

CIDRN Annual Report 2013-2014



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Introduction

This past year has been the start-up year for the China International Development Research Network (CIDRN). Looking back, much has been put in place since the first meeting of the Network in July 2013, attended by all of the initial 24 members and by members of the International Advisory Committee (IAC).

We can certainly say that the CIDRN now exists, one year later, as a very active circle of people, research and policy discussion, with the circle growing wider through the year – two further members joined (Institute of European Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and School of Public Policy and Management of Tsinghua University) and there were multiplying interactions with the adjoining circles of our members. And the management structures and the hosting and financial arrangements are now all fully functioning.

The major achievements of the start-up year are detailed in the records contained in this first Annual Report. Here are some highlights:

A research programme has been put in place, with 9 research grants awarded (selected from 17 applications). This has involved setting up the processes for calls for proposals, together with selection criteria and approvals, via initial review by the Management Group, then International Advisory Committee project assessments, and final approval by the Strategic Oversight Committee (CAU, MofCom and DFID). Research projects now being financed include: the organization of China's aid; China's positioning in the UN post 2015 development strategy negotiations; China's interaction with African development; and the effectiveness of China's support for agricultural development in Africa.

Twelve CIDRN Public Events have been held, in different locations, including presentations by several members of the International Advisory Committee and an address by the UK Secretary of State Justin Greening.

A website is up and running with a basic home page describing the objective and processes of the CIDRN, and interaction with members and the wider public.

Newsletters communicate current and planned activities of the Network and of individual members of the Network.

A set of Policy Briefs by senior members of the CIDRN is being launched.

The IAC has benefited greatly from two field trips organized and led by Prof. Li Xiaoyun and his team; the first to observe village resettlement and large scale irrigation in Ningxia and the second, in 2014, to witness and learn from the industrialization process in Zhejiang Province engaging farmers in dynamic processes of rural-urban cluster development based around small products and networking with global reach, transforming a poor farming province into a prosperous workshop for the world. These field visits are proving immensely valuable in helping the IAC in its guidance role and promoting the work of the CIDRN internationally.

At the September 2014 Annual Meeting, researchers will describe and discuss their progress to date, with the full membership of the CIDRN present, together with the International Advisory Committee. A keynote address will be delivered by Prof. Hu Angang on the topic of "China and the World: from the chaser of modernization to the contributor of human development (1980-2013)".

The Annual Meeting will also set the scene for a second call for proposals, drawing on experience to date, with additional guidance on the preparation of proposals and further refinement of the assessment process conducted by the International Advisory Committee. By next year there will be a growing number of final outputs to be published and policy briefs to be prepared.

As Chairman of the International Advisory Committee in this first year I would like to thank my fellow members for their contributions, and to pay tribute to all those involved in the successful launch of the CIDRN under its Chair Prof. Li Xiaoyun and its co-Chairs Prof. Li Anshan and Dr. Zhou Hong, including the hosting role of the Research Centre on International Development at the China Agricultural University, under its Director, Prof. Wang Yihuan, the financial contributions from DFID, the support of the Ministry of Commerce of China, and especially, the active participation of the 26 member institutions of the CIDRN and all those who submitted research proposals.

