof. Lang, Prof. Liu, Assistant Prof. Bristar M. Cao and Research & Teaching Associate Oliver-Christoph Günther also presented the book “Europe-China Tax Treaties” (ISBN: 9789041132161) that includes all the papers and therefore the project results of our last cooperation project on the tax treaties concluded between the People’s Republic of China and European countries.

Outlook

Apart from the intense scientific exchange, the project in particular intensified the contact between the Austrian and the Chinese researchers. Numerous ideas for other joint projects have come up and therefore the project partners are not only looking back on another outstanding research project, but are also looking forward to other joint projects in the future.

International Conference on »Health, Wellbeing, Competence and Aging«

During the second Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting in 2007, it was decided upon to strengthen the cooperation between its member institutions in the field of Traditional Medicines and on the topic of Aging Societies and Medicine. As a consequence of this decision, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet together with Peking University Health Science Center organized the International Conference “Multifacetal Aspects of Aging and Age Related Diseases.” The goal of this conference was to present to a diversified audience the phenomenon of aging of humans from a broader perspective. The conference first focused on demographic and socio-economic aspects of aging societies. However, further aspects included the decrease of social care of the elderly people within the family in emerging countries, the growing pressure for governmental institutions to increase budgeting for public health care institutions, age related diseases and therapeutic approaches not only for prolonging life but also, in particular, of improving the quality of life. The medical focus was on age-related diseases such as dementia, neurodegenerative diseases and cardiovascular and metabolic diseases. Nutritional aspects of healthy aging were pointed out in this first conference.

In October 2009, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet together with Fudan University Medical School jointly organized the



Partners: Medical University of Innsbruck, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Venue: Chinese University of Hong Kong, China

Date: October 23–24, 2010

International Conference on the topic of “Prevention of Age-Related Diseases”, which allowed an in depth discussion of the important role of prevention in Health Care and Aging Medicine.

From October 23-24, 2010 Eurasia-Pacific Uninet organized in cooperation with the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Medical University of Innsbruck the International Conference on “Health, Wellbeing, Competence and Aging” which was held at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. This conference was the third international conference of its kind, concentrating on interdisciplinary medical aspects of aging processes organized by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. In 2010, in the focus of interest was health itself and its possible expansion.

Health promotion of the elderly and related topics were examined and presented in an interdisciplinary and holistic medical surrounding, leaving space for inter- and



transcultural comparison, exchange and learning processes. Competence, empowerment, quality of life and wellbeing are the corner stones of New Public Health. This conference dedicated itself to issues that serve as the core for healthy aging. Furthermore, the conference showed that the new concepts of Public Health Understanding can contribute to keep people healthier for a longer lifespan, assuring and maintaining the quality of life and the wellbeing of the elderly and to put into consideration the possible ways of living arrangements – either in intergenerational co-residence, living alone or in nursing homes – in Asian and Western countries and cultures from an inter- and transcultural perspective.

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet welcomed around 60 participants from 13 countries in Asia and Europe. During the conference interesting speeches developed into vivid discussion on the aforementioned topics. Moreover, also poster presentations were held. The participants got an insight in the state of concepts for health promotion and prevention, living conditions, medical applications, physical activities and ways of public and family care.

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet extends herewith its thanks to all faculty and staff members of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Medical University of Innsbruck which worked together and made this conference possible and also a success.

Special thanks are due to the Austrian Ministry of Science and Research, the Medical University of Innsbruck and the Chinese University of Hong Kong as the local host for their joint funding of the conference, especially to Professor PC Leung, Prof. Jean Woo and to Prof. Walter Kofler for their overall support and cooperation.

“ ...The recent congress in Hong Kong was excellently organized and scientifically very interesting to me. ”

[Austria]

“ Congratulations for holding 3rd successful conference on aging... Thank you for providing an opportunity to take part and interact with dignitaries. ”

[India]



Clinical Elective Exchange Program between China and Austria



Partners: Medical University of Vienna; Medical University of Graz; Medical University of Innsbruck; Medical University of Salzburg; PMU, Fudan University; Tongji University; Beijing University of Chinese Medicine

Venue: China and Austria

Date: 2010



The clinical elective student exchange program started in summer 2009.

This year of study 2010/2011 Eurasia Pacific Uninet (EPU) provided grants for 20 months for outgoing students and 20 months for incoming students for summer 2011. Students from China and Austria received the same grant (currently: Euro 600 per month clerkship). All students did a one month or two months

clerkship in one of the hospitals of the partner university to get to know a different health care system and to gain a valuable insight into different methods of medical treatment.

On the Austrian side the Medical Universities of Graz, Innsbruck, Salzburg and Vienna participated in the exchange program. The Chinese partners in this exchange program are the Fudan University Shanghai, Beijing University of Chinese Medicine and Tongji University Shanghai. In 2010/2011 all 7 Medical Universities sent students from Austria to China and from China to Austria.

The student exchange program was very fruitful and a great success. All participants learned a number of new things for their studies of Medicine, the Austrian students in Traditional Chinese Medicine and the Chinese students in Western Medicine. Additionally, all the students learned about the way of life and old traditions in a foreign country and culture.

Workshop on »Dissipative Systems: Kinetic Theory and Semiconductor Theory«

Partners: Vienna University of Technology;
University of Vienna; University of Graz;
Graz University of Technology; University
of Innsbruck; Peking University;
Capital Normal University, Beijing;
City University of Hong Kong;
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Venue: Vienna University of Technology, Austria
Date: November 3–5, 2010



Dissipative systems are mathematical models as well as physical (or electrical, mechanical, etc.) systems that have the tendency (if left alone) to converge to an equilibrium configuration as time becomes large. In real world applications, dissipative systems are typically composed of a large number of interacting particles: electrons in micro-devices, ions in the plasma of fusion reactors, atoms in a Bose-Einstein condensate, gas flowing over the wings of aircrafts, etc. This workshop was focused on dissipative models for semiconductor devices and related mathematical equations. The development and analysis of such models is important for designing ever improved semiconductor devices (like diodes, transistors, and micro-chips). Computer simulations of the charge transport in novel device structures have become an indispensable step in the development cycle. Since they are comparatively cheap and fast, they preceded the (very expensive and time consuming) production of actual device prototypes. The main feature of this workshop was to bring together applied mathematicians, theoretical physicists, and electrical engineers from nine Austrian and Chinese partner universities of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. Ten of the 30 participants came from China. Their joint objective was to discuss new physical models for semiconductor devices (often including quantum mechanical effects), their mathematical structure, and to investigate improved numerical tools and algorithms for their solution in computer simulations.

On the physical level, the workshop included presentations on novel structures like nanowire devices, semiconductor quantum dots, spin transport simulations,

quantum cascade lasers, liquid crystals, and graphene devices. Graphene consists of a mono-atomic layer of carbon and is believed to be a new material platform for future devices. The popularity of this field is reflected by the fact that the 2010 Nobel Prize of physics was awarded for the discovery of graphene. On the mathematical side, the workshop included talks on efficient numerical tools for simulating quantum transport problems and on the interplay of mathematical models on different hierarchies, i.e. on different levels of sophistication (including semiclassical and fluid dynamic limits of hyperbolic-type systems).

The workshop was opened by Prof. Hans Kaiser, vice-rector of Vienna University of Technology, who had recently signed a partnership agreement between TU Vienna and Peking University. The program of the three workshop days was grouped in thematic units on device models, mathematical model hierarchies, and numerical methods. In the evening of the second workshop day the participants had dinner at a Heurigen restaurant, allowing to continue their discussions in an informal and relaxed atmosphere.

Four of the workshop organizers (Arnold, Jüngel, Pötz, and Zhang) are presently supported by a Joint NSFC–FWF Project entitled “Quantum Transport Equations: Kinetic, Relativistic, and Diffusive Phenomena”. This is a first step towards lasting collaborations and joint activities between the Chinese and Austrian scientific communities in partial differential equations and device modelling. Hence, the workshop program was concluded with a one-hour discussion on individual cooperation projects and planning mutual research visits.



International Conference »Public Health and Food Safety Contributions from Medical and Veterinary Sciences«

Partners: Mongolian State University of Agriculture, University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna, Northwest A&F University, Yangling, China

Venue: MSUA Ulan Bataar, Mongolia

Date: July 15-16, 2010

The idea for this joint meeting on medical and veterinary issues originated from existing collaborations between Mongolian and Austrian universities and a lively exchange of scholars and students was supported by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet (EPU). Traditionally, livestock industry is one of the key elements in the Mongolian economy. However, the livestock populations in Mongolia are threatened by harsh natural conditions: recurrent „dzuds“, sudden drops in ambient temperature together with insufficient nutrition, cause extreme mortality in millions of animals. In addition, emerging and inherent infectious and non-infectious

diseases bring about huge losses in population size. Clear improvement of animal health and efficient disease control are therefore indispensable to both food safety and public health.

The Mongolian State University of Agriculture hosted the meeting which was supported by Eurasia Pacific Uninet and by a contribution of the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna. Prof. Badarch Byambaa, the president of MSUA and his team, particularly Dr. Buyantogkh Choijilsuren and Ms. Batchuluun Bolorchimeg and Ms. Teresa Achleitner from the Austrian side worked in detail in the organisation. Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, the president of EPU opened the workshop. A team of experts from the Vetmed Vienna led by Prof. Wolf-Dieter Rausch presented various veterinary aspects from the Austrian perspective. In total, 200 scientists attended the congress with over 130 contributions presented and this was reported on Mongolian television. Participants from Yangling, China as EPU partners as well as Russian and Japanese researchers participated in the conference.



The two-day meeting covered particularly the questions and problems of infectious and contagious diseases such as equine babesiosis, influenza in camels, mycoplasmosis and anthrax and salmonella infections. Nematode infections and ways to eradicate infestations were also presented. Plant poisoning as well as risk of intoxications due to pesticides and herbicides to livestock were discussed. Environmental problems created by extensive mining where the presence of toxic heavy metals creates a threat to animals and humans were demonstrated and discussed. Detailed attention was given to food safety and quality control in milk and meat. Also, the quality evaluation of meat from different species as e.g. horse and polyunsaturated fatty acid content of venison was one of the crucial topics. Specific attention was paid to diagnostic aspects by modern ELISA and PCR techniques to identify and diagnose viral, bacterial and fungal infections. The time around the „Naadam“ Festival was well chosen for the conference as it also gave the Austrian group deep insights into Mongolian traditions and

culture. A trip to the impressive statue of Chinggis Khan overlooking the Tuul valley and the nearby located Terelj Park showed the beauty of the Mongolian countryside. Needless to say the Austrian delegations members were deeply impressed by the hospitality of their Mongolian hosts.

A congress without a follow-up meeting would be meaningless. Though the geographical distance in between Austria and Mongolia does not support a constant exchange of experience, four fellowships of Mongolian teachers of the veterinary department in Vienna were successfully granted this year. The Mongolian colleagues now plan to develop their own vaccine production with Austrian help. A joint summer school could be a further activity in the future. Next year there will be an Austrian center established at the MSUA which will give a platform for joint activities in veterinary and agricultural research of the Mongolian grassland.

Workshop »Health, Wellbeing, Competence in Aging«

Partners: Health Sciences University of Mongolia,
University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Venue: Health Sciences University of Mongolia,
Ulaabataar, Mongolia
Date: July 8, 2010

Universities within the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet over the last years gave high importance to the aspects of aging society. Significant contributions as well came from the side of the Health Sciences University of Mongolia and its Rector Prof. Tserenkhuu Lkhagvasuren. In his lecture he explained how Mongolia devotes attention to aging medicine. Prof. Robert Schloegl, Vice-Minister from the Austrian Health Ministry explained in detail aging strategies, health care for the elderly and the advantages but as well the tremendous costs of aging care in an industrialized society. Both views were followed by detailed round table discussions. Research is showing the biological changes in aging. Hormonal changes and parameters of biological aging in Mongolia were demonstrated by Dr. Munkhhtsetseg. Physiological changes in arterial stiffness and bone density were explained by Dr. Enkhtaivan, a young scientist who finished his PhD thesis in cooperation with Austria. In the Mongolian society also depression and other age related diseases have become an important issue as shown by Dr. Ouynkhand. The underlying neuro-degeneration represents an ongoing cellular process. Here Mongolian medicine has a great potential in the nearer future, where natural substances from traditional medical herbs are promising candidates for neuro-protection as Prof. Rausch explained reviewing current research. The meeting was perfectly rounded up by a post congress get together in a real Mongolian ger village where the colleagues could continue their discussions and plans for future cooperation.



Dynamic Building Simulation With TRNSYS in Mongolia

Emerging from results of the Joint EPU 2009 conference University Development – A Common Platform: Austria & Mongolia, the 2010 project focused on the question of energy efficiency and renewable energies, research areas of high relevance in both countries. The project was planned and carried out by these EPU network members: Mongolian University of Science and Technology, the University of Applied Sciences FH St. Poelten and the University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Wien as coordinating partner.

The objectives of the project, Dynamic Building Simulation With TRNSYS in Mongolia, were to carry out a building simulation for the refurbishment of a building of MUST in Ulaanbaatar, to analyze the framework conditions, and to develop conclusions and recommendations for increasing energy efficiency and renewable energy use in the building stock in Ulaanbaatar. The building simulation contains a description of the selected building, the Thermal Technical and Industrial Ecology Institute at MUST, the collected data, defined scenarios for technical analysis with simulation methods and economic analysis, the documentation of the simulations and the analysis of results.

In a first stage, representatives from the UAS FH St. Poelten, Roman Windl (Institute Industrial Simulation) and the UAS FH Technikum Wien, Susanne Geissler, Roland Sterrer, (Institute Renewable Energies) spent one week in Ulaanaatar in August 2010 for the joint seminar on Energy Efficiency Improvement of Consumers at the Power Engineering School, MUST, and to conduct necessary fieldwork to analyze framework conditions, the building and the energy sectors, as well as socio-economic aspects, such as cost of energy efficiency measures and average income.

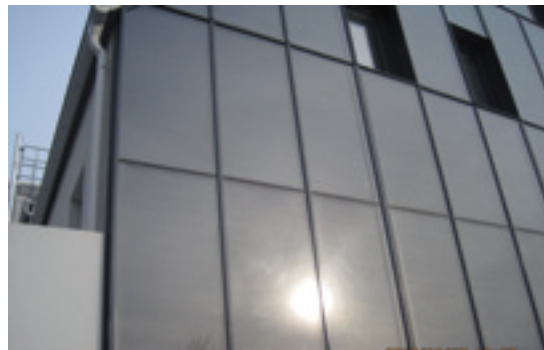
Partners: Mongolian University of Science and Technology, University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Vienna, University of Applied Sciences St. Poelten

Venue: Mongolian University of Science and Technology, University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Vienna

Date: August, November, December 2010

Contact: FH-Prof. Dr. Martin Kimme, Technikum Wien

The second stage included a one month visit of two research students from the Power Engineering School, MUST, Ochirbat Batjargal and Purevsuren Enkhdavaa in Austria. During the first part of their stay in November and December 2010, the students and the project were integrated in the Master's Study Programme "Renewable Urban Energy Systems" of the University of Applied Sciences FH Technikum Wien and the program module "Dynamic Systems" at the UAS FH St. Poelten. During the last week of the project, team members were joined by three MUST professors, Chimed Mangaljav, Khaltar Enkhjargal, and Galsan Bekhbat and



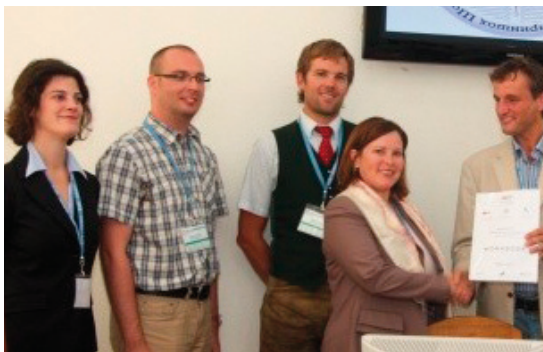
the results of the Dynamic Building Simulation were presented in the presence of representatives of the Embassy of Mongolia in Austria. The results are published in a final report (Ebinger et. al, Building simulation for refurbishment of a MUST University building in Ulaanbaatar - Analysis of framework conditions and development of recommendations for increasing energy efficiency and renewable energy use in the building stock, Vienna 2011) and will also be presented by the UAS FH Technikum Wien at the World Sustainable Building Conference in Helsinki in October 2011.

In addition to the research project itself, lectures and site visits were organized for the Mongolian guests, including lectures by Werner Weiss, Managing Director, Department for Solar Thermal Components and Systems of the AEE – Institute for Sustainable Technologies, a visit to Franz Zotloeterer's innovative gravitation water vortex power plant (GWVPP), the Austrian Institute of Technology, and a selection of sustainable buildings in and around Vienna.

And, naturally, time was spent to repay the representatives of MUST for their hospitality and to confirm the strong commitment to continue and expand the successful cooperation between the partner institutions of Austria and Mongolia.



enerGIS'10 – Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for Energy Issues in Central Asia



Train the Trainer Workshop

Partner: Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinsho Shotemur in Dushanbe

Venue: Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinsho Shotemur in Dushanbe

Date: September 20–24, 2010

Program Chair and Workshop Organisation:
Gilbert Ahamer (OEAW GIScience),
Rainer Pruessler & Clemens Strauss (TU Graz)



As continuation of EPU-funded community building in Central Asia after openSolarCA'09, in the tradition of the GISCA conference series and under the umbrella of ACA*GIScience, our workshop team organised an academic “Staff Development Workshop” for our partners. We invited Central Asian staff from eleven EPU partner universities in Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan.

In the premises of the Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinsho Shotemur (TAU) in Dushanbe, the forty participants were welcomed by the Austrian Ambassador to Central Asia, Dr. Ursula Fahringer and the organisers and received a printed workbook as basis for the (a) theoretical lectures and (b) practical hands-on sessions (available online at the workshop site <http://www.energis.tugraz.at>).

During the five full workshop days, participants applied Geographic Information Systems (GIS) methods to evaluating potentials of alternative energy sources such as solar, hydro and wind. The interdisciplinary team of experts from five Austrian EPU partner institutions (Institute for GIScience at the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Graz University of Technology, Salzburg University, Carinthia University of Applied Sciences) devoted one day for each step in the “GIS sequence of productivity”:





(1) motivation, (2) data acquisition, (3) data organization, (4) data analysis, and (5) data presentation.

(a) Theoretical lectures: Global climate change motivates Central Asian states to use their own energy resources. Cold but clear winters encourage use of solar-thermal power and high but sparsely populated mountain valleys suggest constructing hydro power plants. Low-energy and passive houses reduce energy demand and complement these ready-to-use sustainable strategies. Courses in theory on GIS & GPS prepared the excursions into Dushanbe's impressive botanical gardens.

(b) Practical sessions started out with the hands-on collection of data by handheld GPS, their spatial analysis in team work and ended up with the generation of maps assessing the energy potential of the Central Asian home regions of the attendants. The two dozen participants (among whom vice rectors and deans, visibly increased their skills of managing GIS tools such as ArcGIS and open GIS products.

Quality control of scientific achievements: (i) admission to the workshop required preliminary online self-

study and severe online exams, (ii) our anonymous peer-review system secured the academic quality of the 15 submitted Austrian and Central Asian presentations, (iii) certificates were handed out only after having mastered the practical workshop tasks, supported by the distributed workbook.

