

## Vice President Shen Yan Visited International Organizations in Italy and France



A 4-member delegation, led by Prof. Shen Yan visited Italy and France from November 28th to December 7th, 2012. The delegation visited Bioversity International Headquarters, Food and Agriculture Organization of UN (FAO), University La Sapienza, CGIAR Consortium Headquarters and Bioversity's Banana Programme. Prof. Shen and other members met respectively with Dr. Stephan Weise, Deputy Director General of Bioversity, Dr. Linda Collette, Secretary of the FAO Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and Dr. Frank Rijsberman, CEO of CGIAR Consortium. The delegation held formal discussions with CGIAR Consortium on officially signing a cooperative agreement during the meeting and both sides agreed to sign it as early as possible. The delegates also include Prof. Changqing, Director General, Bureau of International Cooperation, Prof. Zhang Yinglan and Prof. Hu Jingjie.