

The Chairman of the Chinese Economists Society (CES) visits UIBE to discuss cooperation with Chinese Economists working abroad.

On June 24, 2009 President Shi Jianjun and Vice President Lin Guijun met with Doctor Wang Hong (from the Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University) currently the Chairman of the Chinese Economists Society (CES); Professor Zhang Hao from Department of Statistics, Purdue University; and Doctor Wang Yanlin, who will assume the position of CES Chairman in 2011, an associate professor of economics at Carleton University in Canada. Professor Zhao Zhongxiu, Dean of the School of International Trade and Economics (SITE) was also present at the meeting.



Doctor Wang Yanlin discussed the development of CES since its founding in 1985, and its cooperation with China's economists in recent years. About 20 years ago, CES was founded by a group of young Chinese economists living and working in New York. It was the first international professional academic association to focus on the study of China's economy. Today, CES's mandate is to: promote further reforms

of China's market economy; offer support in the implementation of its open policy; to expand academic exchanges at home and abroad. At present, CES has nearly 2000 members from North America, Asia, Europe and elsewhere around the world. Members come from all walks of life: university, government, international organizations, industry and the financial services. Many CES members have returned to China, taking on leading positions in various sectors. The *China Economic Review*, an English academic magazine sold worldwide and published by CES, has become an authoritative international magazine on the Chinese economy. International seminars are held annually by CES to discuss China's process of reform and opening up.

In part, the discussion centered around the organisation of an international seminar. Vice President Lin Guijun showed his support and enthusiasm and agreed to a 2011 international seminar held jointly by UIBE and CES.

President Shi Jianjun endorsed such high-level and high-quality academic cooperation, and emphasized the mutual benefits of such an activity. He offered as possible themes for the seminar the hot topic of the global economy and China's economy. As 2011 will mark the 60th anniversary of UIBE's foundation, President Shi hopes the seminar will bring about significant academic achievements.