Richard Carey
Chair, International Advisory Committee of CIDRN
September 2014

1 CIDRNHistorical Profile

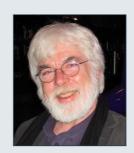
Date	Activities	Organizer/s
July 31, 2013	Kick-off Workshop	CIDRN
September 13, 2013	IPRCC Seminar Series - Frontiers in Development Studies themed A New Global Partnership in Post-2015	International Poverty Reduction Center in China (IPRCC)
September 24, 2013	International Conference on Governance and Development Experience of China and African Countries	Institute of International Strategy Studies, Party School of CPC
October 21-22, 2013	The 3rd Meeting of the China-Africa Think Tanks Forum and Launching Ceremony of the China-Africa Think Tanks 10+10 Partnership Plan	Institute of West Asian and African Studies of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS) and the China Institute of Contemporary International Relations
November 21, 2013	International Development Seminar on Global Food Security and Agricultural Development in Africa	University of International Business and Economics (UIBE)
November 28- 29, 2013	Conference on "Drivers for a New Global Partnership? – The Role of BRICS in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (Shanghai)	SIIS
December 2, 2013	International Seminar on Comparative Study of Foreign Aid Regulatory System	Rural Development Institute of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the Asia Foundation
January 24, 2014	Seminar on Poverty Reduction in International Development Cooperation	CAU and IPRCC
April 16, 2014	Focus Session 21 of the First High-Level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation themed South-South Cooperation and the Post-2015 Agenda for Global Development: Innovative Modalities and Institutional Evolution (Mexico City)	CIDRN with think tanks from Mexico, India, South Africa and Germany
March 17-18, 2014	The Sixth Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) and the Post 2015 Development Agenda (Shanghai)	SIIS with Centre for Chinese Studies of Stellenbosch University and Saferworld
May 17, 2014	China SDSN (Sustainable Development Solutions Network) Meeting	School of Public Policy and Management (SPPM), Tsinghua University
June 5, 2014	Workshop on "Debate and Cooperation on the Post 2015 Development Agenda between China and Germany/EU" (Shanghai)	SIIS with German Development Institute (DIE)
June 27, 2014	Seminar on "Transformation in Middle Income Countries and Future Multilateral Development Cooperation" (Shanghai)	SIIS and World Bank

2 CIDRNPublic Event Series

No.	Date	Speaker	Topic
1 st	Feb.5, 2013	Prof. Dr. Helmut Reisen , ShiftingWealth Berlin, Basel University	China's Global Development Impact
2 nd	May 7, 2013	Mr. Naohiro KITANO , JICA Research Institute, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)	Japan, China and Korea: Experiences and Lessons in Foreign Aid
3 rd	May 24, 2013	Prof. James Putzel, London School of Economics and Member of CIDRN International Advisory Comittee	Why Understanding State Fragility is Important to China's New Role in the World
4 th	June 6, 2013	Prof. Eun Mee Kim , Dean of Graduate School of International Studies and Director of Institute for Development and Human Security, Ewha Womans University	Beyond Busan: From Aid to Development Effectiveness and South Korea's Challenges as an Emerging Donor
5 th	July 3, 2013	Dr. Alex Shankland, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies (IDS) University of Sussex	Rising Powers in International Development Arena
6 th	July 31, 2013	Ms. Amina J. Mohammed , Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning to the United Nations Secretary General Ban Kimoon	Challenges to Post 2015 Development Agenda
7 th	October 10, 2013	Mr. Richard Carey, Former Director OECD Development Cooperation Directorate and Chair of CIDRN International Advisory Committee	The Contribution of ODA to the MDGs and the Role of China in Shaping the Post 2015 Development Strategy
8 th	November 14, 2013	Mr. James Ferguson , Susan S. and William H. Hindle Professor of Anthropology at Stanford University	A Rightful Share: Claiming Ownership of Natural Resources in the New Politics of Distribution
9 th	April 2, 2014	Rt Hon Justine Greening MP, the UK Secretary of State for International Development	The Future of International Development
10 th	April 30, 2014	Dr. Alex Thier , USAID's Assistant Administrator for Policy, Planning, and Learning (PPL)	Effective Cooperation in Global Development
11 th	May 19, 2014	Prof. Tim Allen , Head of the Department of International Development, London School of Economics (LSE)	Will Controlling Africa's Neglected Tropical Diseases Make Poverty History?
12 th	June 3, 2014	Dr. Melissa Leach , Director of the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) at the University of Sussex	Constructing Sustainable and Socially-Just Development Pathways: Interdisciplinary Science in Action





















