

AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION
Between the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and
the Latvian Academy of Sciences

Recognizing the importance of international scientific cooperation with the object to promote and develop the possibilities of scientific cooperation in both countries, the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), represented by professor Wang Weiguang, President, and the Latvian Academy of Sciences (LAS), represented by professor Ojars Sparitis, President, and hereinafter referred to as Parties, have concluded the following.

Article I

According to the Agreement, the forms of the cooperation activities may include:

1. Organisation of joint academic conferences, symposia and consulting activities on the topics of mutual interest.
2. Academic exchanges among scholars and experts of both Parties.
3. Encouragement of cooperative research between both Parties.
4. Joint publication of relevant academic works and translation of works.
5. Preparation and launching of joint project "China and Latvia Cooperation Regarding 'The Belt and Road' Initiative".

Article II

Before the implementation of the above-mentioned cooperative projects, relevant personnel from both Parties will discuss and negotiate on a working plan, specifying the details of the theme, content, timeframe, participants, as well as the financial arrangements of the project. Upon mutual consent, the working plan will be viewed as an organic part of this Agreement.

Article III

The approval and financial arrangements for cooperative projects will be discussed between and decided by both Parties on a case-by-case basis.

The sending party will ensure that the visiting scholars have an appropriate travel insurance against sudden illness and/or accidents that may occur during their stay in the hosting country. However, in case of emergency the receiving party will do all it can to assist the visiting scholars.

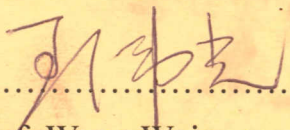
Article IV

Problems occurred during the implementation of this Agreement will be discussed and resolved by both Parties based on the spirit of equality, cooperation and good intention. These problems normally will be settled by exchanging mails/emails, but in case of necessity, will be discussed in a meeting either in Beijing or Riga.

Article V

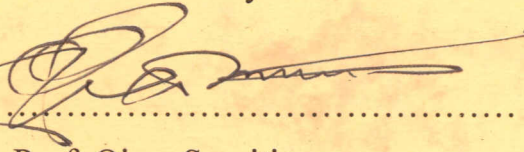
1. The Agreement shall come into force on the date of signature. It shall remain valid (in force) for a period of five (5) years, after which it shall be automatically renewed for subsequent periods of five (5) years unless a written notice of termination has been given by either Party at least six (6) months prior to its renewal.
2. The Agreement can be modified and amended on the basis of the mutual consent of both Parties made in written form.
3. The Agreement is signed in two identical copies in English with the same validity and each Party will obtain one copy.

On behalf of the
Chinese Academy of Social Sciences


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Prof. Wang Weiguang
President of the CASS

Date: 2016. 11. 4

On behalf of the
Latvian Academy of Sciences


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Prof. Ojars Sparitis
President of the LAS

Date: 4. November 2016.