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Meeting Theme: Challenges and Tendencies of East-West Studies

Meeting Forums: East-West Thought; East-West Education; East-West Literature; East-West Art; East-West Urbanization; East-West Economics; East-West Management; East-West methodology; East-West health

Meeting languages: Chinese, English

Participants: Invite about 50 well-known scholars, experts and writers of East-West studies. The following are part of the participants: Tu Weiming, Zhang Longxi, Roger Ames, Robert Neville, Liu Shuxian, Tang Yijie, Shun Kwong-loi, Chen Lai, Li Chenyang, Chen Xunwu, Yu Jiyuan, Yu Wujin, Ye Yang, Jan W.Walls, Liu Yan, Xiao Jianhua, Li Shan, Feng Chongyi, Wang Rui, Liu Jilu, Cai Jiming, Sun Weimin, Chen Hui, Xu Changdong, Liang Yi, Mei Hong, Li Shaolin, Jiang Kun, Bai Lijian, Liu Yawei, Huang Pei, Wang Jie, Liu Yuedi, Yang Hengjun, Deng Nan, Bai Shurong, Zhang Tong, Liu Qingtian, Shi Yu, Li Yi, Zhang Hui, Bian Dong Yan

Principal Speakers: Tu Weiming, Zhang Longxi

Co-keynote Speakers: Roger Ames, Robert Neville, Liu Shuxian, Tang Yijie, Shun Kwong-loi, Chen Lai, Li Chenyang, Chen Xunwu, Yu Jiyuan, Yu Wujin, Ye Yang, Jan W.Walls, Liu Yan, Xiao Jianhua, Li Shan, Deng Nan, Ding Zijiang

Honorary Chairs: Tu Wei-ming, Zhang Longxi

Co-Chairs: Shun Kwong-loi, Tang Yijie, Chen Lai, Feng Chongyi, Jan W.Walls

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Publication: Chinese papers will be published by *IAES Proceedings*. Through peer reviews, English papers will be published as a special issue of *Journal of East-West Thought (JET)*. Selected papers will be published by Chinese and English academic journals of Chinese High Education Press.

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Introduction of Meeting Place: Nantong is a prefecture-level city in Jiangsu province, People's Republic of China. Located on the northern bank of the Yangtze River, near the river mouth, Nantong is a vital river port bordering Yancheng to the north, Taizhou to the west, Suzhou and Shanghai to the south across the river, and the East China Sea to the east. Nantong's population is 7,282,835 based on Chinese 2010 census statistics, of which 1,994,708 live in the built up area made of 3 urban districts. Nantong, known as a "*Pearl of the River and Sea*", is a city with a history since the Chinese Han Dynasty. It has been found that primitive clan inhabitants lived in this region about 5,000 years ago. As one of China's first fourteen coastal cities permitted to open to international trade and economy, Nantong has a national reputation of "*the First Window on the Yangtze River*" and is one of the national tourist centers. The city is listed on the China's Top 100 Counties (county-level cities) for its comprehensive strength in economy. With the completion of the Sutong (Suzhou-Nantong) Yangtze River Bridge in April 2008, the city is becoming the best city for its economic growth and foreign investments in the Yangtze Delta Economic Zone. Nantong City is one of Jiangsu's thirteen prefecture-level cities that administers two old municipal districts and six county-level cities or counties, including Hai'an and Rudong counties, Haiman, Qidong, Rugao and Tongzhou cities. Mr Zhang Jian, a local prominent statesman, entrepreneur and philanthropist, founded Nantong's first modern cotton mill in 1899. His pioneer enterprises finally developed into a business empire and were a solid foundation for Nantong for its later industrial modernization.

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