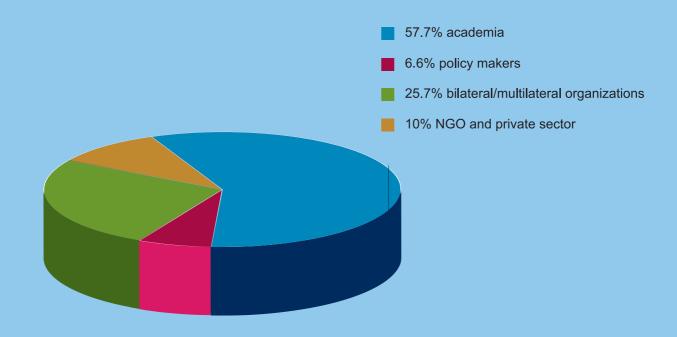




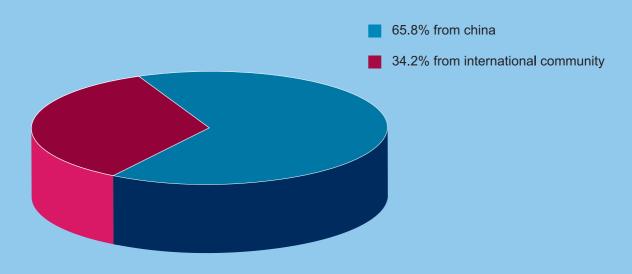
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Where are our participants from?



The number of participants in 12 public events totaled 766



3 CIDRNFirst Research Grants

Nine research proposals have been finally approved to be supported by CIDRN during the period 2014-2015 with research grants ranging from RMB 50,000 to RMB 200,000.

A Glance of Granted Research Proposals

No	Name and Institution	Research Topic	Months	Method	Funding (RMB)
1	ZHANG Chun, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS)	Building New Global Partnership: Emerging Powers in Post-2015 International Development Agenda	24	Field Study	200,000
2	ZHOU Hong, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS)	The Management of Chinese Aid: responding to the changing world	16	Field Study	200,000
3	ZHENG Yanxia, Xiamen University	Poverty Reduction Effect of Chinese FDI to Africa	8	Field Study	50,000
4	HUANG Meibo, Xiamen University	The Theoretical and Practical Implications of China's Experience in Development and Poverty Reduction on Low-income Countries From the Perspective of New Development Economics	12	Field Work and Case Study	200,000
5	XU Jin, International Poverty Reduction Centre in China (IPRCC)	China's Public Views on Its Foreign Assistance	12	Sample Survey	50,000
6	LU Jixia, China Agricultural University (CAU)	Research on the life world of the Chinese Aidman in Africa Agriculture	24	Field Study	100,000
7	TANG Lixia, China Agricultural University (CAU)	Public Goods or Business OpportunitiesEthnographic Studies on China Agricultural Technology Demonstration Centers in Africa	24	Field Study	200,000
8	XU Xiuli, China Agricultural University (CAU)	Chinese State-owned Agribusiness in Tanzania: The mechanisms of people diplomacy for local development	24	Field Study	200,000
9	ZHOU Shengkun, China Agricultural University (CAU)	How relevant is China's experience to Tanzania agriculture and poverty reduction? - A case study from Kilosa, Morogoro, Tanzania	12	Case Study	70,000

