

# NEWSLETTER

Tongji University

College of Civil Engineering

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## Headline News

### The Third Kwang-Hua World Forum on Sustainable Civil Engineering Held in Tongji

Oct. 9th-11th

From Oct. 9th-11th, the Third Kwang-Hua World Forum on Sustainable Civil Engineering hosted by State Key Laboratory of Disaster Reduction in Civil Engineering and College of Civil Engineering, Tongji University, was Held in Tongji.

Fifty-one experts from USA, Canada, UK, Italy, Finland, Japan, Singapore, Mainland China and Taiwan District attended the meeting. The objective of the event was to provide a forum for experts around the world to present recent progress and exchange views or experiences in the field of sustainable civil engineering. The forum also aimed to promote the international collaboration and mutual understanding on how to achieve sustainable infrastructure through innovative planning, design, construction, maintenance, hazard mitigation and retrofitting.

### Tongji Signs Cooperation Agreement with IUSS

Oct. 20th

On Oct. 20th, Vice Secretary Fang Shouen Signed Cooperation Agreement with Institute of Advanced Study (IUSS), Italy. Representatives from Sino-Italian Campus and College of Civil Engineering also attended the ceremony. Besides, on behalf of College of Civil Engineering, Vice President Fang Shouen Signed Cooperation Agreement in the field of earthquake disaster prevention and reduction with IUSS.



## Foreign Affairs

### Meng Qiang from National University of Singapore Visits Tongji

Oct.12th -Oct.13th

Meng Qiang, from Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, National University of Singapore visited college of Civil Engineering, Tongji University from Oct.12th -Oct.13th and discussed with Prof. Gu Xianglin, Dean of College of Civil Engineering, Huang Hongwei, Ma Xianfeng and Tanyong about exchange students between two universities.

### A Delegation from Ecole des Ponts ParisTech and LAFARGE Visits Tongji

Oct.15th

On Oct.15th, Huang Hongwei, Vice Dean of College of Civil Engineering, Dr. Tan Yong, Assistant to the Dean of College of Civil Engineering, Yan Aihua, Assistant to the Dean of IFCIM met and discussed with Dr. Matthieu Vandamme, from ENPC, Dr. PAUL ACKER, Director of R&D Center of LAFARGE and Dr. Li Guanshu, Chief of Asia-Pacific Technology Center of LAFARGE about double degree programs and exchange students programs, etc.

After the meeting, Dr. Matthieu Vandamme, Dr. PAUL ACKER, and Dr. Li Guanshu visited Bridge Wind Tunnel Laboratory and State Key Laboratory of Disaster Reduction in Civil Engineering.



## Foreign Affairs

### Lisa Alavarez-Cohen, Chairman of Civil and Environmental Department, UC Berkley Visits Tongji

Oct. 15th

On Oct. 15th, Prof. Gu Xianglin, Dean of College of Civil Engineering, Prof. Xiong Haibei, Vice Dean, Prof. Zhao Xianzhong, Vice Dean and Prof. Lu Xilin met and discussed with Lisa Alavarez-Cohen, Chairman of Civil and Environmental Department, UC Berkley and Prof. Bozidar Stojadinovic about the possibilities of future cooperation.

### Vice President of INSA de Lyon Visits Tongji University

Oct.15th

On Nov. 19th, Marie-Pierre Favre, Vice President of INSA de Lyon, France, Prof. Irini Djeran-Maigre, Dean of College of Civil Engineering, INSA de Lyon, Nina Arnesen, Project Supervisor of the Asian Pacific Region and Lucie Liu, Representative from the Shanghai Office visited Tongji University. Vice President Dong Qi, Yan Aihua from Institut Franco-Chinois d'Ingénierie et de Management, Huang Hongwei, Vice Dean of College of Civil Engineering and Dr. Tanyong, assistant to the dean attended the meeting. Vice President Dong Qi briefed the "Three Six Hundred" plan, "Excellent Engineers" Program and 5371 Strategic Alliance of Tongji University.