Such severe quality stance triggered positive feedback at enerGIS'10. In line with the motto for these workshops "real science for real people", the workshop results included further strengthening of the existing Central Asian network including Kyrgyz, Tajik, Uzbek and Kazakh universities: Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinsho Shotemur, Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transport and Architecture, Kyrgyz National Agrarian University, Kyrgyz State Technical University, Kyrgyz-Russian Slavic University, Osh Technological University, Naryn State University named after S. Naamatov, Tashkent Institute of Irrigation and Melioration, Kazakh National University named after Al Faraby, Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia, University of Central Asia.

According to ACA*GIScience's mission, Central Asian staff achieved a strong multiplier effect through working in their own institutions, performing their own lectures, participating in the international UNIGIS curriculum and collaborating with GIScience in future EU TEMPUS projects. – As a milestone for the future, all participants discussed, authored and signed the "Dushanbe Declaration" for a successful and sustainable future development of renewable energy issues and GIS in Central Asia.

The enerGIS'10 organising team:

Gilbert Ahamer, Rainer Prueller & Clemens Strauss

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ANMMEC - Austrian–Nepali Mutual Medical Education Cooperation



Partner: Kathmandu University, School of Medical Sciences, Prof. Ram Shrestha, Nepal

Venues: Dhulikhel Hospital, Department of Pharmacology, Kathmandu University, School of Medical Sciences, Nepal, Medical University of Graz, Department of Pediatrics and Adolescence Medicine, Division of Neonatology

Date: 2010



This cooperation was initiated by Dr. Lutz Stroedter, a doctor of the University Hospital of the Medical University of Graz. After visiting Dhulikhel Hospital as a guest doctor and being host for a guest doctor from Nepal in exchange, it was his goal to establish this cooperation for a longterm prospect at the Medical University of Graz.

After the signing of the Letter of Agreement in late fall 2009 the Medical University of Graz also applied for funding within the Eurasia Pacific Uninet.

In February 2010 Dr. Stroedter invited interested colleagues and students to an informational event to present Kathmandu University and its teaching hospital in Dhulikhel.

Already during this event Univ.-Prof. Dr. Ulrike Holzer, Institute for Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology, expressed her interest to contribute actively to this cooperation. Consequently the contact between her and her counterpart in Dhulikhel was established and her visit was scheduled for September 12th – October 9th 2010. During her stay, new areas of interest for support from the Medical University of Graz were identified. Thus, the planning of the next research visit of a professor is already in the planning phase.



In the year 2010 also an incoming mobility took place. Dr. Srijana Dongol Singh visited the Department of Pediatrics and Adolescence Medicine, Division of Ne-



onatology in July. She held lectures and presented a research project in front of a broad audience of students and professionals of the Medical University of Graz. Right after this visit, two students from Graz went to Dhulikhel for a clinical elective, supported by funds of the Medical University of Graz, and to start data collection for a research project in the area of fetal growth charts, which was pointed out as an area of interest by Univ.-Prof. Dr. Erich Sorantin during his research visit in fall 2009. One of these students visited Dhulikhel hospital again in February 2011 to continue data collection for her diploma thesis.

To summarize the past year in the cooperation between the Medical University of Graz and Dhulikhel Hospital, Kathmandu University of Medical Sciences, it can be said that the variety of exchanges helped to root the partnership between professionals, staff and students in Graz and Dhulikhel deeply and it can be said without a doubt, that a continuation of collaboration between these two institutions of higher learning in 2011 is highly desirable and bound to be at least as successful as the previous year.

International Conference »Integrated Water Resource Management (InWaRM)« and International »Train the Trainer Workshop«



Partners: Eurasia-Pacific Uninet; University of Salzburg; University of Madras, Chennai, India; The Embassy of Austria, New Delhi

Venues: University of Madras, Chennai, India; The Austrian Embassy, New Delhi, India

Date: February 22–27, 2010



A week long international event was organised at 2 locations in India from 22nd to 27th February 2010. The event had three types of activities i.e. a GIScience Train-the-Trainer Workshop, a Problem-Analysis Seminar and a Concluding Brain-Storming Meeting. A total number of 31 delegates participated in the event out of which 13 were Austrian, two from Bhutan, six from India and ten from Nepal. Besides, several students of University of Madras attended part in the workshop and seminar.

The Train-the-Trainer Workshop was organised on 22nd and 23rd February at the Department of Geography, University of Madras, Chennai. The main aim of the workshop was to expose the participants to the applications of Geographical Information Science in various aspects of Water Resource Management and give 'hands-on' practical training in using commercial GIS Software for this purpose. The workshop was conducted by the three experts from three Austrian Universities i.e. University of Salzburg, University of Innsbruck and University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences (BOKU), Vienna. The participants were delivered theoretical lectures presenting overall situation of the water resources in the world and examples from Austria, India, Nepal and Bhutan were discussed in details. The lectures also included discussion about the probable risks that may affect the water resources due to the climate change. The practical exercises included use of GIScience methods and tools for understanding and analysing spatial as well as non-spatial data.



The Problem-Analysis Seminar was also organised in Chennai on 24th and 25th February. The core purpose of the seminar was to present the water related problems in the mountainous regions in general and regional water problems in Austria, Bhutan, India and Nepal. The researchers from Austrian universities presented the current and probable future scenarios in the Alps. The participants from other countries shared observations about various problems related not only the water resources but also several management related difficulties at the social and governmental levels.

This event was organised in the form of a brain-storming meeting at the Embassy of Austria in New Delhi, India on 27th February. The meeting was inaugurated by the Honourable Ambassador Dr. Ferdinand Maultaschl, which was attended by several eminent delegates from government and non-governmental organisations. The outcomes of the previous two activities conducted in Chennai were presented before the delegates for initiating a discussion on the opportunities and prospects of establishing joint research activities among the 4 participant countries.

All the participants proposed a range of ideas which brought up several new topics requiring international collaboration. The meeting concluded with a consensus that the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet will take lead in enhancing the cooperation among the participant institutions and agencies.



Nako – Summer Campaign 2010

Main scope of the 2010 summer campaign in Nako was the final documentation and evaluation of the long-term research and conservation activities that had been undertaken to preserve the significant Tibetan-Buddhist temple complex in Nako Village. Since 2004, an interdisciplinary team of Austrian and Indian conservators has been cooperating in the scientific research, development and implementation of preservation strategies for Nako. The long-term cooperation started with the master plan of Ernst Bacher and Gabriela Krist, head of the Institute of Conservation at the University of Applied Arts in Vienna, and was carried on until the preservation of the two main temple buildings of the complex could be concluded in 2009. Priority was put on the stabilization of wall paintings and plasters, with minimal intervention and by using locally available materials. This resulted in an active cooperation with local craftsmen and the exchange of knowledge and skills.

With the evaluation it could be proved that the aim of the campaigns from 2004 to 2009 had been successfully achieved: the two main temples of the complex showed a safe and stabilized condition. The main concern of the overall preservation concept was to implement only a minimum of sustainable conservation treatments to the temple interiors, which had worked efficiently. Further, the Thangka project was brought to a conclusion by returning three Thangkas that had been studied, conserved and restored in Vienna during the last two years. The Nako community and the lamas highly ap-

Partners: National Museum Institute, New Delhi (NMI); National Research Laboratory for Conservation of Cultural Property, Lucknow (NRLC); Nako Tsug Lakhang (Nako Buddhist Society); Nako Youth Club; Hangrang Organisation; University of Applied Arts Vienna, Institute of Conservation
Venues: Nako Village, Himachal Pradesh, India
Date: August 2010

preciated the preserved and returned Thangka objects. Another major concern of the 2010 summer campaign was to hold a general meeting with representatives of the Nako village and the lama community. The Austrian team of four conservation experts and the villagers discussed future projects planned for the preservation of the two minor but severely endangered temples of the ensemble. In summer 2010, a summer of natural disasters in the Western Himalayan region, it became all too evident that research, preservation and maintenance was needed in order to save the Nako temple complex – a significant cultural heritage not only for the village and lama community, but also for the increasing number of tourists. The conservation concept developed and carried out from 2004 to 2009 proved to be a successful way of maintaining the Nako temple complex, and possibly for the future preservation of the two temples yet to be restored.



Indian Networking in Education – Summer 2010

Partner: New Delhi, National Museum Institute
Venue: New Delhi, National Museum Institute,
NMI
Date: Summer 2010



Main scope of the networking activities together with the National Museum Institute New Delhi was the discussion and planning of future training projects that should continue the successful workshop on textile collection care in 2009. The Institute of Conservation had been repeatedly asked to coordinate training courses for professionals in India addressing further aspects in the field of cultural heritage preservation.

Meeting at the National Museum Institute, New Delhi

The 2009 conference, “Research, Conservation and Management of Cultural Heritage. 60 Years of Austrian Indian Cooperation”, and the parallel running training workshop for Indian experts dealing with textile collections had opened a wide variety of ideas for further collaboration between India and Austria in the field of conservation. Both events, with support of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, were realized through the committed co-

operation between the Institute of Conservation at the University of Applied Arts Vienna and the National Museum Institute and its active representative, Kamal Jain. In order to continue this cooperation, the 2010 summer networking activities were used for a meeting with Kamal Jain. The necessary steps for the realisation of future workshops were to be discussed. Because the 2009 events in New Delhi had brought together Indian and Austrian experts dealing with cultural heritage in India, this successful effort should be carried on with a follow-up in the near future. Kamal Jain stated the need for training in architectural preservation and maintenance in India, and therefore the focus of the workshop planned in 2011 should be put on this specific topic. As Kamal Jain was about to leave the National Museum Institute New Delhi for the National Research Laboratory for Conservation of Cultural Property in Lucknow, further plans were foreseen to be discussed in February 2011 together with the new representative. M.V. Nair, a long-term project partner of the Institute of Conservation as well, would take over the position of Kamal Jain in New Delhi – with him, the discussion should be continued in detail before the coordination of the planned 2011 workshop could be started. In addition to the discussion about future workshops and the topic of the 2011 training course, the Austrian team could hand over the post-prints of the 2009 conference that were published in summer 2010 by Böhlau-Verlag.

Outlook

Future activities like training courses and workshops need detailed planning with the new representative of the National Museum Institute New Delhi, M.V. Nair. The meetings and discussions are foreseen to take place in February 2011 in the National Museum Institute New Delhi focussing on the workshop planned next in summer 2011.

Constitutional Pluralism: New Challenges for Constitutional Theory

3rd Asian–European Dialogue on Comparative Constitutional Law

The 3rd Asian-European Dialogue on Comparative Constitutional Law focused on new challenges for constitutional theory by constitutional pluralism. These challenges were analyzed in six sessions, containing in total 22 presentations by academics from seven European and Asian countries. Being part of the Dr. Durga Das Basu Centenary Celebrations at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), the conference attracted high-ranking practitioners from Indian judiciary too.

The conference was opened by welcoming addresses by Prof. Dr. M.P. Singh, Vice Chancellor of the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, and the Honorable Justice Chittatosh Mookerjee, former Chief Justice of Calcutta Bombay High Courts. Dr. Konrad Lachmayer from the Institute of Constitutional and Administrative Law at the University of Vienna gave an introduction to the background of constitutional pluralism and the methodology of constitutional comparison.

The first session focused on the specifics of constitutional pluralism being a sub-phenomenon of legal pluralism. Prof. Dr. Sudhir Krishnaswamy from the WBNUJS asked whether there was a necessary connection between legal pluralism and constitutional pluralism. Ass.-Prof. Pritam Baruah from the WBNUJS, who currently does research as a Commonwealth Scholar at the University College of London together with Nicholas Martin Rouleau, a practicing constitutional lawyer and co-founder of the Treehouse group, a forum for intercultural dialogues based in Toronto, scrutinized the role of legal and constitutional pluralism as procedures to resolve value conflicts. Prof. Georg Lienbacher from the Vienna University of Economics approached the phenomenon of constitutional pluralism from a federalist perspective taking examples from the Austrian federalist structure.

This bridged to the second session in which country specific approaches to constitutional pluralism were

Partners: West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences

Venues: West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences

Date: 11/12 November 2010, Kolkata, India

presented. Prof. Quianfan Zhang from the Peking University under the title of “A Constitution without Constitutionalism?” explored the paths of constitutional developments in China, taking into account recent judgments of the Chinese Supreme Court. It was followed by Prof. Koji Tonami from the Waseda University, Tokyo, who explained and analyzed the historical development of Japanese constitutionalism since the Meiji constitution from 1868 to present. Prof. Guobin Zhu from the City University of Hong Kong again focused on China and analyzed the “Unity in Diversity” as a constitutional principle underlying the composite state of China. As a final contribution to the country specific analysis, Prof. Ishwara Bhat, University of Mysore, India, gave a comparative reflection on the Indian and Japanese experiences. This paper being titled as “Constitutions within a Constitution as a Response to Multicultural Reality” was presented by Moiz Tundawala from the WBNUJS, acting as a substitute.

The role of constitutions and constitutional pluralism for constructing constitutional identities and the questions of self determination and/or autonomy of ethnic groups were in the focus of the final session at the first conference day. Taking examples from India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, Prof. Kamala Sankaran, University of Delhi, examined how recognition of religious, ethnic, tribal and caste identities has been accommodated within countries of South Asia. In her analysis, she came to the conclusion that the resultant constitutional structures that blend federalism, consociationalism, and elite accommodation, also raise questions about



their long-term viability. Prof. Harihar Bhattacharyya from the University of Burdwan, India, analyzed the constitutional concept of citizenship in India, unifying a multiplicity of groups within a nation-state. The right of self-determination under the draft constitution of Nepal was scrutinized by Dr. Bipin Adhikari, who is the chairman of the Nepal Constitution Foundation. Finally, Ass.-Prof. Dr. Christina Binder from the University of Vienna asked whether autonomy is meant to accommodate cultural diversity, drawing on the examples of personal and territorial autonomies for indigenous peoples in different states.

Consequently, the second conference day started with a session on constitution and minority protection. Dr. Christoph Bezemek, Vienna University of Economics, compared theory and reality of the constitution's minority-protective function, which is supposed to withdraw fundamental provisions "from a random majority's volition" but instead might be (mis)used for

considering basically everything as constitutional for various reasons.

Prof. Tapan Mohanty, National Law University, Bhopal, in his paper on culture, constitution, and neo-colonialism, critically examined the educational scenario in India in general, and secondary education in particular, and then illustrated the problem of education among tribal communities in India. By referring to the legal situation of migrants in Western countries, Mag. Joachim Stern from the University of Vienna asked whether legal pluralism might be seen or (mis)used as a set to choose from a multitude of rules to follow. The session was concluded by the presentation of Prof. Thio Li-ann from the National University of Singapore, who focused on the constitutional accommodation of ethnic and religious minorities in plural democracies by taking examples from South East Asia.

The phenomenon of constitutional pluralism created by multi-level constitutionalism was the focal point of

the next session. Four of the five presentations focused on topics related to the European multi-level constitutionalism. Dr. Bedanna Bapuly from the Austrian Academy of Sciences introduced to the fundamental rights adjudication in the European Union, whereas Dr. Claudia Fuchs, Vienna University of Economics, analyzed the degree of convergence in the interpretation of human rights in the European human rights regime by comparing examples from the jurisprudence of the Austrian Constitutional Court and the European Court of Human Rights. Dr. Thomas Kröll, Vienna University of Economics, approached the question of co-operative legal protection in multi-level systems of law by taking examples from the Austrian Constitutional Court and the Court of Justice of the European Union. Assessor Stefan Schumann, University of Graz, focused on the process of European constitutionalism by analyzing the EU's approach to international law and vice versa. The paper of Prof. Cheryl Saunders, Melbourne Law School, presented by Prof. M.P. Singh, asked for implication of the internationalization of constitutional law for the comparative constitutional method.

In the final session on the topic of constitutional orders and judicial review, Prof. M.P. Singh, WBNUJS, analyzed the institutional response to constitutionalism and legal pluralism by judicial review. Surya Dhungel, PhD, from Nepal, discussed already explored ways to maintain a balance between emerging new elements of constitutionalism in the form of restructuring of the state and the new system of governance with reformed judiciary in Nepal.

The fruitful exchange of experiences and perspectives during the two conference days were recapitulated by Prof. M.P. Singh, Hon'ble Justice Chattatosh Mookerjee, and Dr. Konrad Lachmayer. Dr. Saradindu Basu, son of Dr. Durga Das Basu, expressed his thanks to all the participants of the 3rd Asian-European Dialogue on Comparative Constitutional Law, which was part of the Dr. Durga Das Basu Centenary Celebrations at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS).

Quality Assurance of Herbal Medicinal Products (HMP)

from TCM and isolation of compounds with neuro-pharmacological activity from TCM drugs

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Venue: Department of Pharmacognosy, University of Vienna

Contact: Prof. Brigitte Kopp, Department of Pharmacognosy, University of Vienna



In this project selected products used as traditional Chinese medicines (TCM) were studied for their quality and bioactive compounds using state-of-the art analytical techniques and cell-based bioassays. The aim of the analyses was on the one hand to investigate the toxic compounds and the efficacy of traditional and modern methods for detoxification. On the other it was aimed to identify new active compounds and their mechanisms of action that could be further investigated as potential drug candidates for therapies.

For these aims the cooperation with the Chinese partners was very efficient and successful. The research performed from the beginning of the project (September 2008) until December 2010 resulted in four publications that were published in top 25% journals (IF 2.3-9.2) and further publications that are in preparation.

In the first part of the project the toxicity of TCM products from *Aconitum* sp. (Ranunculaceae) as well as the traditional processing methods ("pao zhi") for detoxification were studied. Traditional Chinese processing methods play an essential role a.o. in the detoxification of *Aconitum*. The compounds present in *Aconitum*, causing cardiac- and neurotoxicity, are the diester-diterpen-alkaloids (DDAs) which are decomposed into the less toxic monoesters by detoxification. Trading of unprocessed *Aconitum* is illegal. The most important "processed products" from *Aconitum* are Yanfuzi, Heishunpai and Baifupai. Modern process-

ing methods such as steaming under high pressure were developed in China as a reproducible method. The content of toxic alkaloids was determined in marketed TCM drugs of *Aconitum* by high performance liquid chromatography. Thereby, some of the marketed TCM drugs were found to contain a very high value of toxic alkaloids (see Singhuber et al., 2009).

In the second part of the project toad venom, referred to as Chansu in China, was studied which is used as medicine. Chansu is used to treat cardiac diseases, ulcers, pains and cancer. The chemical composition of toad venom of *B. melanostictus* was investigated by LC-DAD-MSn und LC-SPE-NMR. New Bufadienolid-sulfates were identified (Gao et al, 2010a). Analyses showed that the chemical composition of toad venoms from different regions of China differed significantly. In total 43 substances were identified from the five different compound classes, namely indol-alkaloids, suberyl-esters or suberyl-arginin-esters, free bufadienolides, bufadienolide-sulfate and bufotoxine. The total content of cinobufagenin and resibufogenin, described in the Chinese Pharmacopoeia as an important value for quality and toxicity, varied highly with 0.3%-11% in products of toad venom which are marketed in China. Low values of resibufogenin were detected in a few products, cinobufagenin lacked. In most of the products the content of toxic substances was exceeding

allowed contents (Gao et al., 2010b). The fruitful collaboration with Dr. Gao was completed with a review entitled 'Bufadienolides and their antitumor activity'. The publication summarizes both new bufadienolides and those obtained from new sources, together with data regarding the antitumor activity of bufadienolides (Gao et al, 2011).