4 Events Joined by CIDRN Members (For selected events)

Date	Event & Venue	Role/ Topic
August 2, 2013 Workshop on "Building a Global Partnership? Development Cooperation East/West/South" at Global Cooperation Research Center		Huang Meibo: Triangular Cooperation: A Feasible Path to Promote Global Partnership for Development
August 26, 2013	German Agro Action/Deutsche Welthungerhilfe e.V. headquarter	Huang Meibo & Yao Shuai: China's Foreign Aid and Its Role in International Aid Architecture
September 27, 2013	Seminar on Promoting Development - China and the OECD Sharing Views at the OECD Paris	Wang Xiaolin: China-DAC Study Group Li Xiaoyun: the study of Tanzania and Zimbabwe as a joint learning process on development cooperation to promote agriculture in Africa.
November 18-19, 2013	Busan Global Partnership Workshop on Implementing Strategies for Effective Development Cooperation at Country Level in Seoul	Li Xiaoyun: south-south and triangular cooperation in context of the post-2015 agenda as well as the global partnership
December 23, 2013	Workshop on China's Global Health Strategy by The National Health and Family Planning Commission	Li Xiaoyun: Trends of International Development Aid
January 15, 2014	Seminar by the Department of International Trade and Economic Affairs, Ministry of Commerce	Li Xiaoyun, Tang Lixia, Mao Xiaojing, Xiong Hou: the trends of international development cooperation and China's cooperation strategy with OECD-DAC
February 17-20, 2014	International Workshop on Voice of China in Africa by Economic and Social Institute of Mozambique and CHR. MICHELSEN Institute of Norway in Maputo	Li Anshan: A Critique to "Soft Power" and the Role of Media
March 4-5, 2014	The Seventh Meeting of National Focal Points for Policy Coherence for Development, entitled "Policy Coherence for Development in a Post-2015 Era: How can PCD help advance universal goals and contribute to transformational change?" at OECD Paris	Ye Jiang: China's Perspectives on the Post-2015 Agenda
March 13-16, 2014	Series of presentations at American University in Cairo and Cairo University	Li Anshan: the Development Paths of China and Egypt, the Prospect of China- Egypt Relations and China's African Policies
March 18-19, 2014	The Sixth BRICS Academia Forum held in Rio Janeiro, Brazil	Zhang Haibing: discussant on inclusiveness and sustainable development

April 24-25, 2014	UN Special Consultation Meeting in New York	Zhang Chun: how to take stable and peaceful society into the Post 2015 Development Agenda
April 26, 2014	Financing Innovation and Development in Africa by the Institute for African Development of Cornell University and the African Development Bank	Li Xiaoyun: luncheon presentation
May 15-17, 2014	International conference Africa in the Global South: Moving Biography and Hope of Success by the Goethe University in Frankfurt	Li Anshan: Bilateral Migration between China and Africa
June 4, 2014	The Third African Studies Academic Week by Minzu University of China	Xu Xiuli: China-Africa Agricultural Cooperation: A Perspective from International Development
June 9-10, 2014	Oxford University China Africa Network in Oxford	Richard Carey: discussant
June 19, 2014	The second Meeting of the Scientific Committee of Volume IX of the General History of Africa	Li Anshan: vice chairman
June 19-20, 2014	The Conference on "International Development and Cooperation: Trends and Emerging Opportunities Perspectives of the New Actors" by the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency and UNDP in Istanbul, Turkey	He Wenping: Beyond Aid and the Future of South-South Cooperation Liu Haifang: Development Cooperation with the Least Developed Countries
June 22-24, 2014	Expert seminar on "Addressing transnational threats – building a common agenda" by Saferworld and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Holland in Hague	Ye Jiang: Trends in Global Governance and Challenges for Multilateral Cooperation
June 7, 2014	The biannual meeting of the UK International Development Institute on Rising Powers in International Development Advisory Council, and IDS Live-streaming Seminar launching the new IDS Bulletin "China and International Development: Challenges and Opportunities"	Li Xiaoyun and Richard Carey: members of the advisory council and keynote presenters
July 22, 2014	Workshop on "Japan and the Developing World: Sixty Years of Japan's Foreign Aid and the Post 2015 Agenda" by JICA Institute in Hokkaido, Sapporo	Huang Meibo: The Process of Japanese Integration into the International Aid System and Its Implications for China
August 13-14, 2014	Workshop on "India and the post-2015 development agenda" by ORF and Saferworld in New Delhi	Ye Jiang: Achievements and Lessons of MDGs & The Debate about Post 2015 Framework and China's Role in Post-2015 Agenda



Contribution to two issues of IDS Bulletin





China and Brazil in African Agriculture

(IDS Bulletin 44.4, Editors: Ian Scoones, Lídia Cabral and Henry Tugendhat)

This *IDS Bulletin* examines Brazilian and Chinese agricultural development cooperation in Africa focusing on different financial modalities, practices and politics of engagement, the 'encounters' that occur during negotiations, and the intersection of widerframing discourses with practices on the ground. CIDRN members contribute to the chapters on:

What can Africa Learn from China's Experience in Agricultural Development? - Li Xiaoyun, Tang Lixia, Xu Xiuli, Qi Gubo and Wang Haimin

Brazil and China in Mozambican Agriculture: Emerging Insights from the Field - Sérgio Chichava, Jimena Duran, Lídia Cabral, Alex Shankland, Lila Buckley, Tang Lixia and Zhang Yue

China and International Development: Challenges and Opportunities

(IDS Bulletin 45.4, Editors: Gu Jing, Zhang Xiulan, Gerry Bloom and Li Xiaoyun)

This IDS Bulletin focuses on China's development strategy and its own development experience, its increasing involvement in development activities in low- and middle-income countries, as well as its collaboration with OECD-DAC members in international development, and its growing engagement in global governance structures. CIDRN members contribute to the chapters on:

Introduction – China and International Development: Challenges and Opportunities - Jing Gu, Xiulan Zhang, Xiaoyun Li and Gerry Bloom

China's Role in the Rising of the South: Vision for 2030 - Hu Angang, Gao Yuning, Yan Yilong and Wei Xing

Difference or Indifference: China's Development Assistance Unpacked - Li Xiaoyun, Dan Banik, Tang Lixia and Wu Jin

China's Development Finance: What Issues for Reporting and Monitoring Systems? - Jiajun Xu and Richard Carey

Business Borderlands: China's Overseas State Agribusiness - Xu Xiuli, Qi Gubo and Li Xiaoyun

China's Foreign Aid Policy and Architecture: Strengths and Weaknesses - Xue Lan and Chen Yunnan

		COUR CALL
	China's Progress toward the Millennium Development Goals 2013 Report	COHD, CAU team
	International Development Assistance of OECD-DAC Members, Beijing: World Knowledge Publishing House	Li Xiaoyun, Wang Yihuan, Tang Lixia (eds)
	International Development Assistance of Non-OECD/DAC Countries, Beijing: World Knowledge Publishing House	Li Xiaoyun, Xu Xiuli, Wang Yihuan (eds)
	"What can Africa learn from China's agricultural miracle?", in OECD, <i>Development Cooperation Report 2013: Ending Poverty,</i> OECD publishing	Li Xiaoyun
2013	Chinese Foreign Aid and Its International Responsibility Strategy, Beijing: China Social Sciences Press	Liu Hongwu and Huang Meibo (eds)
	Annual Review of African Studies in China (2012), Beijing: Social Sciences Academic Press (China)	Li Anshan and Liu Haifang (eds)
	'Foreign Aid Agencies: Types and International Trends', $\it International\ Economic\ Cooperation,$ Issue 12, 2013	Huang Meibo, Wei Xiaohui
	'South Africa's Foreign Aid Management System in the New Era', <i>International Economic Cooperation,</i> Issue 11, 2013	Huang Meibo, Li Zixuan
	'Global Production Networks and Chinese FDI to Africa', $\it International\ Economic\ Cooperation,$ Issue 11, 2013	Huang Meibo, Zheng Yanxia
	'South-South Cooperation - Policy and Practice by the Export Import Bank of China', IOSR Journal of Economics and Finance (IOSR-JEF) Volume 3, Issue 1. Ver. I, 2014	Tariqul Islam, Li Xiaoyun
	'China in Africa: Devil or Angel? ', <i>Pambazuka News</i> , February 19th, 2014. http://pambazuka.org/en/category/features/90638	Zhang Xiaomin, Luo Jianbo
	'联合国 2013 年人类发展报告对中国对外援助的启示', Contemporary World and Socialism, Issue 2, 2014	Zhang Xiaomin
	'Rising Powers in International Development: The BRICS and the International Development System: Challenge and Convergence?', IDS Evidence Report 58, March 2014.	Li Xiaoyun and Richard Carey
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	'China's foreign aid: How big is it and what is its aim? Pambazuka News, Issue 690, August 6th, 2014. http://pambazuka.org/en/category/features/92733	Zhang Xiaomin, Luo Jianbo
	'Think Tanks on International Development: International Experiences and China's Status Quo', Current Issues on International Development, No. 11, 2014 (1), RCID, CAU, July 2014	Xu Xiuli, Li Xiaoyun and Wang Yihuan
2014	'Different Paths but a Common Goal: China's Development Assistance and International Development Effectiveness', Current Issues on International Development, No. 12, 2014 (2), RCID, CAU, July 2014	Li Xiaoyun, Tang Lixia and Wu Jin
	'Historical Review of International Development Aid System', Current Issues on International Development, No. 12, 2014 (2), RCID, CAU, July 2014	Tang Lixia, Xu Xiuli and Li Xiaoyun
	'The Evolution of China's Agricultural Aid Management in Africa', Bulletin of African Studies, No. 6, RCID, CAU, July 2014	Tang Lixia, Xiaoyun and Qi Gubo
	$\mbox{\sc 'Li}$ Keqiang Goes to Addis: China-Africa Cooperation and the Modernisation of a Continent'. IDS Blog. June 2014	Li Xiaoyun and Richard Carey
	'Analysis of Trade Structure and Comparative Advantages of Manufactured Goods Exported to Africa from China', International Economic Cooperation, Issue 5, 2014	Huang Meibo, Zheng Yanxia
	'英国对外援助法律规制研究', International Economic Cooperation, Issue 5, 2014	Zhang Xiaomin, Sun Tongquan
	'Prospect of Africa's Infrastructure Construction and the Role of China', International Economic Cooperation, Issue 6, 2014	Zheng Yanxia, Huang Meibo
	'中国在非洲能力建设中的作用', Contemporary World, Issue 6, 2014	Zhang Xiaomin
	'Discussion on the International Obligation of China's Foreign Aid from Perspective of GNI Per Capita', International Economic Cooperation, Issue 6, 2014	Huang Meibo, Xiong Qinglong
	'The Post 2015 Development Agenda: What is the G20's Role', Contemporary International Relations, Issue 7, 2014 $$	Zhang Haibing

