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CIDRN News

Members of CIDRN IAC hold meeting in London to assess research proposals

A "London Group" of four members (Richard Carey, James Putzel, John Taylor and David Mosse) of the CIDRN International Advisory Committee (IAC) met on 30 January 2015 at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), to assess research proposals submitted under the CIDRN's 2nd Call for Proposals.

CIDRN holds its SOC meeting in Beijing

On **19 March 2015**, a Meeting of CIDRN's Strategic Oversight Committee (SOC) was held in Beijing, attended by colleagues from CAU, MOFCOM and DFID. The 2nd Research Grant proposals and the assessments from the IAC London Group were reviewed. Issues on budget and management were also discussed.

Public Event Series



The 16th Public Event was held on **12 January 2015**. Mr. **Mark Lowcock**, Permanent Secretary for the UK Department for International Development (DFID) delivered a lecture on **A Post MDG World and the Beyond Aid Agenda**. The event was supported by GIZ and moderated by Research Prof. **XU Weizhong**, Executive Director of the Institute of African Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR).

Activities of CIDRN Members



On **28 January 2015**, the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS) organized a discussion workshop on **China's role in the Post 2015 Development Agenda** in Shanghai. CIDRN colleagues (**Ye Jiang**, **Ye Yu**, **Zhang Chun**, **Li Linyi** and **Yao Shuai**) joined the discussion on the draft research paper prepared by SIIS.

From 3 to 5 March 2015, invited by UNDP, Huang Meibo and Mao Xiaojing from CAITEC attended the Technical Workshop for Developing a Framework for South-South Development Cooperation, organized by the Network of Southern Think-Tanks (NeST) in Johannesburg, South Africa. Scholars from South think tanks and universities joined the Multi-stakeholder Policy Dialogue. Huang and Mao, as Chinese representatives of NeST, talked about China's stand in South-south Cooperation and quality evaluation of South-South development cooperation.



On 21 March 2015, Prof. Li Xiaoyun was invited to act as a panelist in an in-depth dialogue session on the Economic Summit of the China Development Forum 2015 at Beijing's Diaoyutai State Guesthouse. The discussions focused on the post 2015 Development Agenda and how China could play its unique role in that UN initiative.



Activities of CIDRN Members

On 28 March 2015, He Wenping was invited to participate in the Third Africa-China Young Leaders Forum, held in Arusha, Tanzania. The main objective of the forum is to create a platform for regular interaction and cooperation between young people of the African continent and China to promote synergies between friendship, cooperation and development.

The Chair of the CIDRN International Advisory Committee, Richard Carey, spoke at a Symposium in Washington DC on 23 January 2015 on South South Cooperation and Prospects for Africa's Development, organized by the Partnership to Cut Hunger and Poverty in Africa. With a particular focus on infrastructure development as an essential condition for agricultural development and the role that China and the US have been playing in this regard, other speakers included David Dollar, former Country Director of the World Bank Office in Beijing, Emmy Simmons, former Assistant Administrator of USAID and Andy Herscowitz, Coordinator of the US Power Africa Initiative.

CIDRN Policy Recommendations

Seven CIDRN Policy Recommendations both in Chinese and English were disseminated internationally, with very positive reception from a wide audience.



No.	Торіс	Author/s
1		LI Xiaoyun , Professor of development studies, College of Humanities and Development Studies, China Agricultural University (CAU); and WANG Yihuan , Professor of development studies, Director of Research Center of International Development, CAU.
2	China's cooperation with international multilateral and bilateral development aid organizations	WANG Yihuan and LI Xiaoyun
3	Experience and lessons from Western development aid	HE Wenping , Senior Research Fellow, Institute of West Asian and African Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.
4	China's propositions and recommendations on the Post-2015 agenda	MAO Xiaojing , Associate Research Fellow, Division Chief of International Cooperation, Institute of International Development Cooperation, Chinese Academy ofInternational Trade and Economic Cooperation (CAITEC).
5	The role of China's NGOs in foreign aid and international development	LI Anshan , Professor and Director of Center for African Studies, School of International Studies, Peking University and Co-Chair of CIDRN.
6	Recommendations on how to enhance and improve China's foreign aid	XU Weizhong , Research Professor and Executive Director of the Institute of African Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR); and WANG Lei , Assistant Research Professor at the Institute of African Studies, CICIR.
7	Commentary on China's second Foreign Aid White Paper	LIU Haifang , Deputy Director & Secretary General of Center for African Studies, Associate Professor of School of International Studies, Peking University.

Apaper on *Chinese A gricultural Expertise Support in Ethiopia: Approaches, Motives and Perspectives* (Future Agricultures Working Paper 114, by DawitAlemu, Seth Cook and **Qi Gubo**) was released in February 2015, as part of the project on China and Brazil in African Agriculture.



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