In the third part of the project the TCM drugs *Arisaema amurense*, *Pinellia ternata* and *Albizia julibrissin* were studied for bioactive compounds. *A. amurense* and *P. ternata* Breit (Araceae) are used traditionally in China to treat several ailments such as vertigo, strokes, epilepsy, convulsions, boils and sores. Four new cerebrosides along with six known cerebrosides were isolated and characterized from *A. amurense* and *P. ternata* (Araceae). The compounds and their metabolite 4,8-sphingadienine were screened for cytotoxicity against cells of six different cancer and non-cancerous cell-lines (Rozema et al, in preparation). Common fatty acids were found in *A. amurense*, *P. ternata* and *Albizia julibrissin* (Fabaceae). The fatty acids showed high PPAR α and γ activation in a PPAR-luciferase reporter gene assay. Beside these known PPAR ligands, hydroxylated fatty acids, derived from linoleic acid via the lipoxygenase pathway, were isolated from *A. julibrissin*. The influence of the hydroxyl-group(s) on binding to the ligand binding domain (LBD) of PPAR γ was studied in silico. A pharmacophore model was generated based on available complexes of hydroxylated FAs with the PPAR γ LBD. Thereby, part of the isolated trihydroxylated fatty acids were predicted to bind to the PPAR γ LBD.

Further investigations on active compounds in TCM drugs (a.o. *Cnidium monnieri* L., *Juncus effusus* L. und *Atractylodes macrocephala* Koidz.) are in progress, which so far revealed new insights in active compounds and working mechanisms (publications in preparation).

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D2_Higher Education Fairs & Exhibitions

Participation in Education Fairs

In the year 2010, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet attended two education fairs: The European Higher Education Fair (EHEF) Hong Kong and the Beijing International Education Expo (BIEE).

At both fairs, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet represented Austria and all its higher education institutions for the third time, thereby acting as the “national representation” in place of the OeAD – the Austrian Agency for International Mobility and Cooperation in Education, Science and Research. The OeAD is the institution primarily commissioned with presenting Austria abroad as an attractive location for studying and research.

The EHEF Hong Kong 2010 was held on March 13–14 at Hong Kong Central Library. This education fair is organised annually under the auspices of the European Commission Office in Hong Kong to strengthen the academic links between Hong Kong and European higher education institutions. In its tenth year in 2010, the fair has established well itself in Hong Kong as a good occasion for visitors to inform themselves about higher education opportunities in Europe.

The fair gained the interest of about 5,300 visitors and attracted 53 academic exhibitors from 13 European countries. Among them were single European universities and universities of applied sciences as well as organisations supporting the international exchange of students and scholars such as the DAAD, the British Council, and Campus France. Poland and Lithuania were represented the first time. In addition to all the study programs offered in the native language of the respective European country, there was a significant number of English-speaking degree programs offered throughout Europe on prominent display at the fair. Other topics of interest were admission requirements, student life in Europe, and the overall benefit of getting a degree in Europe.

Like in the previous two years, with the dedicated support of the Austrian Consulate General in Hong Kong before and during the fair, the Austrian exhibition stand operated under the names of both, Eurasia-Pacific Uni-

Venue 1: European Higher Education Fair (EHEF) Hong Kong

Date: March 13-14, 2010

Venue 2: Beijing International Education Exhibition (BIEE) Beijing

Date: June 18-20, 2010





net and OeAD. Approximately 500 fair visitors inquired about study and degree programs, research opportunities and funding possibilities in Austria. Most interest was shown in bachelor and master study programs in the field of business and management, followed by tourism, music, languages and literature. 13 Austrian universities and universities of applied sciences provided their own promotion materials next to the comprehensive booklets and fair materials of the OeAD.

The BIEE – Beijing International Education Expo 2010 – took place on June 18–20 at the China International Exhibition Center in Beijing. The BIEE is one of the biggest education fairs in China and provides excellent opportunities for promoting academic cooperation with China, and for recruiting students from China. It is officially approved by the Chinese Ministry of Education and hosted by the Beijing Municipal Education Commission.

Having started in 2004, the BIEE 2010 was the seventh year of the fair. It enjoyed a similar high level of prestige as in the previous year, attracting 460 exhibitors from 25 countries and approximately 60,000 visitors during its three-day events in June. The Expo consisted of the international education exhibition, seminars, forums and other cultural activities. Austria presented itself in a combined booth shared by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet



and the Austrian Embassy in China. Like in the previous two years of participation, a core theme was the “Austrian–Chinese Music University”, which had been established in Beijing in 2007. Approximately 700 visitors informed themselves with leaflets or inquired about Austrian study opportunities, the majority about bachelor programs, fewer about master programs. The president of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Prof. Brigitte Winkelner, was invited again as a guest of honor to the BIEE 2010. The exhibition enabled numerous talks with education experts, especially a conversation with the director of the Beijing Municipal Education Commission, Mr. Liu Limin, about the Beijing-related projects of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

At both fairs, the publications of the OeAD, especially the brochure “Study in Austria” and the booklet “Multiple Choice – Higher Education in Austria”, provided not only specific information about study and research opportunities in Austria, but also made visitors to the fair generally aware of Austria as an interesting location for higher education. Promotion materials from universities and universities of applied sciences – especially in English – that dealt with the university as a whole and with individual study programs, proved to be a useful complements to the exhibits, especially in cases where specific inquiries were made.

E_Scholarships

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Scholarships for Member Institutions

in China, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, People's Democratic Republic of Korea, Republic of Korea, Nepal, Bhutan and India

The Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Scholarship Program, initiated by the Austrian Council for Research and Technology Development by special request of the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, was launched in the year 2003.

Targets:

- to promote and financially support scientific projects carried out between partner institutions by highly qualified scientists
- to enhance short-term teaching at member universities and research institutions in the target countries
- to enhance the scientists' ability to compete in the international scientific community by means of study and research visits to partner institutions in the target countries
- to promote industry and economy-related science and research
- to create closer ties to decision making institutions in the target countries by establishing contacts between Austrian institutions of higher education and Austrian companies and universities on the one hand, and companies in partner countries, on the other
- to encourage Austrian networking with companies in all the target countries

Eligible fields of study/research:

- Technical Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- Medicine
- Agricultural Science
- Environmental Studies
- Economic Sciences (including Tourism Research)
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Arts and Music

Programs

- research scholarships in Austria for Ph.D. students: China, Republic of Korea, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Bhutan, Nepal, India
- research scholarships in Austria for Post-Docs: China, Republic of Korea, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Bhutan, Nepal, India
- On-Place scholarships: to strengthen educational and scientific co-operation: China, Mongolia, Kyrgyzstan
- outgoing scholarships: short term research and teaching activities for Austrian scientists at member institutions in the target countries
- incoming scholarships: short term research and teaching activities in Austria for scientists from the target countries

Scholarships for students and Post-Docs

On-Place scholarships for China: in 2005, the first On-Place scholarships were awarded. This program has been established especially for students of poverty-stricken families from the south-western, north-western and western regions. The value of the scholarship is decided according to family income and fixed costs of living and tuition.

- On-Place scholarships for Mongolia: max. Euro 1,500 per person per year including tuition, books, scientific research, accommodation, insurance, living costs in Mongolia.
- PhD scholarships: max. Euro 940 per person per month: The scholarship-holder has to bear all costs such as air-ticket, accommodation, insurance and living costs in Austria.
- Post-Doc scholarships: max. Euro 1,040 per person per month: The scholarship-holder has to bear all costs as air-ticket, accommodation, insurance and living costs in Austria.

Requirements for PhD and Post Doc Applicants:

Ph.D. students

- Master degree
- admitted as a Ph.D. student at a member Institution of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet
- high scientific and / or artistic quality on an international level
- very good command of written and spoken English and/or German
- Recommendation letter by the respective department at the home institution
- statement of acceptance by an academic supervisor of an Austrian member institution to act as advisor and host

Post-Docs

- Ph.D. degree
- academic position at a member institution of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet
- high scientific and / or artistic quality on an international level
- very good command of written and spoken English and/or German
- Recommendation letter by the respective department at the home institution
- statement of acceptance by an academic supervisor of an Austrian member institution to act as advisor and host

There is no age limit for PhD and Post Doc applicants!

Selection of Candidates

The universities are asked to pre-select and nominate the best qualified Ph.D. and Post-Doc candidates. Thereupon, the complete application files have to be forwarded to the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Office in Austria. The final selection of Ph.D. and Post-Doc scholarship-holders will be made by Austrian scientists and EPU coordinators and scientists.

Applications

are to be submitted via the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet contact person of the home institution to:
President Univ. Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner
 Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Kaigasse 28, 5020 Salzburg
 E-mail: brigitte.winklehner@sbg.ac.at

Administration of the scholarship

All administrative procedures regarding the scholarship are coordinated through the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH).

This includes the following:

- visa concerns
- monthly payment of the scholarship
- accommodation (upon request of scholarship-holder)
- health insurance

Tuition Fees

In the course of their studies the scholarship-holders don't have to pay tuition fees at the hosting institution in Austria.

China – Ph.D. Scholarships 2010

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
1	YANG Li-hua (F)	Central South Forestry University	Macroeconomics	International Aid and Cooperation - Perspectives from both China and EU	Joachim Becker	University of Economics and Business Vienna	6	5640
2	XU Tao (M)	Nankai University	Philosophy	On Kant's Philosophy of state	Arno Böhler	University of Vienna	9	8460
3	QIAN Hong (F)	University of Macau	Translation	Investigating Terminology Translation - A Study of the Trilingual Database of Public Notices Translation	Gerhard Budin	University of Vienna	8	7520
4	ZHANG Bingzi (F)	Capital Normal University	Ethnology	Environment Impacts on Birth Defects in China	Gui-Ying Cao	IIASA - International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis	9	8460
5	ZHAO Shanhua (F)	Capital Normal University	History	Public Donation in Classical Athens	Thomas Corsten	University of Vienna	3	2820
6	DAI Binbin (F)	The Chinese University of Hong Kong	Linguistics	The effects of Working Memory and Recasts on Learners' L2 Development in Task-based Interactions: Does Learners' Noticing of L2 Forms Matter?	Christiane Dalton-Puffer	University of Vienna	3	2820
7	BIAN Yuewei (M)	Tongji University in Shanghai	Civil Engineering	Long Term Behaviour of Rock	Robert Galler	University of Leoben	9	8460
8	XIA Hongping (M)	The University of Hong Kong, China	Medicine	Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC)	Bettina Grasl-Kraupp	Medical University Vienna	7	6580
9	SHEN Jie (F)	Fudan University	Medicine	Isolation and identification of bacterial endosymbionts of environmental acanthamoeba	Matthias Horn	University of Vienna	6	5640

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
10	ABULAJIANG Saidaming (M)	Xinjiang Medical University	Medicine	Mechanisms of Lung Damage in Cardiac Surgery	Werner Mohl	Medical University Vienna	6	5,640
11	XIAO Ming (M)	University of Hong Kong	Law	E-Participation in Governmental Policy-Making: A Window-Dressing or an Authentic Route towards Democracy - A Comparative Perspective between Austria and China	Michael Nentwich	Austrian Academy of Sciences	5	4,700
12	WANG Lixia (F)	Nankai University	Mathematics	Dynamics System and Differential Equations	Christian Schmeiser	University of Vienna	3	2,820
13	SUN Haixia (F)	Fudan University	International Business	Finance and Growth	Gerhard Sorger	University of Vienna	3.5	3,290
14	ABULIMITI Adilijiang (M)	Xinjiang Medical University	Veterinary Medicine	Study on the effect of Abnormal Savda Munziq on Abnormal Savda syndrome type hypertension animal model	Alois Strasser	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna	8.5	7,990
15	TAO Yang (M)	Nanjing Normal University	Geoinformatics	Research on the Fidelity of Digital Elevation Models	Josef Strobl	University of Salzburg	9	8,460
16	ZHANG Ning (F)	Beijing Foreign Studies University	Literature	Bertolt Brecht and Chinese Culture	Richard Trappl	University of Vienna	9	8,460
17	SONG Yan (F)	University of Macau	Medicine	Influence of Health Education on TB Patients' Drug Therapy Preference & Behavior Changing Based on DONTs Strategy in China	Thomas Wenzel	Medical University Vienna	5	4,700
							109	102,460

China – Post-Doc Scholarships 2010

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
1	BAI Shibiao (M)	Nanjing Normal University	Geology	Spatial landslide susceptibility, hazard and risk	Thomas Glade	University of Vienna	7	9,170
2	CAI Junjun (M)	Chinese Academy of Geology Science, CAGS, China	Geo-chemistry	Study on Petrological and Geochemical Characteristics and Genetic Model of Mantle-derived Xenoliths in Maguan, Southeast Yunnan, China	Theodoros Ntaflos	University of Vienna	1	1,040
3	DU Chao (M)	Jilin University in Changchun	Medicine	Advanced Neurosurgery skills and techniques of operation	Engelbert Knosp	Medical University of Vienna	7	9,170
4	GUO Zhirong (F)	Peking University Health Science Center	Pharmakology and Toxikology	Functional Biology of Multidrug Efflux Transporters	Peter Chiba	Medical University of Vienna	6	6,240
5	HOU Lin (M)	Northwest Agricultural University, Yangling	Ecology	Assessment of the effects of biomass harvesting on forest ecosystems	Klaus Katzensteiner	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences	6	6,240
6	HU Xueqin (F)	Institute of Information on Traditional Chinese Medicine	Computer Science	Research on Semantic Network of Traditional Chinese Medical Language System	Gerald Quirchmayer	University of Vienna	6	6,240
7	KONG Lu (F)	Capital Medical University	Biochemistry	Gene copy number variations (CNVs) in prostate cancer	Helmut Klockner	Medical University of Innsbruck	7	9,170
8	LI Heng (M)	Peking University	Medicine	Depression, Suizid und Psychotherapie, Forschungs-koooperation	Johannes Wancata	Medical University of Vienna	3	3,120
9	LI Ying (F)	Northwest University Xian	Strategical Management	The study on tourism marketing information system of tourist destination	Mike Peters	University of Innsbruck	7	9,170

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10	LI Zhe (M)	Jilin University in Changchun	Bio-technology	Innovative Approaches to 2D/3D Registration for Image-Guided Therapy	Wolfgang Werner Birkfellner	Medical University of Vienna	7	9,170
11	LIANG Wentian (M)	Northwest University Xian	Geology	Tectonic evolution of Qinling orogen, Central China	Kurt Stüwe	University of Graz	4	4,160
12	LIU Lifeng (M)	Capital Normal University	Physics	Growth of Perovskite Thin Films, Heterostructures and Investigation of their Electrical and Magnetic properties	Wolfgang Lang	University of Vienna	7	9,170
13	LU Junhai (M)	China Academy of Chinese Medical Science	Medicine	Identification and characterization of the human rhinovirus type-c receptor(s)	Dieter Blaas	Medical University of Vienna	3	3,120
14	QI Bin (M)	Jilin University in Changchun	Medicine	Advanced neurosurgery clinical techniques of brain operations	Engelbert Knosp	Medical University of Vienna	7	9,170
15	WANG Luyao (F)	Capital Normal University	Chemistry	Design, synthesis and activity evaluation of heterocyclic compounds	Christian Oliver Kappe	University of Graz	7	9,170
16	XIANG Wenhua (M)	Central South Forestry University	Ecology	Belowground niche separation and competition of tree species in subtropical secondary broad leaved forests, southern China	Andreas Richter	University of Vienna	5.5	7,205
17	ZHANG Haiping (F)	Capital Medical University	Medicine	Keratinocyte differentiation	Erwin Tschachler	Medical University of Vienna	6	7,860

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18	ZHANG Dongmei (F)	Beijing University of Chinese Medicine & Pharmacology	Medicine	Effect of Tanshinone-IIA on the VEGF signal transduction pathway	Yan Ma	Medical University of Vienna	3	3,120
19	ZHANG Hao (M)	Fudan University	Geology	Quantitative methods in exploring land use/cover change and its impacts on the environment: an integrated GIS/RS approach	Wolfgang Kainz	University of Vienna	4.5	5,895
20	ZHAO Yansong (F)	Beijing University of Chinese Medicine & Pharmacology	Medicine	Post-graduate education program of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)	Yan Ma	Medical University of Vienna	5	5,200
21	ZHONG Zhicheng (M)	Jilin University in Changchun	Physics	The technique of changed polymer matrix structure of PDLC	Romano A. Rupp	University of Vienna	7	9,170
22	ZHU Mei (F)	Jilin University in Changchun	Veterinary Medicine	Neurotrophic molecules secreted by human amniotic epithelial cells prevent the mitochondrial dysfunction in DA neurons induced by MPP+	Wolf-Dieter Rausch	University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna	4	4,160
							120	146,130

China – Prolonged Music Scholarships 2010

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
1	MENG Lei (F)	China Conservatory in Beijing	Piano	Advanced Piano Classes	Klaus Kaufmann	University Mozarteum Salzburg	4.5	4,230
							4.5	4,230

“ ... It is my pleasure to report that my dissertation has just won the prize of ‘2010 National Excellent Doctoral Dissertation of PR China...’ My dissertation is the only winner in the field of Instrumentation Science and Technology... I would like to give my thanks to you and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet for your long term support... With these funds, I had a chance to study for a relative long period in Austria and thus to be able to complete the dissertation leading to the prize... I would like to contribute to expand the interaction... between our two countries... ”

[Ass. Prof. Dr. Chunhuang Hu, Tianjin University]

China – On-Place Scholarships 2010

Northwest A&F University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
1	Yang Xiaofei (F)	Agronomy	2,000	215
2	Wang Yangjuan (F)	Plant Science and Technology	2,000	215
3	Wu Juan (F)	Plant Protection	2,000	215
4	Zhang Huan (F)	Horticulture	2,000	215
5	Liu Shuwei (F)	Horticulture	2,000	215
6	Duan Zhong (M)	Aquaculture	2,000	215
7	Chen Ruiting (F)	Animal Science	2,000	215
8	Zhang Jinya (F)	Veterinary Medicine	2,000	215
9	Liu Xiaolin (F)	Garden	2,000	215
10	Chu Fangfang (F)	Artistic Designing	2,000	215
11	Chang Yamin (F)	Forestry	2,000	215
12	Jin Dandan (F)	Resources and Environment Science	2,000	215
13	Bi Weiyang (F)	Environment Science	2,000	215
14	Gao Lanlan (F)	Agricultural Water Conservancy Engineering	2,000	215
15	Kou Baiying (F)	Hydrology and Water Resources Engineering	2,000	215
16	Yin Minhua (F)	Agricultural Water Conservancy Engineering	2,000	215
17	Liu Dongmei (F)	Electrical Engineering and Automation	2,000	215
18	Qu Na (F)	Industrial Design	2,000	215
19	Sun Xurui (F)	Electrification and Information Engineering	2,000	215
20	Hou Mingming (F)	Mechanical Designing, Manufacturing and Automation	2,000	215

