

## Participating Organizations in 2013

**Green Watershed (Yunnan) and BothENDS (Netherlands)** will focus on the effectiveness of Green Credit policies and how they might be improved. They aim at providing civil society organizations in China and Europe with an understanding of the different policies' implications for their development project monitoring.

**The Yunnan Environmental Development Institute (Yunnan) and the Grüne Liga (Germany)** both focus on water policies. The exchange aims at fostering a better understanding and application of holistic and sustainable solutions in the context on safe water utilization and protection.

**The Public Interest and Development Law Institute PIDLI (Hubei) and The Rights Practice (UK)** wish to understand operations and practical functioning of the others' NPO as well as concrete operations of the criminal justice system in the others' area. They also aim to use the exchange to train the participants in legal and cultural matters

**CHEE Productions (Guangdong) and Berlin Massive (Germany)** will jointly explore structures and opportunities of working in the field of cultural youth education, culture and intercultural work in their respective area.

**Hunan Aimier and Chickenshed (UK)** focus on inclusive theatre. The participants aim at improving their cooperation in providing inclusive theatre workshops in China and work on train-the-trainer programs.

**"EU-China NGO-Twinning" is a program of the Stiftung Asienhaus supported by the Robert Bosch Stiftung.**

### Stiftung Asienhaus

The Stiftung Asienhaus is committed to the implementation of human rights, the strengthening of social and political participation, as well as the protection of social justice and the environment.

The organization was founded in 1992 under the name "(German) Asia Foundation". Its founder, Prof. Dr. Günter Freudenberg, and several other associations working on Asia joined together in 1995 in Essen and founded the Asia House. In October 2012, the Asia House moved its headquarters to Cologne.

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### Robert Bosch Stiftung

The Robert Bosch Stiftung is one of the major German foundations associated with a private company. Founded in 1964 it has managed the philanthropic bequest of company founder Robert Bosch for more than 40 years.

The foundation engages in the areas of science, health, international relations, education and culture. In 2006 it established a regional focus on China and has since supported Sino-German relations in the areas of Good Governance, education, media and culture.

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## 中欧民间组织交流项目

# EU - China NGO-Twinning Program

A program of the Stiftung Asienhaus



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The EU-China NGO-Twinning program is an exchange program for the staff of European and Chinese non-governmental or non-profit organizations and think tanks.



- It aims at establishing sustainable twinning partnerships between Chinese and European civil society organizations
- In the context of the program 10 European and 10 Chinese NGOs working on similar thematic focuses will be paired up as “twinning-partners”
- The selected exchange fellows will spend 4 to 8 weeks in their partner organization in the respective other region for a work-and-study stage
- Each exchange includes preparation/ capacity building/ and thematic workshops.

## Cross-regional Civil Society Networks

The future of our world will largely depend on how the relations between Europe and China are carved out. We consider it fundamental to **involve civil society** in these important issues.

Chinese and European civil society organizations are working on similar topics and face **common global concerns**, yet there is still too little cooperation between organizations from both regions.

With the launch of this first-of-its-kind exchange program the Stiftung Asienhaus and the Robert Bosch Stiftung aim to fill a gap in this important area of social development.

## Capacity Building, mutual understanding and long term cooperation

The program fosters a better mutual understanding of civil society developments and NGO work in both regions.

Through the exchange European Civil Society Organizations will gain **first-hand information on and engagement in Chinese society**. Chinese organizations, on the other hand will get important **insights into the working methods** of experienced European NGOs.

The **personal encounter** of the NGO staff will lay the basis for future joint projects and **long-term cooperation** between the twinning partner organizations.

## Who can apply?

The program is open for NGOs or Civil Society Organizations from a wide range of thematic areas, e.g. environment protection, climate change, CSR, health governance, food safety, sustainable production or social justice.

The exchange program is conducted in **English**. Therefore participants and applying organizations should be able to communicate in English.

### Twinning partner:

It is of advantage if you can already name a suitable NGO in the respective other region who has agreed to be your organization’s exchange partner. Both organizations have to submit an application and name a person as exchange fellow. Ideally the two organizations submit a joint application and have already worked out a topic/project for the exchange to be included in the application.

On request we can assist in finding a suitable twinning organization.

**If you would like to be notified when we launch the call-for-application for 2014 please contact us at:**

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More information on the program will soon be available at:

**[www.eu-china-twinning.org](http://www.eu-china-twinning.org)**