Prof. Irini Djeran-Maigre and Prof. Huang Hongwei briefed on the situations of College of Civil Engineering in INSA de Lyon and Tongji University respectively and discussed key issues of double degree programs.



## Foreign Affairs

### Prof. Fouad BENNIS, Vice President of EC Nantes Visits Tongji

Nov. 22nd

On Nov. 22nd, Vice Dean Huang Hongwei, Assistant to the Dean Tan Yong and Assistant to the Dean Yan Aihua from Institut Franco-Chinois d'Ingénierie et de Management met and discussed with Prof. Fouad BENNIS, Vice President of EC Nantes about double degree programs. The French Party agreed to launch the double degree program that could confer French Engineer Diploma. The two parties discussed the draft of the agreement and reached a consensus.

After the meeting, Prof. Fouad BENNIS met with 6 students from College of Civil Engineering who had joined the Sino-French Double Degree Program. Prof. Fouad BENNIS was satisfied with the students' French and English level, answered their questions and encouraged more students to apply for EC Nantes.

## Academic Exchanges

### 1.

Oct. 11th,

On Oct. 11th, Prof. Richard Sause, Joseph T. Stuart Professor of Structural Engineering, ATLSS Center, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Lehigh University held a lecture entitled “Self-Centering Damage-Free Seismic-Resistant Steel Frame Systems”. Prof. Lu Xilin hosted the lecture.

### 2.

Oct. 19th and Oct. 20th

Prof. Dimitri Beskos from the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Patras held two lectures entitled “Modal Strength Reduction Factors for the Seismic Design of Plane Steel Structures” and “A Hybrid Force/Displacement Seismic Design Method for Steel Building Frames” on Oct. 19th and Oct. 20th respectively. Prof. Qian Jiang hosted the two lectures.

### 3.

Nov. 3rd

On Nov. 3rd, Kwang-Hua Visiting Prof. Bozidar Stojadinovic, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California Berkeley held a lecture entitled “*Performance-Based Evaluation and Design of Building Facade Systems*”. The lecture was hosted by Prof. Zhou Deyuan.



Nov. 12th

## Other News

### Survey of Foreign Affairs Management in the Office of International Student

On Nov. 12th, Vice Dean Huang Hongwei, Assistant to Dean Tan Yong, Yang Chengyu, Cheng Jin and Secretary of Foreign Affairs Shen Jiajun Surveyed in the Office of International Student on the three areas: how to attract more international students to College of Civil Engineering; the administration issue of international students and the proper teaching methods. Lin Delong, Yao Ming and Wang Yan from the Office of International Student shared their experience and thoughts and offered a few good advices.



### Survey of Foreign Affairs Management in the School of Economics and Management

On Nov. 15th, Vice Dean Huang Hongwei, Assistant to Dean Tan Yong, Cheng Jin and Secretary of Foreign Affairs Shen Jiajun Surveyed in the School of Economics and Management about management of foreign affairs. Vice Dean Wu Jianwei and Secretary of Foreign Affairs Fan yingchen from School of Economics and Management participated in the survey and shared their experience.





## Other News

### Survey of Foreign Affairs Management in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Nov. 16th

On Nov. 16th, Vice Dean Huang Hongwei, Assistant to Dean Tan Yong, Yang Chengyu and Secretary of Foreign Affairs Shen Jiajun Surveyed in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning about foreign affairs management. Vice Dean Huang Yiru, Vice Dean Qianfeng, Director of Foreign Affairs Office Li Xiangning, Secretary of Foreign Affairs Office Li Wei and Wu xiuzhi from the College of Architecture and Urban Planning shared their experience and offered a few good advices.



### Meeting on Exchange Program with Universities in Taiwan Held in College of Civil Engineering

Nov. 26th

On Nov. 26th, Prof. Gu Xianglin, Dean of College of Civil Engineering held a meeting with Prof. Huang Hongwei, Vice Dean, Prof. Zhao Xianzhong, Vice Dean, Tan Yong, Assistant to Dean and Shen Jiajun, Secretary of Foreign Affairs on Exchange Program with universities in Taiwan and the founding of Asia CE League(ACEL).

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