



International Conference on Civil Society Contributions to Policy Innovation in the PR China

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the School of Contemporary Chinese Studies, University of Nottingham**

An International Conference on Civil Society Contributions to Policy Innovation in the PR China will take place **9-10 May 2012 in Beijing**. Conference languages are Chinese and English with simultaneous translation.

The conference is part of the EU-China Civil Society Dialogue Program on Participatory Public Policy (2011-13). This three year dialogue and delivery initiative is supported by the European Union and implemented by the University of Nottingham and its six consortium partners.

During this two-day event in Beijing, about **100 participants from Europe and China** will discuss how civil society actors contribute to policy innovation in the PR China. **Policy innovation** is defined as a process involving activists and civil society organisations influencing policy decisions of existing institutional actors on behalf of the collective interest.

In pairs of two a Chinese and a European keynote speaker will jointly present a previously unpublished academic paper. The paper will be published in an edited book volume in 2014, consisting of eight main public policy areas. This conference will discuss the following four public policy areas:

- Climate Change and Sustainable Consumption and Production
- Industrial Pollution and Environmental Health
- Informal Work and Migration
- Child Welfare and Left-behind Children

The papers will critically assess the role of “policy entrepreneurs” in China and Europe who either individually or collectively invest their resources in pushing pet proposals or problems. Furthermore, they are incremental not only for prompting decision makers to pay attention to the issue, but also for coupling solutions to problems, and for coupling both problems and solutions to politics.

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Program website <http://www.eu-china.net/english/participatory-public-policy/Civil-Society-Dialog-Themen.html>

Video reports <https://vimeo.com/andreasfulda/videos>

<http://so.tudou.com/nisearch.do?kw=EU-China+Civil+Society>

Draft Agenda for the International Conference on Civil Society Contributions to Policy Innovation in the PR China

DAY 1

- 09:00 - 10:00 Welcome remarks by Mr Huang Haoming (CANGO)
EU Ambassador Mr Markus Ederer
MoCA Representative Mr Jia Xiaojiu (tbc)
British Embassy Representative Mr Ming Liu (tbc)
- 10:00 - 10:30 Group picture and coffee break
- 10:30 - 12:00 *Panel 1* Introduction to the EU-China Dialogue Programme by Dr Andreas Fulda *and* Principles and Practices of Policy Innovation & Methodologies, Mr Mark Pixley and Mrs Karen Lim, followed by roundtable discussion and comments
- 12:00 – 14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 - 15:30 *Panel 2* Climate Change and Sustainable Consumption and Production, Dr. Yang Fuqiang (tbc) & Christoph Bals (tbc) followed by roundtable discussion and comments
- 15:30 - 15:45 Coffee break
- 15:45 - 17:15 *Panel 3* Industrial Pollution and Environmental Health, Dr Bettina Gransow (tbc) and one Chinese keynote speaker (tbc), followed by roundtable discussion and comments

DAY 2

- 09:00 - 10:30 *Panel 4* Informal Work and Migration, Dr Jean-Philippe Beja (tbc) and Dr Wei Zusong (tbc), followed by roundtable discussion and comments
- 10:30 - 10:45 Coffee break
- 10:45 - 12:15 *Panel 5* Child Welfare and Left-behind Children, Dr Bernadette Robinson and Lin Zhibin, followed by roundtable discussion and comments
- 12:15 – 14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 - 15:30 Commentary on findings from the last two panels & new perspectives
- 15:30 - 16:30 Workshop on publication standards for book contributions
- 16:30 - 18:00 Advisory Board Meeting & Consortium Member Meeting

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