6 Portraits of CIDRN Members



7 CIDRN Dissemination











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8 Annual Financial Status

No.	Activity	Budget (GBP)	Budget (GBP) (2013.07-2014.06)	Expense (GBP) (2013.07-2014.06)	Installment (1+2)
1	Research				
1.1	Annual Conference	111,870	37,290	28,168.76	28,168.76
1.2	Field Visit	39,600	0	0	0
1.3	Public Events	79,800	26,000	15,282.24	3,134.48
1.4	Network Regular Meetings (MG)	25,800	8,600	468.97	468.97
1.5	Research grant	300,000	100,000	72,000	0
1.6	Research Project Assessment and Evaluation	20,250	6,750	6,750	0
sub-tot	al	577,320	178,640	122,669.97	31,772.21
2	Dissemination				
2.1	Publications	90,000	30,000	0	0
2.2	Website design and maintenance and other publicized materials	8,000	2,667	2,545.34	1,213.34
sub-tot	al	98,000	32,667	2,545.34	1,213.34
3	Monitoring and Evaluation	21,000	7,000	0	0
sub-tot	al	21,000	7,000	0	0
4	4 Coordination		29,000	27,453.01	15,773.51
sub-total		87,000	29,000	27,453.01	15,773.51
5	Literature Review	5,000	0	0	0
sub-tot	sub-total		0	0	0
6	University Overhead (5%)	39,416	12,365	7,633	2,437.95
Total		827,736	259,672	160,301.74	51197.01

The China International Development Research Network (CIDRN)

CIDRN is an informal learning and exchange platform to boost high quality policy and theoretical researches by Chinese researchers on China's role in international development and its engagement with other developing countries. The UK Department for International Development (DFID) supports the Network with a 3-year grant under the China-UK bilateral cooperation framework. The Network is hosted by the China Agricultural University in its Research Center for International Development which provides administrative resources and systems.



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