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Call for Papers for Symposium on the Training of Multi-language-plus Professionals for International Organizations 2018

Background

China launched its Belt and Road Initiative (B&R Initiative) five years ago. It sets out not only China's vision of global governance, the concept of shared future of humanity and the new relationship among major countries, but also China's commitment to multilateralism. Under the Initiative, China has redoubled its support to its nationals working in international organizations and actively encouraged China's universities to dovetail their curriculums to the needs of these organizations.

Made up of thirty cities with a total population of more than one hundred million people, Yangtze River Delta is a major confluence of the B&R Initiative and the Yangtze River economic region, weighing heavily on China's modernization drive and its opening up. Of the 300-strong universities located in the Delta, more than twenty have received "Double First Class" ratings from the State, in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the training of language professionals and the development of the region.

The Symposium aims to provide a platform for exchange of innovative ideas and cooperation among scholars and researchers from the Delta and beyond. These interactions will help further enrich the teaching and study of the language profession, promote cooperation between universities and international organizations and explore new thinkings for training language+ professionals for these organizations. The Symposium may very well serve as a launch pad for the dispatch of Chinese language professionals from Shanghai and the Delta region to international organizations.

Date: June 28-29, 2018

Venue: SISU campus

Themes: International partners, scholars and researchers are invited to submit papers on the following:

- 1) Interdisciplinary approach to the training of language staff for international organizations.
- 2) Ways to train language+ translators and interpreters to meet the evolving needs of international organizations.
- 3) Studies on language services, conference management and organizational structures.

Paper abstract submission deadline: 20 May, 2018

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