

**Statement of Cooperation
between Fudan University Shanghai
and the Federal Ministry for Education,
Science and Culture of the Republic of Austria
concerning cooperation in science and research**

In recognition of the excellent and long-standing cooperation based on mutual trust and benefit between Fudan University Shanghai, Peoples Republic of China and the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, hereinafter referred to as "sides", hereby announce their intention to engage in future cooperation as follows:

Article 1

Both sides welcome and encourage the manifold cooperation activities between Fudan University Shanghai and the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet including all its partner institutions.

Article 2

To this respect both sides welcome the establishment of the Austrian Center at Fudan University as a platform for the exchange and cooperation between Eurasia-Pacific Uninet and all its partner institutions in all fields of studies and scientific cooperation through joint activities such as exchange programs, visiting professorships, seminars, workshops and conferences.

Article 3

The Austrian Center will promote mutual understanding between China and Austria and will be governed by a board, which will be responsible for the approval of the annual program and the annual report.

The Austrian Minister of Education, Science and Culture and the President of Fudan University will act as Honorary Chairpersons of this board. Both sides will each nominate three board members.

The Austrian Center will be headed by a permanent contact person nominated and financed by the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet.

The center is hosted by Fudan University, Fudan University therefore provides adequate office space and working facilities free of charge.

Article 4

Both sides take note of the positive development of the mobility of students, professors and scientists funded by the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet. They welcome the successful bilateral cooperation between Fudan University and Eurasia-Pacific Uninet as well as all its partner institutions. They also welcome their joint activities including conferences, workshops, visiting professorships, scholarships, summer school programs as well as the establishment of an Austrian lectureship at Fudan University.

Article 5

Both sides welcome and endorse the development of joint curricula and double degree programs.

Article 6

Both sides welcome and endorse the cooperation between Fudan University and selected partner institutions of the Eurasia-Pacific Uninet in the framework of the "Sino-Austrian Center for Media and Marketing" and "Joint degree in Media and Marketing" aimed at the development of a joint study program recognized by all participating Universities.

Article 7

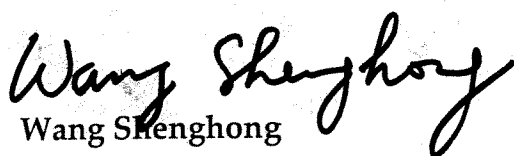
Both sides encourage the Austrian scientific community and all partner institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, to cooperate in the framework of networks in higher education and research as well as in EU programs in higher education and research and to fully make use of existing instruments for bilateral and international cooperation.

Article 8

The present statement of cooperation shall take effect upon the date of signing.

The present statement of cooperation does not result in the creation of any new obligations regarding international law nor shall it have any effect on existing legislation.

Signed on 23.09.2005 in Shanghai



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