

**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperation between
Canton of Basel-Stadt, Swiss Confederation and
Shanghai Municipality, People's Republic of China
for 2017– 2019**

The Shanghai Municipality and the Canton of Basel-Stadt (referred to as “Both Sides” hereinafter) signed an agreement on sister city relationship on November 19th, 2007. Both Sides have agreed to further strengthen official relations and seek to jointly promote cooperation in the fields of economy, life sciences, health, education, scientific research, training, urban development and planning, media exchange, tourism, culture and district relations, as well as implement specific projects of cooperation and exchange. Both Sides agree to enter into this MOU and define friendly cooperation in the period from 2017 to 2019 as follows:

1 Enhancement of Official Relations

- 1.1. Both Sides seek regular communication between their government leaders.
- 1.2. In addition to official meetings, Both Sides will invite each other to major events whenever possible.
- 1.3. The Shanghai Municipal People's Congress, the Shanghai Municipal Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and the Parliament of the Canton of Basel-Stadt seek friendly exchange on topics of mutual interest and exchange of visits under the framework of sister city.

2 Economy, Logistics and International Conferences

- 2.1. Both Sides will support their economic affairs authorities in organizing reciprocal visits and strengthening cooperation, provide assistance to establishment of contacts between companies, trade promotion agencies and chambers of commerce, recommend each other as a business location as well as provide information and contacts for inter-company cooperation and investments. Priority will be given to establishment and expansion of cooperation networks, particularly in the areas of life sciences, finance, IT, logistics and creative industries.
- 2.2. Both Sides will encourage visits by delegations from their partner city and will, whenever possible, support their business representatives in establishing business relations, joint ventures and branch offices.
- 2.3. Both Sides will foster business relations between the EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg and Shanghai Pudong International Airport with an aim to establish direct air links for passenger and cargo traffic between Shanghai and Basel.
- 2.4. Both Sides will promote business relations between the Port of Switzerland and the Shanghai Municipal Transport and Port Authority (SMTPA) by strengthening exchange and cooperation in port development, management and logistics.
- 2.5. Both Sides support organization of forums and conferences in Shanghai and Basel on agreed-upon topics or areas.
- 2.6. Both Sides support introducing Sino-Swiss (Shanghai) Low Carbon Cities Project to Jinshan District of Shanghai, with the aim of strengthening mutual exchange and cooperation in

commercialization of scientific and technological achievements, green development and science and technology innovation parks.

3 Life Sciences and Health

- 3.1. Both Sides will foster communication and network expansion for companies and organizations in the field of life sciences.
- 3.2. The health authorities of Both Sides intend to exchange and cooperate in developing medical service systems and public health systems.
- 3.3. Both Sides will support cooperation projects for services and research between the medical schools of Fudan University, Jiao Tong University and Tongji University as well as their affiliated hospitals and the Medical Faculty of the University of Basel, the University Hospital Basel and the University Children's Hospital Basel (UKBB).

4 Education, Scientific Research and Training

- 4.1. The sister city framework will include an exchange program for particularly gifted students between the University of Basel and the universities in Shanghai. Both Sides also intend to exchange teaching staff in the university sector. Support will be given to research and development exchange projects between the medical schools of Fudan University, Jiao Tong University and Tongji University and the Medical Faculty of the University of Basel, with a particular focus on longer-term exchange projects for MDs and PhDs.
- 4.2. Both Sides will support international study and exchange programs organized between the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland (HfW-FHNW) and Shanghai. The existing cooperation between the University and the Shanghai Finance University, the Shanghai University of Finance & Economics (SUFU), the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology (USST) shall be stepped up and cooperation shall be expanded to include other educational institutions.
- 4.3. Both Sides will support and promote research and development projects between the Basel Zoological Garden and the Shanghai Zoo for the purpose of exchanging knowledge and experience, particularly in the area of breeding programs.
- 4.4. Both Sides will foster the development of the Confucius Institute at the University of Basel. On top of this, they will encourage further cooperation between the University of Basel and universities in Shanghai.
- 4.5. Both Sides will enhance the cooperation and exchange in higher education, primary education and vocational education. The education authorities of Both Sides will establish contacts, exchange and share materials and information about their respective education systems. Both Sides will promote the exchange of faculties and students, cooperation in science and technology, training of skills and invitation to youth science, art, sports and cultural programs organized by Both Sides so as to advance the mutual understanding and friendship between the youth.
- 4.6. The exchange program for young managers from selected companies in Shanghai and Basel with the involvement of the Shanghai Economic Management College (SEMC) and the School of Business of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland will be continued. In addition, Both Sides will review their cooperation on training for business management teachers and training course development.

5 Urban Development and Sustainability

- 5.1 Both Sides will promote exchange and experience sharing in the fields of sustainable urban development, such as environmental management, ecological protection, scientific studies and monitoring of the environment, renewable energy supply, improvement of energy and resource use efficiency in the building sector, wide use of renewable energy in buildings, water resources conservation, waste classification and recycling as resources, mitigation of or adaptation to the impacts of climate change, low impact development, green mobility and green community.

6 Marketing, Media Relations and Tourism

- 6.1. Both Sides will support and promote mutual broadcasting of city/region promotion films, facilitate media exchange and link official websites of authorities for economic affairs, science and culture with a view to increasing mutual understanding between their citizens.
- 6.2. Shanghai Jing'An District Government is responsible for maintaining and operating the original basilisk fountain; the "ZHOU" stone sculpture will be looked after and maintained by the Parks and Recreations Administration of the Department of Public Work and Transport of the Canton of Basel-Stadt.
- 6.3. The tourism organizations of Both Sides will support the implementation of all activities promoting each other as tourist destinations.

7 Culture and Society

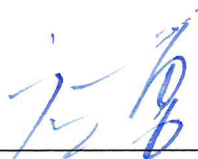
- 7.1. Both sides will support the exchange and cooperation between their libraries and jointly seek to set up a "Window of Shanghai" in Basel.
- 7.2. Various cultural and social activities shall be undertaken between Basel and Shanghai in connection with the sister-city relationship. Authorities for culture and broadcasting of Both Sides will invite each other to their art festivals, the Biennale and other celebrations as well as carry out other cooperative projects.
- 7.3. The Atelier Mondial (formerly IAAB) shall consider and organize exchanges of artists from Basel and Shanghai whenever possible.
- 7.4. Both Sides will promote the exchange and performance of local art and cultural organizations. Performance troupes will be sent to participate in each other's festivals and celebrations, showcasing their own culture and traditions.

8 Exchange at District Level

- 8.1. Both Sides will support exchanges between the Shanghai districts of Xuhui and Jing'An and their counterpart organizations of Basel. The fields of life sciences, education and culture will have priority.
- 8.2. Both Sides will promote friendly cooperation between the Confucius Institute at the University of Basel and Shanghai Huangpu Youngster Art Activity Center.

Both Sides reserve the right, based on friendly consultation, to organize additional exchange programs in other areas for the benefit of both sides.

This Memorandum of Understanding is signed in Basel on September 2, 2016. It has been written in duplicates in the Chinese, English and German languages and all texts are equally authentic.



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