Prof. Chen Yiyu Meets with Mr. Philippe Busquin, the Research Commissioner of European Commission

On April 7, Prof. Chen Yiyu, President of NSFC, met with Mr. Philippe Busquin, the Research Commissioner of the European Commission. Prof. Zhu Zuoyan, Vice President of NSFC, first gave a brief introduction about NSFC and its cooperation and exchange with European countries. Both sides then exchanged their views on the support of basic research, project evaluation, the fostering and attraction of talents, etc. Issues concerning the participation of Chinese scientists in the European Framework and the strengthening of bilateral cooperation and exchange were also discussed. Mr. Franz Jessen, deputy head of the European Commission Delegation to China and Mr. Jurgen Sanders, first counselor of the science & technology delegation of the European Commission to China also attended the meeting.

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Prof. Chen Yiyu meets with the Max Planck Society Delegation

In the afternoon of May 24, the Max Planck Society delegation headed by its President Peter Gruss visited NSFC. Prof. Chen Yiyu, President, and Prof. Zhu Daoben and Prof. Zhu Zuoyan, Vice Presidents of NSFC met with the delegation. Prof. Chen Yiyu first expressed his warm welcome to the delegation and Prof. Zhu Zuoyan then made a brief introduction about NSFC and its international cooperation and exchange. Both sides fully exchanged views in a cordial atmosphere on issues such as the support and training of young people, budget and distribution, project evaluation, bilateral cooperation, etc. After the meeting, Prof. Chen hosted a buffet for the delegation, and staff from NSFC scientific departments and relevant bureaus attended the meeting and the buffet.

The mission of the delegation in China this time is to take part in the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the CAS-Max Planck cooperation. On May 24, during the meeting held in honor of this anniversary, Prof. Chen Yiyu signed the “Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities” on behalf of NSFC.

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