Top Heads Met at China-US Computer Science Leadership Summit

NSFC Vice President Sun Jiaguang, heading a delegation composed of computer science professionals and NSFC staff, attended the Second China-US Computer Science Leadership Summit held in the U. S. A. from July 9 to 13, 2008, which was jointly sponsored by NSFC and NSF. NSF attached great importance to the summit and its Director, Dr. Arden L. Bement, attended the summit. When talking with Prof. Sun, Dr. Bement expressed his hope for the further consolidation of the cooperative relationship between NSF and NSFC and the substantial enhancement of the collaboration and exchanges between scientists from the U. S. A. and China. They also delivered speeches at the opening ceremony.

Varieties of mutually concerned issues in the field of computer science, education, training, etc. were fully addressed during the summit. An agreement was reached between NSFC and NSF at the end of the summit to continue to cosponsor the Third China-US Computer Science Leadership Summit.

During the stay in the U. S. A., the delegation visited the Directorate of Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE) of NSF and received welcome from Dr. Kathie Olsen, Deputy Director of NSF, and Dr. Jeannette M. Wing, Assistant Director for CISE. Each division of CISE presented the delegation with a comprehensive introduction of its funding operations.

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