

Seminar on Agricultural Industry Development for "Belt and Road" Countries

Program name	Seminar on Agricultural Industry Development for "Belt and Road" Countries		
Organized by	International Exchange Center of Yangling Agriculture Hi-tech Industries Demonstration Zone		
Time	2025-11-06 -- 2025-11-19	Language used	English
Countries invited	The Belt and Road Countries		
Planned number of participants	20		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; Under 50 for officials at director general's level.	
	Health condition	In good health with health certificate issued by the local public hospitals; without diseases with which entry to China is disallowed by China's laws and regulations; without severe chronic diseases such as serious high blood pressure, cardiovascular/cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; without metal diseases or epidemic diseases that are likely to cause serious threat to public health; not in the process of recovering after a major operation or in the process of acute diseases; not seriously disabled or pregnant.	
	Language competence	Capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English during the training	
	others	Family members or friends shall not follow	
Venue	Yangling Demonstration Zone in Shaanxi Province	Weather conditions	8°C~15°C
Cities to be visited	Beijing City Xi'an City□Shaanxi Province	Weather conditions	Beijing City:8°C~13°C Xi'an City□Shaanxi Province:8°C~15°C
Remarks	1. Please prepare the discussion materials related to the theme of the program; 2. Please wear formal or traditional ethnic clothing or working uniform to formal activities; 3. Please carry a small amount of common medications; 4. The Chinese side will not provide computers, please bring your own if necessary; 5. It is generally prohibited to alter international flight tickets personally. If necessary, please consult the Economic and Commercial Office of the Chinese embassy in your country to handle the process of flight ticket change; 6. If unexpected circumstances prevent your timely departure, or if your connecting flight is delayed, please contact the Economic and Commercial Office or the contact person of the organizer in a timely manner and inform them of the latest flight information for pick - up arrangements; 7. When transferring flights, please confirm whether you need to recheck your luggage; 8. After collecting your luggage upon landing, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit or domestic arrival exit. Our staff will pick you up with a sign bearing the name of the organizer. If the wait exceeds 15 minutes, you can contact with the contact person of the organizer by phone; 9. It is recommended to download and register WECHAT in advance.		

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About the Organizer	<p>Yangling Demonstration Zone, established in 1997, is China's first national-level agricultural Hi-tech industry demonstration zone and the core development area of the "Belt and Road" International Cooperation Center for Modern Agriculture. As a hub aggregating China's agricultural sci-tech innovation resources, it hosts over 110 provincial/ministerial-level research platforms—including the Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Chinese Academy of Sciences and the Chinese Institute of Water-Saving Agriculture in Arid Regions—spanning more than 70 disciplines such as agriculture, forestry, and water resources, with over 7,000 professionals in agriculture, science, and education. Since 2011, when China's Ministry of Commerce designated it as the China Aid Training Base for Dryland Farming Technology, Yangling has consistently undertaken agricultural technical foreign aid training programs. In 2019, it further established the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Demonstration Base for Agricultural Technology Exchange and Training and the China-Africa Joint Center for Modern Agricultural Technology Exchange, Demonstration, and Training initiated by President Xi Jinping, forming a multi-tiered international agricultural cooperation framework. Leveraging its robust research capabilities and talent pool, Yangling Demonstration Zone now fulfills a critical mission in serving China's agricultural diplomacy strategies, with a focus on international training and demonstration of modern agricultural technologies.</p> <p>Since 2005, the Yangling Demonstration Zone has hosted more than 180 sessions of various foreign aid training programs, with over 5,000 participants from more than 130 countries attending training programs in Yangling. Relying on rich scientific and educational resources from provincial institutions such as Northwest A&F University, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Chang'an University, the Institute of Soil and Water Conservation of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and the National Beef Cattle Improvement Center, it has developed ten characteristic training themes, including agricultural economic management, facility agriculture, water-saving irrigation, soil and water conservation, animal husbandry, e-commerce, public infrastructure construction, governance capacity building, and poverty reduction cooperation. It has established a complete curriculum system and series of training materials on water-saving, soil and water conservation, and facility agriculture. It has also established a team of over 150 full-time and part-time faculty members organized by experts in various fields such as academician Shao Ming'an, academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Wang Chaohui selected for the Thousand Talents Plan, and Fan Junliang. It has created more than 20 practical training bases in various fields such as economic forests, animal husbandry, facility agriculture, and crop cultivation, providing support for on-site teaching, visits, and inspections during related training activities.</p>	
Training content	<p>1. Main training content</p> <p>(1) International Agricultural Cooperation and Practices under the Belt and Road Initiative. Introducing cooperation models between China and participating countries in agriculture within the BRI framework.</p> <p>(2) Construction Pathways for Agricultural Industry and Value Chains. Introducing the fundamental components of the entire agricultural industry chain and</p>	