Northwest A&F University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
21	Wang Pei (F)	Electrification and Information Engineering	2,000	215
22	Zhang Guofang (F)	Computer Science and Technology	2,000	215
23	Yang Li (F)	Software Engineering	2,000	215
24	Yu Shaoxuan (F)	Food Science and Safty	2,000	215
25	Hu Yunxia (F)	Food Science and Engineering	2,000	215
26	Feng Li (F)	Grape and Grape Wine Engineering	2,000	215
27	Lu Ou (F)	Bio-engineering	2,000	215
28	Xu Lina (F)	Bio-engineering	2,000	215
29	Wei Sumei (F)	Biological Science	2,000	215
30	Zhang Xumei (F)	Information and Computation Science	2,000	215
31	Liu Ying (F)	Insurance	2,000	215
32	Xi Min (F)	Marketing	2,000	215
33	Wang Limin (F)	Accountancy	2,000	215
34	Yang Yayun (F)	Agricultural Economics and Management	2,000	215
35	Chen Hong (F)	Legal Science	2,000	215
36	Xi Rui (F)	English	2,000	215
37	Zhang Yajuan (F)	Mechanism	2,000	215
38	Wei Rongrong (F)	Accounting	2,000	215
39	Wang Yuejing (F)	Management of Industry and Commerce	2,000	215
40	Lei Xuepei (F)	Animal Science	2,000	215
			80,000	8,600

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Northwest University				
Name		Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
1	Bai Jiaojiao (F)	Department of Urbanology and Resource Science	2,000	215
2	Chen Zhiqiang (M)	Department of Urbanology and Resource Science	2,000	215
3	Dong Huawen (M)	Department of Urbanology and Resource Science	2,000	215
4	Zhao Xia (F)	Department of Urbanology and Resource Science	2,000	215
5	Deng YongHui (M)	Department of Geology	2,000	215
6	Li Yu (F)	Department of Geology	2,000	215
7	Xie Weiqing (F)	Department of Geology	2,000	215
8	Dong Hui (F)	School of Public Administration	2,000	215
9	Guo Xin (F)	School of Public Administration	2,000	215
10	Li Yanan (F)	School of Public Administration	2,000	215
11	Ma Chengliang (M)	School of Chemical Engineering	2,000	215
12	Wang Zhiyao (M)	School of Chemical Engineering	2,000	215
13	Yang Xiaomei (F)	School of Chemical Engineering	2,000	215
14	Zhang Jingjing (F)	School of Chemical Engineering	2,000	215
15	Dong Zhen (F)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215
16	Fan Jinglan (F)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215
17	Gao Dongmei (F)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215
18	Liu Shaoqing (M)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215
19	Wang Gaohong (M)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215
20	YangJun (M)	Department of Chemistry	2,000	215

Northwest University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
21	Cao Men (F)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
22	Jia Fengbo (F)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
23	Kan Shukui (M)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
24	Li Chuan (M)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
25	Li Mei (F)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
26	Sun Bin (M)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
27	Yang Yong (M)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
28	Zeng Jianding (M)	School of Economics and Management	2,000	215
29	Feng Gang (M)	School of History	2,000	215
30	Fu Jingming (M)	School of Cultural Heritage	2,000	215
31	Li Yang (F)	School of Cultural Heritage	2,000	215
32	Wang Xinya (F)	School of Cultural Heritage	2,000	215
33	Ai Dao (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
34	Feng Dingyi (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
35	Ji Jieyang (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
36	Ji Liwei (M)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
37	Li Dan (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
38	Liu Kun (M)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
39	Sun Hao (M)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
40	Tang Meng (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215

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Northwest University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
41	Yu Fengxiang (F)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
42	Zhao Yan (M)	Department of Physics	2,000	215
43	Liu Chaoifei (M)	School of Journalism and Mass Communication	2,000	215
44	Li Guizhen (M)	School of Information Science and Technology	2,000	215
45	Wang Shouming (M)	School of Information Science and Technology	2,000	215
46	Liang Hongjia (M)	School of Art	2,000	215
47	Chen Jianmei (F)	School of Art	2,000	215
48	Xiao Chuantao (M)	School of Art	2,000	215
49	Zhao Nan (M)	School of Art	2,000	215
50	Qin Yan (F)	School of Applied Social Science	2,000	215
			100,000	10,750

Xinjiang Medical University (Undergraduates)				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
1	GULIMAYILA Turi (F)	Nursing	2,000	215
2	LIU Xiaobo (M)	Nursing	2,000	215
3	ZHNEG Weiguang (M)	Pharmacy	2,000	215
4	MEIHERINISA Abudukeremu (F)	Pharmacy	2,000	215
5	NUERMAIMAITI Kasimu	Medical Image	2,000	215
6	LI Jingjing (F)	Medical Image	2,000	215

Xinjiang Medical University (Undergraduates)				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
7	SHADAITIGULI Yimiti(F)	Clinical Medicine	2,000	215
8	ZHANG Chao (M)	Clinical Medicine	2,000	215
9	ZHANG Hao (M)	Chinese and Western Medicine	2,000	215
10	DI Wenjing (F)	Chinese Pharmacology	2,000	215
11	HU Ruixian (F)	Acupuncture	2,000	215
12	ABUDUREHEMAN Ahai (M)	Uyghur Medicine	2,000	215
13	PATIGULI Maimaiti(F)	Uyghur Medicine	2,000	215
14	GULIXIAN Abulizi (F)	Stomatology	2,000	215
15	DAI Wenhua (M)	Stomatology	2,000	215
16	AISIKER Aierken (M)	Forensic Medicine	2,000	215
17	JIANG Hai (M)	Forensic Medicine	2,000	215
18	QIU Jin (F)	Forensic Medicine	2,000	215
19	FENG Zhaoyang(M)	English	2,000	215
20	YEERBOLI Yejin (M)	English	2,000	215
21	MAIMAITI Abula (M)	English	2,000	215
22	MIYASAIER Xiukelaiti (F)	Preventive Medicine	2,000	215
23	YANG Xue (F)	Preventive Medicine	2,000	215
24	TANGPENG (M)	TCM	2,000	215
25	MUSA Erhemaiti (M)	Clinical Medicine	2,000	215
			50,000	5,375

Xinjiang Medical University (Graduate)				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
1	Aizimaiti Shali (M)	Epidemiology and statistics	2,000	215
2	Li shuangwu (M)	Occupational health and occupational medicine	2,000	215
3	Ding nan (F)	Pharmacy	2,000	215
4	Ablat Abliz (M)	Pharmacology	2,000	215
5	Li Yujiao (F)	Immunology	2,000	215
6	Gong Haiyan (F)	Pathogen Biology	2,000	215
7	Fan shuling (F)	Embryology	2,000	215
8	Zhang Bo (M)	Oncology	2,000	215
9	Chen Qingyong (M)	Otorhinolaryngology	2,000	215
10	Wu Chuanjia (F)	Neurology	2,000	215
11	Wang Peng (F)	Dermatology and Venereology	2,000	215
12	Chen Lu (F)	Traditional surgery	2,000	215
13	Wang Jipeng (M)	Diagnostics of Chinese Medicine	2,000	215
14	Ayjamal Tohti (F)	Traditional surgery	2,000	215
15	Lu Li (F)	Obstetrics and Gynecology	2,000	215
16	Tian Li (F)	Obstetrics and Gynecology	2,000	215
17	Ji Haiyong (M)	Surgery	2,000	215
18	Yasenjiang Mamat (M)	Surgery	2,000	215
19	Fang Jianjian (F)	In science	2,000	215
20	Mukaram Akbar (F)	In science	2,000	215

Xinjiang Medical University (Graduate)

	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
21	Chen Yanchun (F)	Geriatrics	2,000	215
22	Akbar Sulaiman (M)	Dermatology and Venereology	2,000	215
23	Wang Shangqian (M)	Oncology	2,000	215
24	Rahman Yimin (M)	Oncology	2,000	215
25	Li Yanxiang (M)	Pharmacology	2,000	215
			50,000	5,375

Shihezi University

	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
1	Qian Sheng (M)	College of Water Recourses and Architectural Engineering	2,000	215
2	Jia Shuixin (F)	College of Water Recourses and Architectural Engineering	2,000	215
3	Qi Haixia (F)	College of Political Science and Law	2,000	215
4	Piao Shuang (F)	College of Political Science and Law	2,000	215
5	Ji Caihong (F)	College of Political Science and Law	2,000	215
6	Liu Bing (M)	College of sports	2,000	215
7	Shao Kaixuan (F)	College of sports	2,000	215
8	Sun Yu (M)	Food Science and Engineering	2,000	215
9	Tao Ling (F)	Food Science and Engineering	2,000	215
10	Liu Ziwei (M)	College of Literature and Art	2,000	215
11	Zhou Xiang (F)	College of Literature and Art	2,000	215

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Shihezi University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
12	Wang Taosheng (M)	College of Literature and Art	2,000	215
13	Yan Ruili (F)	College of Literature and Art	2,000	215
14	Shen Ruyi (F)	Medical College	2,000	215
15	Yi Qihua (M)	Medical College	2,000	215
16	Zhu Jian (M)	Medical College	2,000	215
17	Ji Sha (F)	Medical College	2,000	215
18	Dong Wen (M)	Agricultural College	2,000	215
19	Wang Fanlong (M)	Agricultural College	2,000	215
20	Yu Bingfeng (F)	Agricultural College	2,000	215
21	Zhang Zhi (F)	Agricultural College	2,000	215
22	Liu Fang (F)	Chemistry and Chemical Engineering College	2,000	215
23	Zhang Huifang (F)	Chemistry and Chemical Engineering College	2,000	215
24	Zheng Changlan (F)	Chemistry and Chemical Engineering College	2,000	215
25	Zhang Gaocai (F)	Economic Trading Academy	2,000	215
26	Ao Xiaoli (F)	Economic Trading Academy	2,000	215
27	Waili Aili (M)	Economic Trading Academy	2,000	215
28	Zhang Juan (F)	Economic Trading Academy	2,000	215
29	Suo Duo (M)	Animal Science	2,000	215
30	Tong Li (F)	Animal Science	2,000	215
31	Gulihan Abuduremu (F)	Animal Science	2,000	215

Shihezi University				
	Name	Academic Discipline	Award in RMB	Award in EURO
32	Dong Lei (M)	College of Information Science and technology	2,000	215
33	Xu Ting (F)	College of Information Science and technology	2,000	215
34	Wen Fanghua (F)	Commercial College	2,000	215
35	Ma Baolin (M)	Commercial College	2,000	215
36	Liu Lin (M)	Commercial College	2,000	215
37	Song Shengchang (M)	Commercial College	2,000	215
38	Li Xiaolei (M)	Normal College	2,000	215
39	Zhang Yonglong (F)	Normal College	2,000	215
40	Luo Yuzhang (M)	Normal College	2,000	215
41	Zhu Haixin (M)	College of Life and Science	2,000	215
42	Li Ran (F)	College of Life and Science	2,000	215
43	Li Mengxuan (F)	Vocational and Technical College	2,000	215
44	Li Qiaoju (F)	Vocational and Technical College	2,000	215
45	Li Ying (M)	College of Pharmaceutical Science	2,000	215
46	Sun Fuzhou (M)	College of Pharmaceutical Science	2,000	215
47	Sun Kunkun (M)	Machinery and electrical Engineering College	2,000	215
48	Hunag Yajuan (F)	Machinery and electrical Engineering College	2,000	215
49	Ma Lingling (F)	Foreign Language College	2,000	215
50	Cui Wenqiang (M)	Foreign Language College	2,000	215
			100,000	10,750

Further On-Place Scholarships in China			
Name		Academic Discipline	Award in EURO
1	Yao Lu (F)	Austria-Chinese Music University, China Conservatory, Beijing	1,500
2	Song Aiping	Austrian-Chinese Center for Biomarker Discovery, Beijing Office	1,500
3	Zhang Yongmei	Sino-Austrian Collaborating Center of Chinese Medical Sciences	1,500
4	Li Xuan	Austrian Center	1,500
5	Lu Lijing	Austrian Center	1,500
6	Ai Qing	Tongji University - Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering	1,500
7	Hu Te	Fudan University - Sino-Austrian Centre for Media and Communication Management	1,500
8	Li Chen	China Austria Research and Innovation Center in Logistics, Information Flow, Supply Chain Management and Material Flow	1,500
9	Liu Guangzhe	Austria-China Research Centre for Environmental Protection	1,500
			13,500

“ I am a poor student who is supported by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet... I was astonished when I found out that you cared about us – a part of the world which is always neglected by the world... I want to give my best thanks and wishes... ”

Mongolia – Post-Doc & PhD Scholarships 2010

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
Mongolia – Post-Doc Scholarships 2010								
1	RAVJAA Baatar (M)	Mongolian Academy of Sciences	Geology	Developed methods of soil mineralogy	Franz Ottner	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences	3	3,120
2	SHIRCHIN-NAMJIL Nyamdelger (F)	Mongolian Academy of Sciences	Technical Chemistry	Spectroscopic investigations of the structure and composition of nanoparticle catalysts	Günther Rupprechter	Technical University Vienna	6	6,240
3	JAV Sarantuya (F)	Health Sciences University of Mongolia	Medicine	Effect of antidiabetic drugs from Mongolian traditional medicine on pancreatic cell function	Markus Ritter	Paracelsus Private Medical University	6	6,240
4	SHARAVJAMTS Oyuntuya (F)	Mon. State University of Agriculture	Geoinformatics	Agroclimate and Remote Sensing	Josef Strobl	University of Salzburg	3	3,120
5	TSERENJAV Erdenebat (F)	National University of Mongolia	Chemistry	Investigation of Cu-Li-Sn ternary systems phase equilibria and their thermochemical properties	Herbert Ipser	University of Vienna	6	6,240
6	TUGJJAV Oyunchimeg (F)	Mon. State University of Agriculture	Law	Some issues of land laws	Bernhard Raschauer	University of Vienna	3	3,120
							27	28,080
Mongolia – PhD Scholarships 2010								
1	Tserenbaltav Minjin (F)	National University of Mongolia	Law	Particularities and differences between the nomads and village justice systems in Austria-Hungary	Thomas Simon	Universität Wien	4	3,760
							4	3,760

Mongolia – On-Place Scholarships 2010

Name / University		Purpose od Scholarship	Award in EUR
Mongolian University of Science and Technology			
1	Sarantuya Tsedendamba (F)	EPU Office - National Coordinator	1,500
2	Radnaabazar Khishgee (F)	Research Scholarship	1,500
Health Sciences University of Mongolia			
1	Gombojav Davaa (F)	Research Scholarship	1,500
2	Enkhzaya Ganbold	Research Scholarship	1,000
3	Sugarmaa Myagmarjav	Research Scholarship	1,000
Mongolian University of Agriculture			
1	Vanaabaatar Batbaar (M)	Research Scholarship	1,500
Mongolian State University of Agriculture			
1	Batdorj Dordon	Research Scholarship	1,000
2	Lkhagvadorj Dorjburgedaa	Research Scholarship	1,000
National University of Mongolia			
1	Norovsambuu Tuvjargal	Research Scholarship	1,000
2	Davaa Lkhagvasuren	Field Study	1,000
Mongolian University of Science and Research			
1	Erdenetsetseg Dashdavaa	Research Scholarship	1,000
2	Narantogtokh Davaajav	Research Scholarship	1,000
Mongolian National University			
1	Tserendorj Munkhzul	Research Scholarship	1,000
			15,000

Scholarships for other EPU Member-Countries

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
BHUTAN – Ph.D. Scholarships 2010/9								
1	DRUKPA Karma (M)	Gaeddu College of Business Studies	Law	Coursework on transnational law	Michael Geistlinger	University of Salzburg	2	1,880
2	NORBU Tshewang (M)	Gaeddu College of Business Studies	Law	Coursework on Transnational Law	Michael Geistlinger	University of Salzburg	2	1,880
3	DORJI Sangay (M)	Sherubtse College	Geo-informatics	Research: Impact assessment of land use systems for rural development in Bhutan using GIS and remote sensing	Josef Strobl	University of Salzburg	12	11,280
KYRGYZSTAN – Ph.D. Scholarships 2010								
1	DJENALIEV Akjol (M)	Kyrgyz State University of Construction, Transportation and Architecture	Geo-informatics	GIS for seismic analysis and risk assessment for Kyrgyzstan	Josef Strobl	University of Salzburg	6	5,640
2	MUSURALIEV Kanaat (M)	Kyrgyz Agrarian University	Forestry	Dendroindication (ecological) characteristics of Spruce (Picea Shrenkiana) in Central and West Tian-Shan of Kyrgyzstan	Michael Grabner	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences	6	5,640
MONGOLIA – Ph.D. Scholarships 2010								
1	TSEREN-BALTAV Minjin (F)	National University of Mongolia	Law	Unterschiede und Besonderheiten zwischen den Nomaden und Siedlungssrechts Systemen Österreich-Ungarn	Thomas Simon	University of Vienna	4	3,760

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
KYRGYSTAN – Post-doc Scholarships 2010								
1	BEKBOEVA Roza (F)	Kyrgyz Agrarian University	Ecology	Renewable energy sources use	Hans-Peter Nachtnebel	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences	3	3,120
NORTH KOREA (DPR) – Post-doc Scholarships 2010								
1	KANG Hyon Chol (M)	Kim Il Sung University	Physics	Study on Noise Control and Psychoacoustics	Gerhard Krexner	University of Vienna	5	5,200
2	KANG Sung Chol (M)	Kim Chaek Technical University, P'yongyang (Nordkorea)	Physics	The study on Manufacture of composite material	Gerhard Krexner	University of Vienna	5	5,200
3	KIM Jin Myong (M)	Kim Il Sung University	Applied Science	Study of Evolution - Type Equations by Functional and Harmonic Analysis	Anton Arnold	Technical University Vienna	5	5,200
4	SONG Hak Jin (M)	Kim Chaek Technical University, P'yongyang (Nordkorea)	Materials Science	Damage mechanics considerations for life assessment and extension of high temperature components	Hans-Peter Degischer	Technical University Vienna	5	5,200

	Name	University	Academic Discipline	Research Project	Supervisor	Member Institution in Austria	Award in Months	Award in Euro
RUSSIA – Post-doc Scholarships 2010								
1	BAYKALOV Nikolay (M)	Buryat State University	Social Anthropology	Shrinking cities and deindustrializing zones: working biographies in a transition period (on materials of Austria and Russia)	Simone Hain	Technical University Graz	3	3,120
2	DAMDINOV Bair (M)	Buryat State University	Physics	Shear properties of nanoparticles suspensions	Wilfried Schranz	University of Vienna	1	1,040
3	IVANOVA Oxana (F)	Buryat State University	Geography	Technique of Environment Impact Assessment of mining industry on Geoecosystems Non-Alpine Regions of Austria: comparative analysis	Cyrus Samimi	University of Vienna	3	3,120
4	MANTATOV Vladimir (M)	Buryat State University	Medicine	Molecular-biological bases of pathogenesis of chronic prostatitis	Georg Bartsch	Medical University Innsbruck	7	9,170
							69	70450

Short Term Guest Professorships – Incoming

Prof. PhD Yongjiang Liu
College of Earth Sciences, Jilin University, China

Partner Institution:
University of Salzburg



My short visit to Salzburg University and attendance at EGU 2010 in Vienna were financially supported by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. The visiting schedule during my stay in Austria was as follows:

- 1st May 2010, from Beijing via Munich to Salzburg
- 2nd May 2010, from Salzburg to Vienna.
- 3rd -7th May 2010, attending the conference of EGU 2010 in Vienna
- 8th -30st May 2010, worked in Salzburg
- 31st May 2010, from Salzburg, via Munich to Beijing

The results of the visit are the following:

During the conference of EGU (European Geoscience Union) 2010 in Vienna, Professor Franz Neubauer and myself organized a session, “TS6.2. Tethysides-Altaids relationships: the Birth of the Eurasian Continent”, to show our cooperative research in Western China and Europe. By the way, at the meeting I also received a lot of information on geo-science, and made many contacts to professors and researchers of the interested fields, this is very helpful to start further cooperative research.

