13th Meeting of China-Korea Joint Committee for Basic Scientific Research Held in Korea

The 13th Meeting of the China-Korea Joint Committee for Basic Scientific Research was successfully held in Seorak, Korea from May 20 to 23, 2009. Through evaluation, the Joint Committee selected 38 bilateral cooperative projects to grant in FY 2009, including 13 joint seminars and 25 joint research projects. The Committee members also made in-depth discussions on issues of strengthening future cooperation and the topics for the Northeastern Asian Symposium.

Chinese and Korean delegations were headed by Prof. Shen Yan, Vice President of NSFC, and Prof. Seong Jong Lee, Director General of KOSEF, respectively. Total of 22 participants including members of China-Korea Joint Committee presented in the meeting. The Chinese attendees include Prof. Lin Guoqiang, Director General of NSFC Department of Chemical Sciences and Co-Chairman of China-Korea Joint Committee, and other deputy directors from NSFC departments.

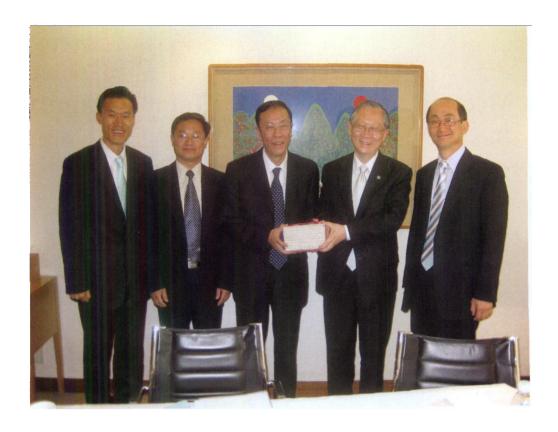
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Prof. Shen Wenqing Attends the NRF International Symposium



Group of the delegates to the Symposium.

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Prof. Shen Wenqing Exchanging gifts with NRF of Korea.

Invited by Korea Science and Engineering Foundation (KOSEF), Prof. Shen Wenqing, Vice President of the National Natural Science Foundation of China, attended the International Symposium, which was held from June 24 to 27, 2009 in Seoul, Korea, in commemoration of the establishment of the National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF). Prof. Shen delivered a speech at the symposium, and had a bilateral meeting with Prof. Chan-Mo Park, Chairman of NRF.

Dr. Cora Marrett, Deputy Director of US National Science Foundation (NSF), Prof. Motoyuki Ono, President of Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), Prof. Dorothea Wagner, Vice President of Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Prof. Par Omling, Director General of Swedish Research Council (VR), and Prof. Detlof von Winterfeldt, Director of International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis also attended the symposium and delivered speeches.

NRF is the combination of KOSEF, Korea Research Foundation (KRF) and Korea Foundation for International Cooperation of Science and Technology (KICOS). Prof. Chan-Mo Park, the first President of NRF, is a Special Adviser to Korean President for Science and Technology. With the budget of 2. 6 billion USD for the fiscal year of 2009, NRF will play a significant role in the promotion of science and technology in Korea.