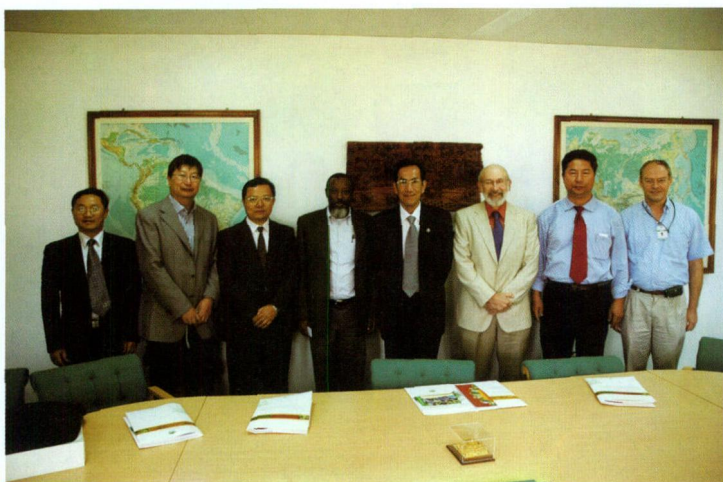


NSFC President Visits UNEP and ICRAF



Prof. Chen Yiyu, NSFC President, met with Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP.



Prof. Chen Yiyu, NSFC President, visited ICRAF.

Invited by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Dr. Dennis P. Garrity, Director General of World Agroforestry Center (ICRAF), a delegation led by Prof. Chen Yiyu, NSFC President, visited UNEP and ICRAF from September 4 to 8, 2009. Members of the delegation include Prof. Han Jianguo, Director General of the Bureau of International Cooperation, Prof. Feng Feng, Deputy Director General of the Department of Medicine Sciences, etc.

During the visit to UNEP, the delegation was cordially received by Mr. Steiner and his colleagues. He made a special arrangement for one-hour discussion with the delegation. Prof. Joe Alcamé, Chief Scientist of UNEP, senior staff from the Division of Early Warning and Assessment (DEWA), Division of Environmental Policy Implementation (DEPI), and Regional Director for UNEP in Africa and scientists from African scientific community also met with the delegation, respectively. Their discussions enhanced the understanding between each other, and both sides agreed to seek approaches to collaboration in the fields of environment and global climate changing.

During the visit to ICRAF, Prof. Chen met with Dr. Dennis P. Garrity, Dr. Tonny Simons and other scientists

from ICRAF, and visited their laboratories. Both sides had fruitful discussions on the cooperation mode, research fields, etc, and decided to organize a number of bilateral workshops to initiate joint research in related research disciplines.