During the visit at Salzburg University, I had a very fruitful discussion with Prof. Franz Neubauer and Dr. Johann Genser.

- For the cooperative research work about the project “The Northward Growth of the Tibetan Plateau” in Western China, we exchanged the research results on each side and discussed the further research plan for the future. Finally we fixed the details for the summer field trip in Western China.
- According to our cooperation research data, we finished two publication manuscripts and will submit to the world’s leading geo-sciences journals.
- As a part of our cooperation, we will continue to send Chinese students to study at Salzburg University for PhD, co-supervised by Professor Franz Neubauer and me. This time we discussed the study plan of the PhD student Guoqing Han (he has been the first PhD student in Salzburg University already within the cooperation). And we also made a plan for a new PhD student, Wei Li, to study at Salzburg University and work within the cooperation projects between and Professor Franz Neubauer and me.

Thanks to Eurasia-Pacific Uninet’s financial support for my visiting and arrangements.

Short Term Guest Professorships – Outgoing

The aim of the stay in Xi'an was to initiate a cooperation project about the evolution of the Qinling orogen. The Qinling orogen is an about 2000 km E-W extending mountain belt which displays several phases of mountain building processes. The main focus of the intended project is on petrology and geochronology, which is partly missing to obtain a full picture of the geology there. Thus, a field campaign and analytical work was organized in Xi'an, China from March 28- April 10, 2010. During my stay in China, I also wanted to extend my cooperation activities to the China University of Geosciences in Wuhan and I planned a meeting with Prof. Yongshen Liu before work in Xi'an started.

Scientific Outline

The metamorphic history of the different constituents of the Eastern Qinling Mountains is not well investigated and detailed petrological data in combination with structural geological, geochemical and geochronological techniques is required. The obtained P-T-D-t-paths from the different basement units will help to constrain the geotectonic environment and especially the prograde as well retrograde metamorphic history of these different units. A reconnaissance study along these units was undertaken during end of March and beginning of April 2010 in order to obtain a first set of samples for petrological, structural, geological and geochronological work.



Prof. Dr. Christoph Hauzenberger
University of Graz

Partner Institution:
Northwest University, Xi'an

Activities from March 25–April 11, 2010

- March 23, 2010: start field work with Prof. Dong and a Masters Student (Yang Chen) from the Northwest University, Xi'an. Sampling along a profile from Luo Fu valley to Luo Nan. Sampled rocks will be analyzed by microprobe and XRF in Graz and by LA-ICPMS in Xi'an.
- March 30, 2010: Field data and samples were obtained along the profile from Luo Nan to Shang Nan (Eastern Qinling orogen).
- April 1, 2010: Field work along the Qingyou He valley. Outcrops of high grade/magmatic gneisses belonging to the Qinling Complex were sampled.
- April 3, 2010: sampling rocks of the South Qinling Mountains on the way back to Xi'an.
- April 4–5, 2010: analytical work at the Northwest University, Xi'an (LA-ICPMS: age dating).
- April 6–9, 2010: work on two publications with Prof. Yunpeng Dong and continued work on data reduction from analytical measurements (incl. interpretation).

Manuscript # 1: Yunpeng Dong, Guowei Zhang, Christoph Hauzenberger, Franz Neubauer, Zhao Yang, Xiaoming Liu. Palaeozoic tectonics and evolutionary history of the Qinling orogen: evidence from geochemistry and geochronology of ophiolite and related volcanic rocks. Submitted to *Lithos*, in revision.

Manuscript # 2: Yunpeng Dong, Guowei Zhang, Franz Neubauer, Christoph Hauzenberger, Xiaoming Liu, Dingwu Zhou, Zhao Yang. Syn/Post-collisional granitoids in the Central Tianshan orogen: geochemistry, geochronology and implications for tectonic evolution. To be submitted to *Journal of Asian Earth Sciences*.

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Partner Institutions:
Seoul National University,
Korean Goethe Society

I travelled to Seoul (Republic of Korea) from September 11-19, 2010. My stay there was dedicated to the project “Goethe’s West-Eastern Divan and its Translations between World Literature, Orientalism and Occidentalism.” I met with and talked to a great number of different dialogue partners in many and various frames of discussions in Seoul.

I participated in three formal academic events:



Workshop “West-Eastern Divan” at the Seoul National University

Prof. Dr. Young-Ae Chon, an eminent German and Comparative Studies scholar and translator and I, organized and conducted a three-day workshop (September 14–16) on Goethe’s “West-Eastern Divan” which was attended by ten MA and PhD students of Seoul National University. In a combination of talks given by the workshop leaders and plenary seminar discussions, we covered the following topics:

- Genesis of the West-Eastern Divan and historical-cultural contexts, topics, structure (September 14, 2010)
- European and Far Eastern concepts of orientalism (September 14, 2010)
- dialogism as a central principle with regards to the communication situation, topics, genre questions, religious discourse, etc (September 16, 2010)

Paper “The Merit of Scaring us as a Bogey into the Original.” – Goethe as Theoretical Proponent and Victim of Literal Translation Exemplified by the Russian Adaptations of the Divan.”

On September 16, I gave a paper at the Department of German Language and Literature of Seoul National University on the topic “The Merit of Scaring us as a Bogey into the Original.’ Goethe as Theoretical Proponent and Victim of Literal Translation Exemplified by Russian Adaptations of the Divan.” The ensuing lively discussion focused on questions translation theory and practical problems of translation and on the question in which ways an encounter with “exotic” literatures is always shaped by linguistic and cultural perspectives. The results of the discussion of my paper and of the plenary workshop discussions, will enrich a paper of the same title that will be published in the edited volume “Austausch und Bereicherung: Goethe als Übersetzer (Goethe as Translator – edited by Markus May and Evi Zemanek) as well as in the Korean “Zeitschrift für deutschsprachige Kultur und Literaturen (Journal for German Language and Literatures).”

Meeting of the Goethe Reading Group of the Korean Society

I was invited to participate as a special guest in a meeting of the Goethe reading group of the Korean Goethe Society on September 16, 2010. This group of Goethe scholars from various Korean universities has been meeting for 15 years and is dedicated to reading, translating and discussing works by Goethe. In the meeting, to which I was invited, we concentrated on the verse version of Goethe's "Iphigenie." The meeting started with impulse talks which were followed by a lively discussion on questions of translation and translatability of distant languages (German and Korean), of the metrical/rhythmic form, and of design and evaluation of the contact of cultures (Greeks vs. Scythians) in Goethe's drama.

In connection with the three academic events mentioned before, but also independently of these events, I talked to a great number of students and researchers of the Seoul National University and of other Korean universities. Apart from the participants of the "Divan" workshop I should mention (among others):

Prof. Dr. Ihmku Kim, Prof. Dr. Hang-Kyun Jeong, Prof. Dr. Hong-Bae Lim, Prof. Roland Breitenfeld, Dr. Young-Jin

Choi (all Seoul National University), Prof. Dr. Kyung-Hee Kim (Yonsei University), Prof. Dr. Yeon-Soo Kim, Prof. Dr. Hyun Cheon (Ewha Woman's University), Prof. Byung Wook Cho (Inha University). Extensive discussions with two German PhD students, Birgit Geipel, MA (Ludwig Maximilian University Munch, in Seoul with one-year grant from DAAD) and Gitte Zschoch, MA (Seoul National University) proved to be very illuminating with regards to phenomena of external and internal perception concerning Orientalism and Occidentalism. The scale of appreciation of and commitment for the project by the Korean side can be gauged by the fact that the Seoul National University has far exceeded its initial promise of partly covering for my accommodation by taking over the full cost of my hotel stay.

My conclusion is a very positive indeed: the journey to Seoul proved to be very fruitful for our joint project. The results of the scholarly discussions will find their way into the mentioned publications, and I am hopeful that the renewals and newly formed academic connections will lead to some form of long-term Austrian-Korean scholarly collaboration. I want to thank the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet explicitly for their generous financial support, which made this successful journey possible.

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IAT – Institute of Architectural Technology
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Partner Institutions:
Tongji University, Shanghai,
Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), China

During the time period from September 11–22, 2010, I visited, in the framework of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, member institutions in Dezhou, Shanghai and Hong Kong.

September 12–13: Visiting of the EXPO 2010, where also an inspection of the “Hamburg Haus” took place. Here, the topic was the energy-efficient building of “Passivhaus” in tropical regions. Afterwards, we inspected the German and Chinese Pavilions where our main focus was on energy-efficient structural engineering.

September 14: Visiting of the Tongji University Shanghai, where co-operation consultations with Ms. WEI Li, International Exchange and Cooperation Office, College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Tongji University, Shanghai, took place.

- Cooperation conversation with Prof. ZHANG Jianlong, dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Prof. WEI Cen, CAUP (College of Architecture and Urban Planning), Tongji University, Shanghai.
- Guided tour through the CAUP, Wen Yuan Building and Research Institute at Tongji University. The project of student exchange between Graz University of Technology and CAUP, in the frame of Master study programs, was decided here. Also the possibility of a double Master graduate program for the exchange students could be realized.

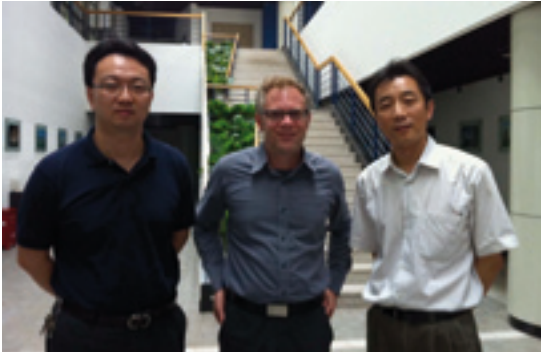


September 15: Meeting with Mr. Hugo Lang, Managing Director, Claymedia

Trading, Beijing. During this meeting, we discussed possible promotion for a research project in cooperation with the Graz University of Technology, fielding of Wienerberger bricks in China, and the co-operation between Claymedia and the Design & Research Institute of Tsinghua University, Beijing.

September 16–18: Visiting and co-operation consultations with Prof. Zhuang Weimin, Head Chief Architect, Architectural Design & Research Institute of Tsinghua University, Beijing and Prof. Li Tei, Chief of Eco-Design Office Architectural Design & Research Institute at Tsinghua University, Beijing.

Participation in the “4th International Solar Cities Initiative World Congress”, 2010, in Dezhou. At this conference I was one of the keynote speakers. I gave a lecture on „energy-efficient dense residential structures.” Some companies and scientists showed their interest in our research project after the speech. Beijing was interested in the topic, the Chinese television recorded an interview with me after the lecture. The international lectures at the congress imparted knowledge about the state of technology concerning energy-efficient buildings. At the congress, there was opportunity to make contacts to scientists and academics from



all over the world. The speech “Energy-efficient dense residential structures“ will be published in various Chinese magazines.

September 19: Meeting with the first exchange student from Graz University of Technology at CUHK, Patrick Reynolds. Together we made an inspection of the accommodation on campus of the CUHK. Students’ accommodation is spacious and in good condition. The teaching schedule at the school of architecture is clearly arranged, the teaching contents are understandable for the exchange students. I also met Professor Zhu Jingxiang, School of Architecture, CUHK and Prof. Esther Lorenz. We talked concretely about the realization of the new research project. There was also a discussion about the publication of the design results of the joint study program „Residential Tower Hong Kong,“ which was made before.

September 20: Meeting with Prof. Hendrik Tieben. High level talks about the topics of common research on the marco level: „Urban Densification and Public Space“. Also a meeting with Prof. Marc Aurel Schnabel was arranged. The possibilities of financial sponsoring of the research project with private Real Estate companies and public “Housing Authority Hong Kong” were discussed. Cooperation with these institutions is realistic in the near future. A second meeting with Professor Zhu Jingxiang, School of Architecture CUHK, took place as well. Both sides agreed on the concrete reali-



zation of the research project. The possibility to integrate research in teaching, communication exchange, and the time schedule had been evaluated. Possibilities of the realization of a prototype were discussed too. In the evening, I got together with Prof. Shiqiao Li. During our meeting we talked about theoretical rudiment contents of the research project. Subsequently, I visited the faculty of architecture in Hong Kong Island, at the „Hong Kong University of China“, where a lecture by Prof. Shiqiao Li including a subsequent discussion with exchange students from the University of California took place.

Resume:

My visits to the aforementioned universities can be seen as a basis for creating cooperation on the level of teaching and research between Graz University of Technology and the CAUP, Tongji University, Shanghai, which is one of the most important faculties of architecture in China. The project involving students’ and teachers’ exchange is already decided upon. The Memorandum of Understanding will be signed by the Rector of Graz University of Technology, Prof. Hans Suenkel. The research project with the School of Architecture of the CUHK is to be realized in the near future, enabling both parties to cooperate in different levels of field research. The Letters of Intent were signed by Prof. Puay-peng Ho, Director of School of Architecture, CUHK and Prof. Roger Riewe, Head of Institute of Architecture Technology, Graz University of Technology.

Prof. Dr. Rudolf Bauer
University of Graz

Partner institution:
China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing



In order to get into contact with colleagues from China Pharmaceutical University in Nanjing, and to discuss collaboration on “Metabolomic Studies of Chinese Herbal Medicine” I travelled to China from October 14-23, 2010. I met Prof. Kong Ling-Yi, Dean of School of Traditional Chinese Pharmacy and Professor of Department of Natural Medicinal Chemistry at China Pharmaceutical University, first in Hangzhou during the Shanghai International Conference on Traditional Chinese Medicine and Natural Medicine from October 16.-17, 2010. I know him since I am acting together with him as Associate Editor in Chief of the Chinese Journal of Natural Medicines, which is published by the China Pharmaceutical University, the China Pharmaceutical Association and Elsevier. On October 17, I travelled to Gaochun, where I attended the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uni-

net Plenary Meeting 2010. I met with Prof. Shi Zhixiang, Deputy Director of the Office of International Exchange and Cooperation and Director of the Department of Pharmaceutical English of China Pharmaceutical University and had discussions on the formal aspects of a future collaboration. He arranged a visit to China Pharmaceutical University in Nanjing for 19th of October. In Nanjing I gave a lecture in order to introduce the Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and the TCM Research Center at the University of Graz, and to outline our research activities and interests. The meeting was attended by Prof. Shi Zhixiang, Prof. Kong Ling-Yi and Dr. Luo Jian-Guang from Department of Natural Medicinal Chemistry, Prof. Kou Junping, Department of Traditional Chinese Prescription, who is expert in pharmacology, in particular in molecular and animal studies of inflammatory diseases, Prof. Mian Zhang, Director of Research Department of Pharmacognosy, Assoc. Prof. Chao Feng Zhang from Department of Pharmacognosy, Prof. Liu Lifang from Department of TCM Analysis, and Assoc. Prof. Angela Y. Gao from Department of TCM Pharmaceutics. All have been very interested in establishing a close collaboration in the field of “Metabolomic Studies of Chinese Anti-inflammatory Herbal Medicine”, because our research interests turned out to be very similar. It is planned as a next step to sign a MOU and to exchange scientists via EPU.

After the discussions I was guided through the laboratories, which turned out to be on a very high level. On October 20, I attended the EPU Alumni Meeting in Shanghai and presented a poster on the Sino Austrian Collaborating Center for Chinese Medical Sciences at the Austrian EXPO Pavilion.

Finally, I returned to Hangzhou to attend the 4th Joint ChP-USP Symposium on Drug Standards and Quality Control on October 21-22, where I gave on lessons and perspectives in the development of QC monographs of Chinese herbs.

From September 23 – October 1, 2010, five members of our telemedicine working group from the Medical University of Vienna, under the lead of Prof. Dr. Michael Binder, traveled to Ulan Bator, Mongolia, in order to initiate a telemedical project in cooperation with the Health Sciences University of Mongolia.

Our Mongolian contact, Dr. Enkthur Yadamasure, an extraordinary well-organized and generous host, gave us a comprehensive understanding of the Mongolian health care system. Additionally, he provided an unforgettable insight into the Mongolian culture. Main emphasis of this journey was the initiation of a sustainable telemedical project in Ulan Bator. This, it was essential to gain insight into the existing health care system, and furthermore to establish relationships in- and outside the capital of Mongolia.

During several meetings with the President of the Health Sciences University of Mongolia, Prof. Dr. Lkhagvasuren Tserenkhuugyin, and his fellow executives, we were able to discuss and plan our future cooperation. The presentation of our telemedical project met explicit consent and further support was guaranteed from Prof. Dr. Lkhagvasuren Tserenkhuugyin. A cooperation contract will be prepared in the following weeks.

In addition, we were given the opportunity to experience all three levels of the Mongolian health care system and could visit these medical facilities on site. We visited a primary care hospital, located at the outskirts of Ulan Bator, and serving for approx. 12.000 inhabitants. It offers ambulatory treatment and home visits for infants, chronically ill and elderly people. Secondary care facilities have the resources for specialized diagnostic and treatment modalities. Additionally, they have the possibility for in- and outpatient health care. Major challenges for physicians are home visits,

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Partner Institution:
Health Sciences University of Mongolia



especially during winter, which must be performed at regular intervals. The highest-level general hospitals are all in the capital. We visited the National Dermatology Center of Mongolia, a recently established facility, with 35 employed dermatologists.

At 1.560.000 km², Mongolia is the most sparsely populated country in the world, with a population of approx. 3 million people. In the past five decades, major lifestyle changes had a profound effect on health care in Mongolia. Nowadays, about 50% of the Mongolian population resides in urban areas, and Ulan Bator is home to nearly 1 million people. These demographic changes led to increased air pollution, causing a concerning increase of respiratory disorders and allergic skin diseases. Infectious skin diseases, mainly sca-

bies, are rising due to the lack of sanitary facilities. The prevalence of hepatitis B and C is strongly increasing. Diseases of the cardiovascular system, cancer (e.g. lung cancer, hepatocellular cancer), and diabetes mellitus are the leading causes of morbidity and mortality in Ulan Bator. Furthermore, Mongolia has relatively high rates of maternal (89.6 per 100.000 inhabitants), infants (39.9 per 1.000 births), and under 5-year olds (53.8 per 1.000 live births) mortality.

