



CHINA-EUROPA FORUM

Schedule of the meeting of the Chinese and European prime movers of the China-Europa Forum July 22 – 24, 2009

The meeting of the prime movers aims at better knowing each other, deepening the working methods and implementing an action plan for the period July 2009 - July 2010.

Where?

At the Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris, www.ciup.fr, 17 boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris

When?

From July 22, lunchtime to July 24, lunchtime in order for most European participants to be able to travel to Paris in the morning of July 22 and travel back on July 24, afternoon. The meeting will be organised in four half days representing four working sessions.

A meeting of the prime movers

The meeting will bring together 200 to 250 people: the prime movers of the workshops which will not be held in July 2009 with, in each case, a mediator capable of overcoming the language's obstacle. This mediator will be, whenever possible, the assistant of the Chinese prime mover involved in the preparation of the Forum of July 2010. Will also be present some of the prime movers of workshops held in July 2009 who will just have returned from China and who will share their experience with the audience.

This meeting has been decided to transform a crisis, born from the the postponement of the Forum from July 2009 to July 2010, into an opportunity to reinforce, within each workshop and within the Forum as a whole, the collective dynamic and the transformation of the biennial meetings into a continuous dialogue. The present meeting will help people to better know each other and to deepen the dialogue which would not have been possible if the Forum would have taken place in July 2009.

The meeting of the Chinese and European prime movers is an extension of the three European meetings of the Fall 2008 and of the two Chinese meetings held this Spring 2009. In both cases, these meetings have been critical to transform the Forum into a collective adventure. The fact that the Chinese and the European prime movers will meet represents a new decisive step in the transformation of the Forum into a collective dynamic built in the long term.

This meeting has been improvised in response to the new situation created by the impossibility to hold the plenary sessions in Hong Kong. No budget was planned for such a meeting and the tight delay prevented any possible search for a substantial cofinancing. The Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation agreed to cover the expenses related to this meeting but at the lowest possible cost. Hence the choice of the International students residences in Paris for the lodging and of the International House for the meeting. Participants should be fully aware of this financial constraint and accept in advance the modest material conditions attached to this extraordinary human opportunity.

Schedule

A map of the Cité Internationale and of the Maison Internationale will be soon available online on the Forum website. You can already find there a map of Paris.

Wednesday, July, 22th : the participants are welcomed between 12 am and 1.30 pm

- 12-1 pm : Lunch buffet at the Salon Honnorat
- 1.30 - 6 pm : Working session at the Espace Adenauer
- 7- 8 pm : Dinner at the Salon Honnorat

Thursday, July, 23rd : the participants are welcomed between 8am and 9am

- 8-9 am : Breakfast at the Espace Adenauer
- 9 am-1 pm : Working session at the Espace Adenauer and adjacent rooms
- 1-2 pm : Lunch buffet at the Salon Honnorat
- 2-6 pm : Collective session at the Espace Adenauer
- 7-9 pm : Cocktail at the Institut de France

Friday, July, 24 : the participants are welcomed between 8am and 9am

- 8-9 am : Breakfast at the Espace Adenauer
- 9 -12 am : Collective session at the Espace Adenauer
- 12 am-1 pm : Presse meeting at the Espace Adenauer
- 1 – 2 pm : Lunch buffet at the Salon Honnorat / lunch box

Accès and map

Meeting address : 17 boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris

the meeting will be located : 1st floor of the Maison Internationale (main building).

If you choose to come by public transportation :

RER B / Tram T3, station Cité Universitaire

If you choose to come by car : you can park inside the Cité Universitaire. Please tell us in advance and send us your car registration plate and your car type for the security officer. The entrance will be at 27, boulevard Jourdan.

Cocktail address :

The cocktail is supported by the Académie des Sciences morales et politiques, which give us free access to the Salle des Cinq Académies. Please register in advance.

Académie des Sciences morales et politiques (Salle des cinq académies)

Institut de France

23 quai Conti, 75006 Paris

access : RER B (station Saint-Michel) or Subway Ligne 7

(station Pont-Neuf, via Tram T3 Porte d'Italie)

Un départ collectif sera organisé de la Cité Internationale à 18h30.

Detailed Program

→ 1st session : 22nd July afternoon and evening : working session for the prime movers of each workshop.

After the opening session, the participants will then be split in groups of 3 to 4 people, the trios/quatuors, working on the same workshop: the European prime mover, the Chinese prime mover, an assistant and/or a language facilitator.

The session will start with:

- a mutual introduction
- the comparison of the issue papers prepared on the Chinese and on the European sides
- the review of the profile of participants considered to take part to the workshop.

Then within each trio/quatuor, a simulation of the methods to be used in July 2010 to present the workshop's conclusions will be carried out. The « friendly » version of the Desmodo tool (SimpleGrille) will be used in order to present the results to the rest of the participants:

- the list of the 5 major issues specific to the workshop;
- the actions to be taken (priorities to work on that are specific to the theme of the workshop and also next concrete steps for the workshop itself)

These conclusions will be the starting point of the work to accomplish between now and July 2010. The most “advanced” workshop will have the opportunity to enrich their webpage with their own report.

Note: in order for this session to be most effective, one should make sure that most groups have access to a laptop or at least, that each group writes down its conclusions and that a team enters the data in the system at least in Chinese and in English versions. Each participant will receive the instructions to download the Desmodo software (free access).

→ 2nd session (23 July morning) : work within the 9 groups of workshops of the Forum and simulation of the plenaries of July 2010

This second session will aim at simulating, using the conclusions of the previous session, the organization of the plenaries of July 2010. For this exercise the workshops' trios/quatuors of the day before will be gathered into groups (the 9 workshop groups of the Forum). The participants will receive a mapping presentation, available in Chinese and in English versions, of the working sessions of the day before based on the 5 major issues identified. The exercise will consist in regrouping the issues identified by the various trios/quatuors of the group and draw the major trends.

The work within each group will be divided in two parts :

* in sub-group of 4 people coming from different workshops to decide together how to gather the main issues.

* **the participants from the same group** will confront the gathering proposals made in the sub-group in order to draw altogether the common major trends.

→ **3rd session (23 July afternoon) : tools and methods**

This session, held in plenary, will be dedicated to the presentation of the tools and methods used in the Forum and to the collective discussion of the organization of the work between July 2009 and July 2010.

The first part of the afternoon will focus on: presentation of the synthesis process of the work issued from the workshops of the Second Forum and the 4 common challenges between China and Europe resulting from this process.

The second part of the afternoon will focus on :

- * **the website** and its role of common resources database and of Forum window, with the strict respect of the ensuing guidelines for the presentation of documents and workshops' outputs ;
- * **the use of blogs** (QQ and Euractiv) to build a public debate in each of the 9 groups of workshops;
- * **the databases**, common tools to manage the complexity of the Forum;
- * **the criteria of selection of the participants.**

The second part of the afternoon will be dedicated to **"FAQ" session** where everyone will have an opportunity to express concerns or questions on the Forum itself, on the workshops' organisation, on the tools and methods, etc.

→ **4th session (24 July morning) : synthesis and action plan**

During the opening of the morning session *the prime movers of some of the workshops which have been held in China this July will come and share their experience*, and describe the possibilities and limits of the process.

Then the morning will be split in two sessions:

- During the first session, **the trios/quatuors will work together to identify the lessons from the work of the day before.**
- In the second part of the morning all the conclusions will be put together by all the participants **to build the action plan for the period July 2009 – July 2010** and to reinforce the Forum, in particular the progressive building of the four pillars for each workshop and the search for cofinancing.