	<p>synergistic models across planting, processing, circulation, and sales.</p> <p>(3) Policies and Practices of Agricultural E-commerce in China. Introducing the development and current status of agricultural e-commerce in China, along with policies, platform development, business models, and case studies.</p> <p>(4) Agricultural Waste Management and Green Low-Carbon Transformation of the Entire Industry Chain. Introducing concepts and classification of agricultural waste, waste management technologies, and policies/practices for green low-carbon transformation across the agricultural industry chain.</p> <p>(5) Development of New Agricultural Management Entities Represented by Farmer Cooperatives. Introducing the crucial role of farmer cooperatives in advancing agricultural industrialization, enhancing production efficiency, and optimizing resource utilization.</p> <p>(6) Operation and Management of Specialized Farmer Cooperatives. Introducing typical cases of farmer cooperative development, analyzing successful experiences in production, brand building, industry chain extension, and operational management for specialized planting/breeding cooperatives.</p> <p>(7) Practices of Agricultural Product Quality and Safety Management. Introducing international and Chinese agricultural product quality and safety standards systems, inspection/testing systems, and certification systems; analyzes opportunities and challenges within quality management frameworks.</p> <p>(8) Agricultural Product Brand Operations. Explores distinctive features and advantages in agricultural product branding across different countries/regions; analyzes key aspects of brand operations.</p> <p>(9) Theory and Practice of Agricultural Sustainable Development. Introducing core concepts and global trends in agricultural sustainable development; analyzes its vital role in addressing climate change, resource scarcity, and ecological degradation.</p> <p>(10) Synergistic Pathways for Ecological Conservation and Agricultural Development. Explores the relationship between ecological conservation and agricultural development; analyzes approaches to achieve ecological protection goals while ensuring food security.</p> <p>2. Study tour arrangements(Cities may be adjusted according to actual circumstances)</p> <p>(1) Participants will visit the Smart Agriculture Demonstration Park in Yangling Demonstration Zone, Shaanxi Province, to study operation and management technologies for modern agricultural intelligent equipment.</p> <p>(2) Participants will visit the Kiwifruit International Innovation Park in Yangling Demonstration Zone, Shaanxi Province, to learn experiences in developing agricultural industry chains to boost rural collective economies.</p> <p>(3) Participants will visit Aiju Grain and Oil Industrial Group Co., Ltd. in Xi'an, Shaanxi Province , for exchange, understanding key practices in modern agricultural product processing and sales.</p> <p>(4) Participants will visit the Agricultural Exhibition Hall in Beijing to study the evolution of China's modern agricultural industry development.</p> <p>3. About the lecturers</p> <p>(1) Zhang Han: Deputy Dean, Professor, and Doctoral Supervisor at the School of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University; main research interests are agricultural and forestry economics and policy, and “The Belt and Road Initiative” agricultural international cooperation.</p> <p>(2) Chen Haibin: Professor and Doctoral Supervisor at the Department of Agricultural Economics, School of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University; main research areas include agricultural resource economics and environmental management, and rural regional development.</p> <p>(3) Qiu Lu: Associate Professor and Master Supervisor at the School of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University; main research direction is agricultural economic management.</p> <p>(4) Wang Hongmei: Professor, Doctoral Supervisor, and Vice Dean of the College of Economics and Management at Northwest A&F University. Research Focus: Rural Economic Development.</p> <p>(5) Ren Yanjun: Professor and Doctoral Supervisor at Northwest A&F University; Recipient of Shaanxi Provincial High-Level Youth Talent Program; Leader of Shaanxi Higher Education</p>
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	<p>Youth Innovation Team. Research Focus: Sustainable Food Systems, Food Consumption & Nutrition Health, Agricultural Market Analysis & Consumer Behavior.</p> <p>4. Others</p> <p>To facilitate communication with Chinese experts, it is advised to prepare materials related to your country and the training themes in advance, including: <input type="checkbox"/> An overview of your country's agricultural industry development, current problems, and challenges; <input type="checkbox"/> The foundation and needs for agricultural cooperation with China, etc.</p>
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