Intensive talks with Mongolian physicians and the impressions we collected in different medical facilities enabled us to generate several potential ideas for the implementation of a telemedical project. Infectious diseases, rudimentary medical care in primary and secondary health care facilities, and the lack of evidence-based diagnostic and treatment guidelines represent the main problems. Thus, we are planning

to implement, in cooperation with the Health Sciences University of Mongolia, a telemedical application for decision support in selected rural areas of Mongolia. Furthermore, this system offers the opportunity to discuss complex and educational cases together, either at the Health Sciences University of Mongolia or at the Medical University of Vienna. Additionally, Mongolian physicians will be provided with mobile, evidence-based treatment guidelines. The telematic distribution of these guidelines ensures a high level of actuality.

In summary, we would like to mention that we are expecting great telemedical potential in Mongolia. Sustainability and suitability for daily use are the primary aims of our project. Especially when it comes to infectious diseases, pediatric care and evidence based treatment guidelines, the great potential for telemedical support needs to be realized as soon as possible.



In the frame of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, I participated in the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting from October 14-19, in Nanjing, China. Subsequently, I visited Fudan University in Shanghai, where I had cooperation talks with the Dean of the Business School and with the Dean of the Law School.

During the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting, my task was to give a lecture on the Sino-Austrian Center for Media and Marketing (Communication). In my lecture about the aforementioned center, I reported on its structure, history as well as its areas of responsibility. Moreover, I gave an activities report on the same and also updated the audience on its situation.

At the same time, in my function as promoter of international mobility at the University of Salzburg, I took the opportunity to discuss problems regarding integration of University Salzburg staff, working at the University for the Network, into the OeAD, with the OeAD CEO, Prof. Hubert Duerrstein, as well as with the Head of the Center for International Cooperation and Mobility, Dr. Irene Mueller. Furthermore, also the

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Partner Institution:
Nanjing, Fudan University, Shanghai

future of the network as such had been discussed. On the second day of the 3rd Plenary Meeting in Nanjing, I was leading the law working group sessions. We, the working group members, worked on several proposals for cooperation projects in the field of law, which were afterwards presented to the plenary assembly.

During my stay at the Fudan University in Shanghai, the Dean of the Business School and I agreed upon the realization of a China Studies module in the frame of master studies in “law and economics”.

Due to the friendly by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet support in form of an outgoing scholarship, I was able to visit the Xi'an International Studies University and Fudan University, Shanghai in China from November 11-22, 2010. During my visit to the aforementioned universities, I gave a lecture on the Austrian art and culture and on the Austrian art and culture in the 1970s. The German Department at the Fudan University as well as the Xi'an International Studies University and I agreed to continue our collaboration in the future.

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Partner Institution:
Xi'an International Studies University, Xi'an,
Fudan University, Shanghai, China

Prof. Dr. Guenther Retscher
Vienna University of Technology,
Institute of Geodesy and Geophysics
Research Group Engineering Geodesy

Partner Institutions:
Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China,
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University,
Hong Kong Baptist University, China

During my visit at the School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning at the Sun Yat Sen University in Guangzhou, I had the opportunity to see the research work of my colleague Prof. Linyuan Xia in the field of satellite and ubiquitous positioning. Prof. Xia's expertise in satellite navigation and his involvement regarding the development of the new Chinese satellite positioning system Beidou (engl. Compass), provided new research background and insights for our future collaboration in the navigation field. The Beidou development is currently a major research area in China. Due to combination of Beidou with the US Global Navigation Satellite System (GPS) and the future European Galileo System, positioning technologies for location determination can be enhanced in challenging urban environments. New contacts were established with the Guangdong Provincial Association of Satellite Applica-

tions (GPASA) which belongs to the group of Beidou research institutes in China. They reported about the strategic plan for the Beidou development and its usage in navigation. Prof. Xia will work closely with this organization in the future. In addition, I had the opportunity to visit two major companies in the Guangdong Province. The first company visited was GPST. They have developed a service for the navigation and tracking of government vehicles and fleet management on a web interface. Vehicles are equipped with GPS receivers for positioning and they report their current location to the service center. In challenging urban environments where GPS signals are frequently blocked, however, other ubiquitous positioning techniques shall be included in the future. Prof. Xia will work closely with them in the refinement of the location service. The second company visited was the satellite positioning receiver manufacturer South Geosystems (<http://www.southgeosystems.com/>). They showed us their latest products in receiver design. It will be considered to use their equipment in the test runs to be followed. In the second part of my trip, I visited the Department of Land Surveying and Geo-Informatics of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University and the Department of Geography of the Hong Kong Baptist University. After visiting their research facilities, we discussed their current topics of research. Prof. Esmond Mok at Hong Kong Polytechnic University is working on seamless positioning with wireless technologies such as WiFi (or

WLAN), ZigBee and Ultra Wide Band (UWB). He could show that the integration of these techniques with satellite positioning is a major research area also in our collaborative project. At Hong Kong Baptist University, Prof. Donggen Wang gave an insight about his research in the field of human navigation behavior and trip analysis of people in Guangdong Province. So far, his group had only used low-cost GPS receivers for people tracking, but in future we will apply a multi-sensor solution, which makes use of sensors that are nowadays already integrated in smart phones, such as accelerometers for determination of the movement pattern and travel distance measurement as well as digital compasses for determination of the direction of movement.

One major outcome of the discussions at the three different departments is the agreement to prepare a joint research proposal in the field of seamless and ubiquitous positioning for pedestrian users. The development of an open source platform was initiated through which theoretical and practical research into ubiquitous positioning can be enhanced. Further collaborative work includes the preparation of a paper for the upcoming LBS 2011 Conference (<http://www.lbs2011.org/>) to be held in Vienna, Austria, from November 21-23, 2011. The paper is entitled "Use of Smart Phones for Tracking and Trip Recording" and will report on our future project work. For that purpose, testing will be performed in Hong Kong by my colleagues.

1st OeAD/EPU Chinese–Austrian Alumni Meeting

Venue: Shanghai World Expo 2010,
Austria Pavilion, Shanghai

Date: October 20, 2010

On October 20, 2010 the Austrian Center at Fudan University, in its function as cooperation office of the OeAD and Eurasia Pacific Uninet (EPU) in China, organised the 1st Chinese-Austrian Alumni Meeting at Shanghai World Expo 2010. The event was supported by the go international-initiative of the Austrian Chamber of Commerce. Around 100 Chinese alumni and more the 30 representatives from Austrian universities and universities of applied sciences joined the meeting.

In the morning, participants from China and Austria were invited to the campus of the renowned Fudan University, one of China's leading higher education institutions, in order to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the Austrian Center Shanghai. They were welcomed by

Prof. Zhu Chouwen, Deputy Director of the Foreign Affairs Office, with an introduction on Fudan University followed by an overview of the cooperation with Austrian higher education institutions. Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, President of Eurasia Pacific Uninet, used the opportunity to thank Fudan University for its support. Afterwards, two Chinese alumni shared their study experience in Austria with the audience. The ceremony was concluded with a lunch reception on invitation of Fudan University.

In the afternoon, the participants moved on to visit Shanghai World Expo 2010 and were warmly welcomed by Mag. Birgit Murr, General Project Manager of the Austrian Pavilion. After a guided tour through the Austrian pavilion, visits to other pavilions were organized, among them especially the Chinese one was well received. The free time in the afternoon provided professors and students the opportunity to talk to each other and to exchange their thoughts on studying and doing research in Austria.



The official evening reception hosted by Mr. Julian Mueller, head of the Austrian Center at Fudan University, was held in the VIP lounge of the Austrian pavilion. Addressees of welcome were given by Michael Heinz, Austrian Consul General Shanghai, Dr. Hubert Duerrstein, CEO of OeAD, Dr. Brigitte Winklehner, President of EPU, and Dr. Irene Mueller, Head of the Centre for International Cooperation and Mobility (OeAD). Their speeches placed great emphasis on the importance of further cooperation in higher education between Austria and China.

Mr. Raymund Gradt, Austrian Consul (Commercial Affairs) in Shanghai, made the keynote speech of the evening and provided an insight into the commercial relations between Austria and China. He emphasized the role of alumni as partners of the Austrian economy in China.

At the end of the program, the participants enjoyed an authentic Austrian buffet and selected pieces of Austrian music performed by the quartet Vienna Calling.



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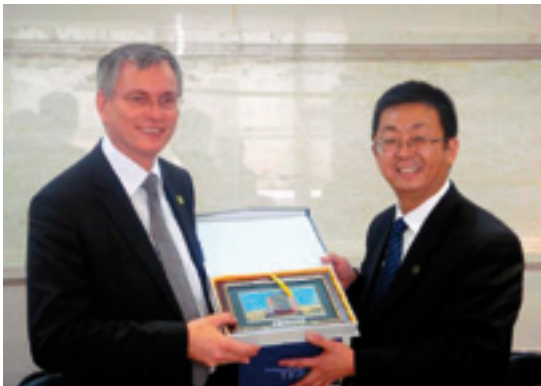
State Visit of the Austrian State President Dr. Heinz Fischer to China



Date: 15–22 January 2010

Venue: Beijing, Shanghai, China

In the second half of January 2010, the Austrian Federal President, Dr. Heinz Fischer, together with a delegation consisting of high-ranking Austrian representatives from various Austrian ministries as well as the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber and other institutions, paid a five-day visit to China.



Eurasia-Pacific Uninet had the pleasure to participate and co-organize the visit of the health delegation, making part of the state visit of the Austrian State President, headed by the Austrian Federal Minister of Health, Dr. Alois Stoeger and Vice-Minister Dr. Robert Schloegel to Beijing Hospitals of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet partner institutions Capital Medical University and the China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet coordinators had also the pleasure to be invited by H.E. Dr. Martin Sajdik to the reception given in honour of the Austrian State President in the Austrian Embassy.



Delegation of Austrian Representatives to the People's Democratic Republic of Korea

Date: January 22–25, 2010
Venue: Pyongyang,
Democratic People's Republic of Korea



In January 2010, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet carried out an official visit to Pyongyang, Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK). The main purpose of the visit was to admit the two North Korean universities, the Kim Il Sung University and the Kim Cheak University of Technology to membership of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

The membership of the two North Korean universities located in Pyongyang had been under discussion since an Austrian delegation with the former Federal Minister of Education, Science and Culture, Elisabeth Gehrer, and Vice Minister Dr. Sigurd Hoellinger, visited the country in July 2007 and officially invited North Korea to join Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

The government of DPRK had the intention to develop and extend the two aforementioned universities to world standard universities. Within this context, the delegation headed by the president of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, was extended a warm welcome. By joining the network, the Ministry of Education of the DPRK as well as the university authorities and faculty members would expect support and benefits for the future development of the two universities. In the course of the talks, the North Korean side informed about the disciplines and research fields being of special interest for future co-operations within the network and evinced interest in guest professorships. The Austrian side pointed out that with the connection of the North Korean universities to the Austrian member institutions, it will be possible to accommodate all the concerns of the North Korean side. Describing the opportunities coming along with the membership, the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet also mentioned the possibility of support in the field of professional training, the organization of train-the-trainer workshops as well as the participation in conferences.

The ceremony for the signing of the network declarations and a more detailed non-binding side letter about the future network collaboration was attended by di-

rector Han Kyu Sam of the Department for International Relations of the Ministry of Education of the DPRK and the Vice Presidents of the Kim Il Sung University and the Kim Cheak University of Technology, Mr. Kim Il Gwang and Mr. Jong Kwang Chon.

Together with the signing, a commitment was given by the Austrian side to award four Post-Doc or PhD scholarships amounting to 20 scholarship months, two scholarships each for the Kim Il Sung University and the Kim Cheak University of Technology. In addition, an invitation for four representatives of the DPRK (including an interpreter) to participate in the forthcoming 3rd Plenary Meeting of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in Nanjing, China, in October 2010 was issued by the President of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. The invitation to the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Meeting was accepted and four representatives from the Education Commission from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Kim Il Sung University as well as Kim Chaek University of Technology participated in the meeting in Nanjing. The four scholarship holders from the Kim Il Sung University and the Kim Cheak University of Technology will start their research stay as Post-Docs in Austria in November 2011.



Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Brigitte Winklehner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	President
Wolf-Dieter Rausch	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna	Professor
Richard Trappl	University of Vienna	Professor
Walter Kofler	Medical University of Innsbruck	Professor
Jean Schneider	University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences Vienna	Professor
Thomas Reichenbach	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	Project Manager
Teresa Achleitner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	Project Manager

Visit of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Representatives to Nanjing

Date: June 14–16, 2010
Venue: Nanjing Foreign Affairs Office,
Nanjing Medical University, China

Prof. Brigitte Winklehner and Mr. Julian Mueller paid a visit to the Nanjing Medical University-Nanjing First Hospital as a result of successful discussions and co-operation talks with the Vice-Rector Rudolf Mallinger during the visit of the Nanjing Medical University delegation in May in Vienna. Due to fruitful cooperation talks held in Vienna in May 2010, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Sino-Austrian Diagnostic Treatment and Research Center on Cardiovascular Diseases between the Nanjing First Hospital and the Medical University of Vienna in the framework of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet was signed during this visit to the Nanjing Medical University. We are very much looking forward to continue this fruitful cooperation with Nanjing First Hospital of Nanjing Medical University within the framework of the Sino-Austrian Diagnostic Treatment Center on Cardiovascular Diseases.



Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Brigitte Winklehner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	President
Julian Mueller	Austrian Center Shanghai	Head

Delegation of Austrian Representatives to Xi'an



The purpose of this delegation's visit to Xi'an was to visit the EPU member institutions namely the Xi'an International Studies University and Xi'an Jiaotong University in order to highlight the interest in expanding its activities with the aforementioned university in the framework of the network.

After a warm welcome by the Xi'an International Studies University, thoughts and opinions were exchanged on various topics of interest. Vice-President Liu Xuelian expressed her wish to establish a German Language lectorate at the Xi'an International University. Moreover, Vice-President Liu Xuelian stated the fact that there is a high demand for sending Xi'an International Studies University students studying German to Aus-

Date: June 28–29, 2010
Venue: Xi'an International Studies University,
 Xi'an Jiaotong University,
 Northwest University, Xi'an

tria in order to get their bachelor and master degree in German Language and Literature Studies. Both sides agreed to continue their collaboration on this topic. Xi'an Jiaotong University was the delegation's next destination. After also a very warm welcome, cooperation talks with Director Liang Li, Department of International Cooperation and Exchanges took place. Director Liang Li had also been informed about and invited to the 3rd Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Plenary Meeting and the International Conference on Aging in Hong Kong. The Austrian professors also conducted scholarship interviews. Students from Northwest University, Xi'an also joined the interviewing process. During the visit at the Northwest University, the delegates had the opportunity to meet the honorable former President Prof. Sun Yong. In his new appointed role as the chairman of the University Council, he invited the delegates to a joint dinner, where also discussions about future joint activities were held.

Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Brigitte Winklehner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	President
Wolf-Dieter Rausch	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna	Professor
Alfred Pitterle	University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences	Professor
Teresa Achleitner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	Project Manager

Delegation of Austrian Representatives to Northwest A&F University, Yangling

Date: June 30–July 1, 2010
Venue: Northwest A&F University,
 Yangling, China

The delegation was headed by the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's president, Prof. Brigitte Winklehner, and mainly consisted of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet coordinators and co-workers.

After being warmly welcomed, the delegates met the Honorable President of the Northwest A&F University, Prof. Sun Wuxue and Vice President Prof. Hou Xi. During their visit, the delegates had talks with the leaders of the university on the project "Integrated Rural Development" as well as on the ongoing joint projects. Furthermore, the delegates had the opportunity to visit an eco farm (size of the area: 73.400 km²) as well as to hold scholarship interviews for the students from the Northwest A&F University.



Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Brigitte Winklehner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	President
Wolf-Dieter Rausch	University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna	Professor
Alfred Pitterle	University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences	Professor
Teresa Achleitner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	Project Manager

Visit of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Representative to Urumqi and Shihezi



Date: September 6–8, 2010
Venue: Xinjiang Medical University,
 Shihezi University, Urumqi, China

During their visit to Urumqi, the Austrian delegates visited the Xinjiang Medical University as well as the Shihezi University.

After a warm welcome, the delegates had a meeting with the leaders of the Xinjiang

Medical University, during which also Honorable President Halmurat Wufuer was present. Various topics of interest such as the oncoming conference on traditional medicines were discussed. Both sides agreed upon the conference being held in the year 2011 at the Xinjiang Medical University. After the meeting with the university's leaders, Ph.D Scholarship interviews were conducted. At the end of the visit to the aforementioned university, students of the Xinjiang Medical University were awarded On-Place Scholarships.

After a just as warm welcome at the Shihezi University, the delegates were invited to cooperation talks regarding future joint projects in the framework of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. The visit to the Shihezi University ended with awarding students On-Place Scholarships to the Shihezi University.

Delegation Member

Name	Institution	Position
Brigitte Winklehner	Eurasia-Pacific Uninet	President, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Professor

Delegation from Nanjing First Hospital affiliated to Nanjing Medical University, China to Austria

Date: May 25–28, 2010

Venue: Vienna, Austria



Four experts from the Nanjing First Hospital Affiliated to Nanjing Medical University, headed by the President Pan Huaining, visited Austria in late May 2010. The aim of the visit was to strengthen and cement the good cooperation between the aforementioned universities.

The delegates paid a visit to the Austrian Ministry of Health, where they had constructive discussions with the Head of Department Prof. Robert Schloegl.

During their visit, the delegates led cooperation talks with the Medical University Vienna on future collaboration in the field of Medicine, as well as fruitful discussions on the establishment of a Nanjing Sino-Austria Cardiovascular Disease Center. Discussions were led, among others from the Austrian side, with the Vice-Rector of the Medical University of Vienna, Prof. Rudolf Mallinger, Prof. Werner Mohl, Prof. Gerald Maurer, Prof. Werner Scheithauer and Prof. Wolf-Dieter Rausch from the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna.

Both sides considered the visit to Austria as very fruitful and successful.

Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Chen Tianming	Nanjing Medical Association	President
Pan Huaining	Nanjing First Hospital	President
Qi Jianwei	Nanjing First Hospital	Associate Chief Physician
Wang Shukui	Nanjing First Hospital	Chief Technician

Delegation from the Chinese Ministry of Education to Austria

Date: April 30–May 3, 2010

Venue: Salzburg, Vienna



Ms. Wu Qidi, the former Vice-Minister of Education from the Chinese Ministry of Education, paid a visit to Salzburg and Vienna on April 30–May 3, 2010. During her stay in Salzburg as well as in Vienna, Ms. Wu Qidi visited the administrative offices of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. In the frame of her visit, Ms. Wu Qidi discussed and exchanged with President Winklehner views about the future collaboration between China and Austria, in particular exploring how to strengthen co-operation in engineering education between Chinese relevant partner institutions under the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet framework.

Delegation Member

Name	Institution	Position
Wu Qidi	Chinese Ministry of Education	Former Vice-Minister of Education

Delegation from Jilin University, Changchun, to Austria

Date: May 25, 2010
Venue: Salzburg, Austria

Prof. Liu Yongjiang, vice director of the College of Earth Sciences at Jilin University, visited the University of Salzburg, as well as the Department of Geological Sciences of the Faculty of Natural Sciences and the office of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in Salzburg on May 25, 2010. Department of Geology is linked since many years in fruitful cooperation with University of Salzburg and University of Leoben.

