President Chen Yiyu Visited Taiwan Province



At the invitation of the K. T. Li Foundation for the Development of Science and Technology, a NSFC delegation of 6 members led by its President, Prof. Chen Yiyu, visited Taiwan, China from June 12 to 18, 2008.

During the visit, Prof. Chen introduced NSFC's profile of funding to the officials of the K. T. Li Foundation and professionals from S&T sectors in the island, and expressed that NSFC is willing to promote the interaction between the science communities across the Strait. He pointed out that the positive result from the dialogue between the Association for Relations Across the Taiwan Straits (ARATS) and the Straits Exchange Foundation (SEF) reflects an aspiration shared by the compatriots on both sides of the Strait. Both sides should spare no time in stably facilitating substantial cooperation of science and technology across the Strait based on the dialogue.

The two organizations reached an agreement on jointly supporting substantial cooperation and exchange between scientists of the Mainland and Taiwan. According to the agreement, both sides will identify no more than two priority funding areas every year and kick off with seismology for the year of 2008.

The delegation also visited Tsing Hua University (Hsinchu), Taiwan University, Cheng Kung University and Academia Sinica, and received warm hospitalities during the whole visit.

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