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The Editorial of ...Pierre Calame* On the way to the Third Forum



Dear participants,

The success of the Second Forum opened up promising

possibilities: many workshops expressed their willingness to deepen the work started last October; institutions on both European and Chinese sides are yet convinced and ready to support the dialogue between societies; the large media coverage of the Second Forum proves that the public opinion will be in the position to take up the challenges identified during the Forum.

The Forum evolves from a biennal event into a continuous process of dialogue. Please logon to the website to learn more about the <u>«institutional framework</u>» and the concept of «diamond-shaped» organization involving local authorities, universities and research centers, organizations of the civil society and language facilitators.

Your contribution to the enlargement of your workshop networks is key to ensure the continuation of the Forum. Technical means are available, institutional support is granted and we are ready to mobilize our own networks to widely communicate on your workshop.

Together, we made the Second Forum a success, I am sure we will succeed with the Third edition!

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Forum Headlines

Europe takes action!

- A fruitful series of meetings and interviews has started in Brussels with the European Commission and the European Parliament last January; a trip to China, with the same objectives, is scheduled in May 2008.
- The European Committee of the Regions organizes an information meeting on the Forum and its follow-ups on April 1st, for all European regions representatives.
- The General Directorate for Education and Culture held a meeting on March 14th, with the Forum organizing team and the European universities already involved in the Eramus Mundus programme with China.

The Forum in the Chinese Media!

• An unprecedent echo as shown in the <u>Chinese media press review</u>

News from the workshops

A collective synthesis of sessions 1 and 2 for all workshops

has been drawn up by European participants and stakeholders, on February 14th and 15th, 2008 at the Charles Léopold Mayer Foundation, in Paris. A similar exercise will be offered in China in the coming months.

- → Coming soon: <u>Logon to the synthesis of sessions 1 and 2</u>
- Consult the reports and conclusions per workshop

Most of the European prime movers have expressed their willingness to pursue the dialogue with China at the meeting of December 4, 2007 - <u>see the meeting minutes</u> - In China, participants have already begun to implement reflection groups - <u>See the first list</u> of reflection groups in China

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THE PLENARY SPEECHES ARE NOW ONLINE!

Message to the participants: the Forum Photo Gallery is also yours. Feel free to send us your photos and impressions on the Second Forum!

The Forum Team is at your disposal!

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