Delegation Member

Name	Institution	Position
Liu Yongjiang	College of Earth Sciences	Vice-Director

Delegation from Northwest A&F University, Yangling to Austria

The purpose of the delegation's visit to Vienna, Salzburg, and Wels was to highlight the Northwest A&F University's interest in expanding its activities with Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, and also further cooperation with universities in the framework of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. During their visit to Vienna, the members of the Northwest A&F University delegation visited the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna and University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, Vienna to discuss about future projects. The Northwest A&F University delegation participated in the "National Day of Cattle Breeding" during the Wels Agricultural Fair 2010 in Wels. The delegation concluded its visit to Austria by paying a visit to the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet headquarters in Salzburg.

Date: August 31 – September 2, 2010
Venue: Vienna, Salzburg, Wels



Delegation Members

Name	Institution	Position
Sun Wuxue	Northwest A&F University	President
Zhang Zhiying	College of Animal Sciences	Dean
Li Zhouqi	College of Forestry	Dean
Luo Yasheng	College of Water Resources and Architectural Engineering	Associate Dean
Tian Zhiqiang	Department of Foreign Languages	Associate Dean



G_Summer Schools and Subject-Specific Courses

Chinese–Austrian EU Summer School 2010



Since 2002, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, in cooperation with the Chinese Studies Center, organizes annually the Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School for students from the Chinese member institutions. In view of the fact that the number of applications had almost tripled as compared to the previous year, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet reacted to the high demand for the summer school, and managed to arrange a program for a third group at short notice. Originally, the program was set out for two groups. The 9th Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School took place primarily in Brussels, Vienna and Salzburg: from July 9–31, 2010 (group I), from July 10–August 1, 2010 (group II), and July 18–August 9, 2010 (group III). Short trips to cities in Belgium (Antwerp), the Netherlands (Amsterdam), France (Paris), Italy (Venice), together with optional trips to the Czech Republic (Prague) or Hungary (Budapest), were also part of the program.

Group I: July 9–31, 2010

Group II: July 10–August 1, 2010

Group III: July 18–August 9, 2010

Partners: Peking University

Fudan University

China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences

Beijing University of Chinese Medicine

Beijing Foreign Studies University

Minzu University of China

Beijing Jiaotong University

Jilin University

Northwest A&F University

Northwest University

University of Macau

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Nanjing Normal University

Nankai University

Xi'an Finance University

University of Salzburg

University Mozarteum Salzburg

University of Vienna

Vienna University of Economics and Business

Requirements and participants:

The summer school is directed towards students who want to deepen their knowledge about Europe in general and Austria in particular. Since all the lectures are held in English, having a good command of written and spoken English is a basic prerequisite for participation. In 2010, the summer school enjoyed great popularity among students from the Peking University, Fudan University, University of Macau and Jilin University, to name but a few. Whereas both group I and II consisted of students from different Chinese universities, group III was entirely comprised of students from Fudan University, Shanghai. Altogether, there were 121 students and 5 accompanying teachers participating in the Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School in 2010.

Program and itinerary:

The program of the Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School for all three groups started off with introductory lectures at various institutions of the European Union, namely the Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU, the Council of the European Union, the European Parliament, and the European Commission. The reference people from the different institutions talked about the role and functioning of the respective EU institution they represented. Some of the presentations, however, also dealt with more particular issues such as “EU-China Trade Relations” or “Current Economic and Financial Issues”. When in Brussels, the students got to see other Belgian cities such as Antwerp. They also took a one-day trip to Amsterdam with a stopover in Kinderdijk, a village which is famous for its windmills. After spending three days in Paris, which the students mainly used for sightseeing, the groups alternately continued the program in Salzburg and in Vienna. At the Campus Urstein of the Salzburg University of Applied Sciences, the students took courses on Austrian literature, Austrian law, Austrian music, Austrian (art) history and the political system in Austria. As for sightseeing, they went to the Lake District (Wolfgangsee), to Hellbrunn Castle with its playful fountains, and to the fortress (Festung Hohensalzburg). After taking their final exam in Salzburg, the students took a two-day trip to Venice, with a short stop in Wattens, Tyrol

(Swarovski Crystal Worlds). Whereas the program in Salzburg focused on cultural aspects, the program in Vienna covered managerial and economic issues, with special focus on intercultural competence. Lectures were given by representatives from the Confucius Institute at the University of Vienna, Vienna University of Economics and Business, the Embassy of the P.R. China, the Vienna International Center, and the Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs. In addition to the lectures, the students also took a one-day trip to Prague, visited the Schoenbrunn Palace, and used their free time for various other sight-seeing activities.

The Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School is highly estimated among the member institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. The three weeks the students spend in Europe make great impressions on the students. For many Chinese students it is their first time in Europe, or even abroad. Thus, the summer school often functions as a crucial experience in the students’ intercultural awareness. They get to travel to numerous European countries, but they also learn about European/Austrian politics, economics, law and various topics that are unique to European culture. Most importantly, back home they also have a reference when applying for jobs, as they obtain a certificate for their exams in Vienna and Salzburg.



Chinese-Austrian EU Summer School 2010 – Detailed Program

Venues include:	Brussels/Paris/Vienna/Salzburg/Venice
	The following program of group I is similar to group II and III, only the order of cities to be visited vary for each group.
9th–15th July	Brussels
Friday, July 9th	Arrival
10.30 pm	Flight from Beijing to Vienna: OS 064 13.55–18.15/local times Flight from Vienna to Brussels: OS 8175 20:35–22.20 Transfer from Brussels International Airport to hotel
Saturday, July 10th	Luxembourg
Until 8.45 am 8.45 am 9.00 am–12.00 pm 12.00–1.00 pm 1.00–5.30 pm 3.00–6.00 pm 5.30–8.30 pm	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Transfer to Luxembourg Lunch Free time in Luxembourg Guided tour through Antwerp Transfer back to Luxembourg
Sunday, July 11th	Brussels/Antwerp
Until 9.15 am 9.15 am 9.30 am–12.30 pm 12.30–2.00 pm 2.00–3.00 pm 3.00–6.00 pm 6.00–7.00 pm	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Guided tour through Brussels Lunch Transfer to Antwerp Guided tour through Antwerp Transfer back to hotel
Monday, July 12th	Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU
Until 8.30 am 8.30 am 9.20–9.30 am 9.30–10.15 am 10.15–10.30 am 10.30–11.30 am 11.30–11.50 am 11.50 am–12.50 pm 12.50–2.40 pm	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Arrival and security check The Role of the Permanent Representation of Austria and Its Interaction with the EU Institutions , Ambassador Dr. Hans Dietmer Schweisgut, Permanent Representative of Austria to the EU Coffee break The Economic and Trade Policy of the EU , Mr. Wolfgang Igler, Department of Economy, Family and Youth, Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU Break EU-China Trade Relations – Structures, Trends, Challenges and Opportunities , Ms. Adeline Hinderer, Directorate – General Trade, European Commission Lunch

Council of the European Union	
2.40–3.00 pm 3.00–4.30 pm	Arrival and security check Introduction to the European Council and to the Council of the European Union Mr. Klavs Skovsholm, Directorate – General Structure Policy, Market Organisation; the Mediterranean; Relations with countries in Afrika, the Indian Ocean and Latin Amerika
Tuesday, July 13th	European Commission
Until 8.45 am 8.45 am 9.35–9.45 am 9.45–10.00 am	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Arrival and security check Welcome and Presentation of the Program, Mrs. Nicole Peilfort, Unit Visits of the European Commission, Directorate – General Communication, European Commission
10.00–11.30 am	The Role and Functioning of the EU-Institutions, Ms. Milena Fontana, Member of the ext.l speakers team fo the European Commission
11.30–11.45 am 11.45 am–12.45 pm	Break The EU-China Relations, Mr. Francesco Meggiolaro, Unit China, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, Mongolia, Directorate – General External Relations, European Commission
12.45–2.10 pm	Lunch
European Parliament	
2.10–2.30 pm 2.30–4.00 pm	Arrival and security check Information Program of the European Parliament
Wednesday, July 14th	Amsterdam
Until 8.45 am 8.45 am 9.00–11.30 am 11.30 am–12.30 pm 12.30–5.30 pm 5.30–8.00 pm	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Transfer to Amsterdam Lunch Free time in Amsterdam Transfer back to hotel
15th–17th July	Paris
Thursday, July 15th	Paris
Until 8.15 am 8.15 am 8.30 am–3.00 pm 3.00 pm Afternoon	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Transfer to Paris (stopover for lunch) Arrival in Paris Free time – Recommendation: sightseeing + shopping (Arc de Triomphe, Notre-Dame, Louvre, Eiffel Tower, Galeries Lafayette, Champs-Élysées, Sacré Cœur, Moulin Rouge etc.)

Friday, July 16th	Paris
Until 8.15 am 8.15 am 8.30 am–12.30 pm 12.30–1.00 pm Afternoon	Breakfast (provided by Hotel IBIS) Meeting point: hotel lobby Guided tour through Paris Lunch Free time – Recommendation: sightseeing + shopping (Arc de Triomphe, Notre-Dame, Louvre, Eiffel Tower, Galeries Lafayette, Champs-Élysées, Sacré Cœur, Moulin Rouge etc.)
Saturday, July 17th	Paris
	Free time – Recommendation: trip to Versailles garden
18th–22nd July	Salzburg
Sunday, July 18th	Salzburg
Until 7.15 am 7.15 am 7.30–8.30 am 1.00–5.00 pm 7.00–8.00 pm	Breakfast (provided by Hotel Ibis) Meeting point: hotel lobby Transfer from hotel to Airport Charles de Gaulle – Flight from Paris to Vienna OS 412 10:25–12:30 Transfer from Vienna to Salzburg Dinner (provided by FAGO)
Monday, July 19th	Salzburg – University of Applied Sciences Salzburg
7.30–8.30 am 8.30 am– 12.30 pm 12.30–1.30 pm 1.30–2.00 pm 2.30–5.00 pm Afternoon/Evening	Breakfast (provided by FAGO) Lecture on Austrian Literature (Part I), Dr. Siegrid Schmidt, Department of German Studies, University of Salzburg Lecture on Austrian Literature (Part II), Ms. Annemarie Eder Lunch (provided by FAGO) Transfer to downtown Salzburg City walk sightseeing and lecture on Art History in Salzburg, Dr. Ruth Kaltenegger, Art Historian Free time
Tuesday, July 20th	Salzburg – University of Applied Sciences Salzburg
7.30–8.30 am 8.30–11.30 am 11.30 am–12.30 pm 12.30–3.30 pm Afternoon/Evening	Breakfast (provided by FAGO) Lecture on Austrian Law, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Michael Geistlinger, Faculty of Law, Department of Public Law/Public International Law, University of Salzburg Lunch Lecture on Austrian History, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Reinhold Wagnleitner, Department of History, University of Salzburg Free time

Wednesday, July 21st	Salzburg – University of Applied Sciences Salzburg
7.30–8.30 am	Breakfast (provided by FAGO)
8.30–11.30 am	Lecture on The Political System of Austria, Univ.-Ass. Dr. Franz Fallend, Department of Political Science, University of Salzburg
11.30 am–12.30 pm	Lunch (provided by FAGO)
12.30–3.30 pm	Lecture on Austrian Music, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Gratzner, Department of Musicology, University Mozarteum Salzburg
4.00 pm	Transfer to Lake District (Wolfgangsee)
6.00–6.45 pm	Boat Trip from St. Wolfgang to St. Gilgen
7.00–9.30 pm	Dinner at Fischer Wirt (St. Gilgen) hosted by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet Network-President Univ.-Prof. Dr. Brigitte Winklehner
9.30 pm	Transfer back to Campus Urstein
Thursday, July 22nd	Salzburg
8.00–9.00 am	Breakfast (provided by FAGO)
9.00–10.30 am	Final Exam
11.00–11.30 am	Transfer to downtown Salzburg
11.30 am–12.30 pm	Lunch
12.30–2.30 pm	Audio-guide tour of the fortress (Festung Hohensalzburg)
3.00–3.30 pm	Transfer to Hellbrunn Castle (Schloss Hellbrunn)
3.30–5.30 pm	Trick Fountains and Hellbrunn Castle (Schloss Hellbrunn)
5.30–6.00 pm	Transfer back to Campus Urstein
6.30–7.30 pm	Dinner (provided by FAGO)
23rd–24th July	Venice
Friday, July 23rd	Venice
8.00–9.00 am	Breakfast
9.30–11.30 am	Transfer to Wattens
11.30 am–12.00 pm	Introduction to Swarovski Crystal Worlds and shopping
12.00–1.00 pm	Lunch
1.00–3.00 pm	Shopping
3.00–10.00 pm	Transfer to Venice
Saturday, July 24th	Venice
Until 7.45 am	Breakfast (provided by Hotel Crystal)
7.45 am	Meeting point: hotel lobby
8.00–9.00 am	Transfer from hotel to Venice
9.00–10.00 am	Boat trip from Tronchetto – San Marco
10.00 am–12.00 pm	Guided tour through Venice
12.00–3.00 pm	Free time
3.00–3.30 pm	Boat trip back from San Marco – Tronchetto
4.00–10.00 pm	Transfer back to Vienna

25th–30th July	Vienna
Sunday, July 25th	Vienna
	Free time Recommendation: Sightseeing in the City Center of Vienna; Vienna Music Film Festival at Town Hall Square (Rathausplatz) or Visit to the Amusement Park “Prater”
Monday, July 26th	Vienna – Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)
9.00–10.30 am	Welcome and Introduction, Prof. Chen Hangzhu, Educational Department of the Embassy of P.R. China in Austria Univ.-Prof. Dr. Jürgen Mühlbacher, Institute of Change Management and Management Development, WU Mrs. Hildegard Mader, International Office, WU
10.30–10.45 am	Break
10.45–11.45	Lecture on Intercultural Competence Management in Austria, China and India, Prof. Jürgen Mühlbacher
11.45 am–12.45 pm	Lunch
1.00–2.30 pm	Lecture on Economic and Business Trends in Austrian Economy, Mr. Georg Kodydek
	Vienna International Center (VIC)
3.45 pm	United Nations Office at Vienna (UNOV), Vienna International Center (VIC) Arrival and security check at main entrance/Gate 1, Checkpoint 1 UN Visitors’ Centre at the VIC (a valid identification document is required)
4.00–6.00 pm	Guided tour through VIC and lecture by UN staff members on the UN in general and the Vienna-based Organizations
Tuesday, July 27th	Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU)
9.30–11.00 am	Lecture on Baking System in the PRC in Austria, Dr. Christoph Pesau
11.00–11.15	Break
11.15–12.45	Lecture on Cultural Standards in Austria, Germany and China, Mr. Stefan Schilcher
1.00–2.00 pm	Lunch
	Schönbrunn Palace
3.15 pm	Arrival and security check Meeting Point: Visitor-Center at the left side of the main entrance
3.30–5.00 pm	Guided tour through the Imperial Palace “Schloss Schönbrunn”

Wednesday, July 28th	University of Vienna/Austrian Foreign Ministry/Musikverein (Golden Hall)
9.30–10.30 am	University of Vienna Guided tour through the Main Building of the University of Vienna – Prof. Richard Trappl, Department of East Asian Studies, Director of the Confucius Institute at the University of Vienna
10.45 am	Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs Arrival and meeting point at main entrance of the Ministry, location: Minoritenplatz 8, 1010 Vienna
11.00 am–12.30 pm	Presentations given by representatives of the Ministry: “Austria’s Relations with China and Asia” “Austria’s Economic Relations with China” “Austria as a member of the European Union”
12.45–1.45 pm	Lunch
2.00–3.30 pm	University of Vienna, Department of East Asian Studies Workshop on Higher Education for the 21st Century, Prof. Richard Trappl, Department of East Asian Studies, Director of the Confucius Institute at the University of Vienna
3.45–5.15 pm	Final Exam at the Department of East Asian Studies/Sinology, University of Vienna
5.45 pm	Musikverein (Golden Hall) Arrival and meeting point at the side entrance at the Bösendorferstrasse 12, 1010 Vienna
6.00–7.00 pm	Guided Tour through the Musikverein (with Golden Hall) in Chinese Language
Thursday, July 29th	Vienna
	Free Time – Recommendation: trip to Budapest or Prag (1st day)
Friday, July 30th	Vienna
	Free Time – Recommendation: trip to Budapest or Prag (2nd day)
Saturday, July 31st	Vienna
4.30 pm (at the latest)	Meeting point at the OeAD Guesthouse Molkereistrasse
5.00 pm	Transfer from the Guesthouse to the Vienna International Airport Flight from Vienna to Beijing: OS 063 20:15–11:40 (next day)



China Know-How 2010: Modern China Studies for Scientists and Economists

Group I: August 20–September 20, 2010
(Beijing/Shanghai)

Group II: August 20–September 20, 2010
(Shanghai/Beijing)

Partners: Peking University
Fudan University

Project description

The “China Know-How” Summer Schools are intensive summer programs in the People’s Republic of China, organized annually by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in cooperation with the China Studies Center of the University of Salzburg. Target audiences are students and young scientists from Austrian or European universities and other institutes of higher education, as well as employees from international companies. In August and September 2010, China Know-How took place for the 12th time. Course A of China Know-How Summer School, entitled “Modern China Studies for Scientists and Economists” focused on topics such as Economics, Politics, Law, Culture, and Cross-Cultural Management in Modern China. The units were conducted in English at the renowned Peking University, Beijing, and Fudan University, Shanghai, and used a variety of modules. In addition, lectures and discussions conducted by Austrian experts, excursions, and visits to joint venture companies were included in this program.

Course B of China Know-How, entitled “Chinese Language and Cultural Studies”, which had been organized in the previous years, was not carried out in 2010.

Targets of the program:

- know-how regarding Eastern Asia, especially China
- acquisition of additional qualifications useful for a potential future career in Asia
- preparing for future trading markets by becoming acquainted with the legal and economic system, labor and production processes, and living conditions in China
- obtaining a basic command of the Chinese language

Scholarships: students were subsidized with EURO 1,200 per person by

- Eurasia-Pacific Uninet scholarships
- Joint scholarships by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and the University of Salzburg, the University of Graz, and the University of Applied Sciences Campus 02 Graz respectively
- Joint scholarships by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and the Provincial Government of Upper Austria

Participants from the following higher education institutions attended this summer school in 2009:

- University of Vienna
- University of Salzburg
- University of Linz
- University of Graz
- University of Klagenfurt
- University of Innsbruck
- Vienna University of Economics and Business
- Vienna University of Technology
- University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences
- University Mozarteum Salzburg
- University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien
- University of Applied Sciences FH Joanneum
- University of Applied Sciences Campus 02 Graz
- Upper Austria University of Applied Sciences
- FH Kufstein Tirol University of Applied Sciences
- Lauder Business School, Vienna
- UMIT – University for Health Science, Medical Informatics and Technology
- University of Regensburg, Germany
- Deggendorf University of Applied Sciences, Germany
- Bocconi University, Italy

At Peking University, the participants attended lectures on:

- China's Foreign Policy
- China's Environmental Challenges
- China's Culture
- China's Law
- China's Economy
- Chinese Painting
- China's Population
- China's Society
- Chinese (language classes)

Austrian experts who gave lectures:

- Mag. Andreas Werner,
Raiffeisen Zentralbank Beijing Branch
- Mag. Arnulf Gressel,
Austrian Embassy – Commercial Section

At Fudan University, the participants attended lectures on:

- The Development of Economy and Financial System in China
- Shanghai Stories in Social-Spatial Perspective
- A Brief Introduction to Modern History of China
- "When a Superpower Holds a Coming-Out Party: Ethnographic Perspectives on the 2010 Shanghai World Expo"
- China's Health Care System
- Kung Fu and Taiji Practice
- Peking Opera

Company visits:

- Shanghai Volkswagen Automotive Co. Ltd.
- Engel Machinery (Shanghai) Co. Ltd.

Austrian experts who gave lectures:

- Mag. Birgit Murr,
General Project Manager Austrian Pavilion Expo '10
(Reception at the Austrian Pavilion)
- Oliver Lorenz, MH | direkt Asia
- Rudolf Siebenhofer,
SielTMCi Siebenhofer Consulting e.U.

In addition, a sightseeing program was organized to several places of historic and cultural interest in Beijing (Great Wall, Tian'anmen Square and Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, Lama Temple, Peking Opera, Kongfu Show at the Red Theater, optional visit to the Summer Palace) and Shanghai (boat trip on the Huangpu River, Yu Garden and Historical City, Shanghai Museum, Acrobatics Show, Jin Mao Tower, optional trips to Suzhou and Hangzhou).



China Know-How 2010: Modern China Studies for Scientists and Economists, Program Group I

Aug. 21	Arrival in Beijing Group Pick-up from Beijing Capital International Airport and Transfer to Swissôtel Beijing
Aug. 22	Orientation Meeting at PKU Group Photo Welcome Luncheon hosted by PKU Meeting with PKU Language Partners PKU Campus Tour with Language Partners Lecture 1: China's Foreign Policy (Prof. Lian Yuru)
Aug. 23	Lecture 2: China's Environmental Challenges (Prof. Xu Jianhua) Chinese Class 1 Lecture 3: China's Culture (Prof. Zhao Dongmei)
Aug. 24	Lecture 4: China's Law (Prof. Zhang Qi) Lecture by Mag. Arnulf Gressel, Austrian Embassy - Commercial Section Lecture 5: China's Economy (Prof. Yan Se)
Aug. 25	Lecture 6: Chinese Painting (Prof. Ding Ning) Chinese Class 2 Lecture 7: China's Population (Prof. Zhou Yun)
Aug. 26	Visit to the Great Wall at Mutianyu Section
Aug. 27	Chinese Class 3 Visit to the Temple of Heaven and the Hongqiao Market Peking Opera at Huguang Theater
Aug. 28	Lecture 8: China's Society (Prof. Ma Rong) Visit to the Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City
Aug. 29	Free time
Aug. 30	Chinese Class 4 Preparation for the Final Exam
Aug. 31	Final Exam Visit to the Lama Temple Kung Fu Show at Red Theater
Sept. 1	Closing Ceremony
Sept. 2	Free time
Sept. 3	Lecture by Mag. Andreas Werner, RZB Beijing Branch
Sept. 4	Free time
Sept. 5	Check-out from Swissôtel Beijing Departure from Beijing to Shanghai by Night Train

Sept. 6	Arrival in Shanghai Group Pick-up from Shanghai Railway Station and Transfer to Lansheng Hotel Shanghai Orientation Meeting at Fudan - Introduction Fudan and Austrian Center Fudan Campus Tour Welcome Dinner hosted by Fudan
Sept. 7	Lecture: Peking Opera (Ms. Chen Chaohong, Peking Opera Actress) Visit to the Shanghai Museum Huangpu River Cruise
Sept. 8	Lecture: Shanghai Stories in Social-Spatial Perspective (Prof. Yu Hai) Company Visit: ENGEL Machinery Shanghai Co.Ltd
Sept. 9	Lecture: Kung Fu & Taiji Practice (Ms. Jin Xiaoyan) Lecture by Rudolf Siebenhofer, SieITMCi Siebenhofer Consulting e.U.
Sept. 10	Lecture: A Brief Introduction to Modern History of China (Dr. Jin Guangyao)
Sept. 11	Optional Day Trip to Suzhou
Sept. 12	Free time
Sept. 13	Lecture: "When a Superpower Holds a Coming-Out Party: Ethnographic Perspectives on the 2010 Shanghai World Expo" (Dr. Pan Tianshu) Company Visit: Shanghai Volkswagen Automotive Co. Ltd.
Sept. 14	Day at Shanghai World Expo 2010 - Reception at the Austrian Pavillion Lecture by Mag. Birgit Murr, General Project Manager Austrian Pavilion Expo 2010
Sept. 15	Lecture: The Development of Economy and Financial System in China (Prof. Yang Qin) Lecture: Chinas Health Care System (Dr. Zhu Chouwen)
Sept. 16	Lecture by Oliver Lorenz, MH direkt: "B2B Direct Marketing in China" Final Exam Acrobatics Show
Sept. 17	Visit to the Yu Garden and the Historical City Farewell Dinner & Presentation of Certificates
Sept. 18	Optional Day Trip to Hangzhou
Sept. 19	Free time
Sept. 20	Check-out from Lansheng Hotel Shanghai Departure from Shanghai Pudong International Airport to Austria

International Summer University St. Petersburg

Date: September 6–24, 2010
Venue: ISU St. Petersburg, Russia
Partners: St. Petersburg University,
Vienna University of Economics
and Business

The “International Summer University St. Petersburg” (ISU St. Petersburg) took place for the second time from September 6-24, 2010. The program was organized in cooperation with the St. Petersburg State University, Graduate School of Management (GSOM). A total of 44 students participated in the ISU, 21 students from WU, 1 student from FH Krems and 22 students from GSOM. The most frequently mentioned reason for applying was the chance to get to know students from various cultures, as well as to gain international experience and explore a foreign country.

The focus of the English program was „International Marketing and Management“. The academic part consisted of two components: the lectures, which were held each morning, and the project work, which was carried out by the students each afternoon. Topics were first theoretically discussed and then further worked on through independent projects.



In addition to the academic side, the social program played an important role for the intercultural integration of the students. A multitude of activities took place throughout the summer university. One of the highlights was the “Austrian Cultural Evening” in the first week and the “Russian Cultural Evening” in the second week of the program.

The students of the second ISU St. Petersburg left the program with many positive memories and a greater understanding of other cultures and countries, especially Russia and Austria. The participants could also profit in terms of expertise from the academic program. Russian students benefitted, in particular, from the teaching methods of Austrian lecturers.

The transfer of knowledge via the summer university is thus an important contribution to the economic development of Russia. The participants learned a lot from one another and the contacts established during the summer university continued even after the program. With the acquired knowledge – especially about the countries Russia and Austria – the students have certainly gained valuable additional skills for their professional career.



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InFocus

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet: A coordinated and unified approach to international higher education and research cooperation

An internal study carried out beginning of 2010 by the Science, Technology and Environment section of the EU Delegation to China and Mongolia showed that among the European countries most active in terms of researchers exchanges with China, ranked on top of the list not only larger countries such as Germany, France or the UK, but also Austria.

This study also highlighted the various strategies and approaches adopted by the different EU member states in developing their higher education and research exchanges with China. In this regard, Austria presented a unique approach in that it was coordinated and centralized to an almost full extent.

Since the Austrian approach to higher education and research cooperation with China seems to have allowed a relatively small European country to develop a very dynamic relationship with China, this In Focus article offers to get a closer look on the way this relationship has been organized.

A rapidly expanding coordination network

The higher education and research cooperation between Austria and China is centralized and coordinated under a single body: Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. Founded in the year 2000 by Professor Brigitte Winklehner, who had been in charge of international relations for the University of Salzburg, the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet network has expanded rapidly so as to include an increasing number of both Austrian and Chinese (and now also Asian) higher education and research institutions.

With over 140 member institutions, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet has now become the largest autonomous network of a single member state of the European Union with regard to cooperation with China in the field of education, science and research. It includes 37 Austrian and 56 Chinese universities and research institutions (52 from the PRC and 4 from Taiwan).

First targeted only at China and Mongolia, the network has rapidly been opened to other Asian countries, thus evolving into a multilateral platform allowing Austrian and Asian universities to network among each others.

This rapid expansion has been the result of the network's attractiveness both to Austrian universities and Asian higher education institutions. The first ones saw in Uninet an efficient tool to pool resources and reach a "critical mass" to become visible and more dynamic on the international scene, allowing them to effectively establish contacts with Chinese universities which they would have otherwise maybe not been able to reach, be it because of their high degree of solicitation for the most prestigious ones such as Peking University or Hong Kong University, or because of their own relative lack of visibility for the less known ones in more remote Chinese provinces.

The Chinese universities in return, saw in Eurasia-Pacific Uninet a clear and convenient gateway to engage in cooperation with Austrian higher education and research. The network including almost all Austrian higher education and research institutions, prospective partners can access the whole Austrian research potential through a unique counter. Given the usual diversity and complexity of the research structure in Europe, this rare unified approach adopted by Austrian institutions certainly appears as a strong incentive for Chinese institutions to engage in cooperation with Austrian partners.

Main activities of the network

Strongly supported by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research (BMWF) and the Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research (OeAD-GmbH) since its launch 10 years ago, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet aims at establishing contacts and scientific partnerships between Austrian universities and other research institutions and member institutions in East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and the Pacific Region. The network promotes multilateral scientific cooperation, joint research projects, conferences, faculty and student exchange.

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet launched its scholarship programme in 2003. Funded by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research, this programme includes several different schemes: Ph. D. and Post-Docs scholarships for scientific research in Austria, on-place scholarships in China or Mongolia (for example for Chinese students with low financial means to carry out studies in a Chinese university), short term incoming and outgoing professorships, for Austrian scientists to carry out short-term research and teaching activities at member institutions in the target countries and for scientists from the target countries to carry out short-term research and teaching activities in Austria. These short-term missions are usually expected to help the launch of new collaborations.

In 2009, 58 research scholarships for Ph.D. students and Post-Docs and 190 on-place scholarships (of 2000 RMB each) were awarded to Chinese students and young researchers. Applications are submitted by candidates to the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet coordinator or foreign affairs office of the home institution. The final selection of Ph.D. and Post-Doc scholarship-holders is made through interviews conducted by a joint committee of Austrian professors and scientists from Uninet's Austrian member institutions.

Besides its scholarship programme, Uninet also initiates and supports joint scientific projects and training courses on specific subjects. These projects sometimes involve the mutual recognition of degrees and the development of double-degree programmes, resulting in the creation of a relatively large number of joint Austrian-Chinese research centres or education institutions such as the Sino-Austrian Biomarker Research Center located at the Peking University, the Austria-China Research Center for Environmental Protection at the Northwest University of Agriculture and Forestry, the Austria-China Research Center on Tunnel and Underground Engineering at the Shanghai Tongji University, the China-Austria Research and Innovation Center in Logistics, Information Flow, Supply Chain Management and Material Flow at Beijing Jiaotong University or the Austrian-Chinese Music University at the China Conservatory in Beijing to name just a few.

These research centers are intended as an open platform for interaction and joint research of Austrian and Chinese scientists of various universities each from the two countries. All Chinese-Austrian research centres feature network offices which are available to Austrian scientists during research visits in China. Launched through a collective decision of all Uninet members, these centres are meant to offer a collective service rather than to benefit only two institutions collaborating in a closed partnership.

Structure and operation of the network

While the advantages of a coordinated and unified approach in organizing and developing its international cooperation appear to be quite obvious, a key-question is how Austrian higher education institutions manage to cooperate and coordinate their activities within the Uninet network.

Every Austrian member appoints a professor who will act as „institutional coordinator“ and be in charge of collecting the projects planned by his or her institution to discuss them in a standardized format during one of the Uninet meetings held around 4 times every year. The projects (which can, but do not have to, involve the creation of a joint centre) to be financially supported on the Uninet budget provided by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Science and Research are voted during the January session of these annual meetings. Priority is given to projects involving institutions in at least two different Asian countries. Each member institution has one vote. The budget dedicated to the support of projects is distinct from the budget dedicated to the scholarship programme.

Besides the 4 annual meetings of all Austrian members of the network, a plenary meeting of all members of Uninet, Austrian and Asian, is organized every 3 years. The last one took place in Nanjing last October 2010. The membership fees of the Uninet network is 800 euro for Austrian members and 400 euro for Asian members and are mainly used to finance travel costs for experts from members institutions participating in the network's conferences and other activities.

The operation of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet is carried out by a permanent team based both in Austria and in China. Professor Doctor Brigitte Winklehner is the founder and current president of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. She is assisted by a team of permanent staff based at the University of Salzburg, the historical birthplace of Uninet. Two Uninet offices have been set up so far in China, the first and main one being hosted at the Austrian Center of Fudan University, the second and more recent one at Peking University Health Science Center.

From an administrative operation point of view, since the transformation of the former Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD), an association of the Austrian higher education institutions in charge of administering support schemes for student and staff mobility, into the OeAD GmbH (Ltd.), an organization completely owned by the Federal government, in 2009, Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's administrative unit has been integrated into this new body. This evolution is meant to provide enhanced and simplified administrative support to the network but doesn't affect its autonomous status.

Conclusions

The development of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet network over the past 10 years leading to the largest university network between Europe and Asia has been a truly remarkable feat, successfully linking Austria's higher education and research institutions to the important partners that have emerged in China and other Asian countries.

Several elements seem to explain this success. First, the willingness and ability of Austrian universities to join a unified network under the leadership of an experienced and charismatic president and to pool resources and share interests through collective decision-making procedures, allowing them to reach a critical mass necessary to become visible and attractive in the increasingly competitive market that international higher education and research cooperation has become.

Second, the strong and stable financial and administrative support of the Austrian authorities, which have recognized the relevance of Uninet and decided to support it as the main Austrian tool for research cooperation in Asia, while preserving Eurasia-Pacific Uninet's autonomy, allowing the network to evolve and develop based on the scientific and educational considerations and expertise of its members.

In this matter like in any others, miracle remedies are hard to come across and the particular experience of Eurasia Uninet Pacific which proved successful in the relatively small and homogenous Austria could certainly not be simply transferred onto another country or body of countries with different characteristics and bring similar results. However, as an integrated European Research Area is a priority of the EU but still needs to increase its visibility in China and other strategic countries, the experiences and successes of member states in pursuing the same goal at their national level, and in particular the experience of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, might be worth taking into account as a possible source of inspiration.

In Professor and Eurasia Pacific Uninet's president Brigitte Winklehner's own words: *„The expansion of Eurasia Pacific Uninet to other European partner institutions or to build upon this experience at the European level is a possibility definitely worth exploring. Europe needs more unity to face today's world challenges and it is up to everyone in one's own field of activity to contribute to this goal“.*

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Sino–Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases – MoU

Memorandum of Understanding

Nanjing First Hospital, the Third Affiliated Hospital of Nanjing Medical University,
Nanjing, China

Medical University of Vienna and Vienna General Hospital, Vienna, Austria
Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Salzburg, Austria

Nanjing First Hospital, the Third Affiliated Hospital of Nanjing Medical University, Nanjing, China, represented by the President Prof. Huaining Pan, Medical University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria, represented by Vice-Rector Prof. Rudolf Mallinger and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, Salzburg, Austria, represented by President Prof. Brigitte Winklehner reached the following agreements by mutual consultations and negotiations:

1. In order to strengthen the cooperation in the field of the cardiovascular diseases, the partners agree to cooperate in running a Sino-Austrian Diagnosis, Treatment and Research Center of Cardiovascular Diseases to be established in the location of the Nanjing First Hospital.
2. Both sides agree to organize jointly refresher training by sending outstanding doctors from either Nanjing or Vienna to the other side.
3. All partners will promote under their own rules and regulations the exchange of members of their academic staff and graduate students researchers for a period from several days to several months.
4. Medical University of Vienna and Nanjing First Hospital will organize international academic conferences and training course for the diagnosis, treatment and research of cardiovascular diseases, as well as promote further cooperation and exchanges in scientific research, clinical medical technology, and technology investment.

5. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet will assist in forming coalitions of resources for academic activities between all cooperating partners such as joint workshops, conferences and short term guest professorships and will supply logistic and organizational support.
6. Scholarships will be provided according to the national guidelines and financial possibilities from both sides.
7. Additional financial support will be sought from regional as well as international agencies and organizations and from the private sector according to available project lines.
8. All partners will consult on a regular base. They will conduct regular evaluations on the mutual scientific progress achieved. Future plans will be developed by mutual agreement.
9. In order to carry out the above –mentioned activities, a detailed plan may be formed after consultation between the partners.
10. This agreement may be revised or terminated upon mutual consultation and consent between the partners. This agreement is for the period of three years, to continue thereafter unless either party gives three months' notice of termination.

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Handwritten signatures and official stamps are present on the right side of the document. The stamps include a red circular seal of the Nanjing Municipal Government, a blue circular seal of the Medical University of Vienna, and a blue circular seal of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

Nanjing, 14-6-2010

Avicenna Tajik State Medical University – Letter

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Dear Professor Dr. Winklehner,

Avicenna Tajik State Medical University expresses gratitude to you for your contributions in the development of the mutual and fruitful relationship and promotion and support of effective collaboration within "Eurasia-Pacific Uninet" Network.

We are pleased to note that thank to your support and facilitation Avicenna Tajik State Medical University (TSMU) is actively working in order to develop and strengthen cooperation between academic institutions in staff and student exchange, teaching, research and scientific activities.

It was established a sustainable relationship between our University and Xinjiang Medical University (XMU) and the Association Agreement between our Universities has been signed as a result of visit of the group of leaders of XMU in December 2010. According this Agreement the group of our specialists will visit Xinjiang Medical University for the Course of improvement qualifications in May-June 2011 and we intend to organize a summer school for TSMU students at their respected University in August, 2011. At the same time, the delegation from Xinjiang Medical University will visit our University in the coming days with the purpose of discussing of proposal of Traditional Chinese Medicine Center's organization in our University. It is important that 4 of our scientists will participate at the Conference on Traditional Medicine in Xinjiang Medical University on May 26-27 in Urumqi by UNINET supporting.

It should be mentioned that 2 of our students had an opportunity to participate in the All-Russian Scientific Conference of Young Researchers in St. Petersburg by the invitation of Prof. Churilov. At the end of May we are waiting for the visit of Prof. Mohl and Prof. Wenzel from Medical University of Vienna with the purpose to analyze cardiovascular therapeutics in prevention, medical, interventional and cardiosurgical perspective; to strengthen already available structures, to enhance relationships and to discuss future options.

At the same time we would like to strengthen our relationship with the Austrian Medical Universities. We are highly interested to develop cooperation between our Universities in the field of academicians and students exchange programs, promote scientific, cultural and human relationships, organize joint projects in the field of science, education and culture, etc. For example, it would be a good start if a group of our students will have an opportunity to attend some course or summer school in Austria so that we could establish an exchange program for the students.

The Avicenna Tajik State Medical University expresses its interest in organization and participation in international cooperation programs aimed at improving the quality of educational programs, developing effective partnerships with medical institutions, universities, research centers abroad.

We hope for further strengthening of our long-term cooperation and are confident that this cooperation will prove fruitful to our mutual goals.


Taking this opportunity let me invite you to visit Tajikistan and Avicenna Tajik State Medical University in any time convenient to you.

We are looking forward good collaboration and hope to further strengthening of our long-term cooperation with you personally and "Eurasia-Pacific Uninet" Network.

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