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What is EFBIC?

The European Focus on Biotechnology in China is a collaborative project between the China National Centre for Biotechnology Development and the European Federation of Biotechnology.

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The Mission

EFBIC aims to establish strategic relations between high-level decision makers in Europe and China in the field of biotechnology and biological science.

With government, science, industry and public interest organisations, EFBIC works to encourage, develop and facilitate cooperative activities in research, training and innovation.

Activities:

The main activities of EFBIC are to:

- Organise China-EU Workshops on key topics of mutual scientific and commercial interests
- Arrange and fund exchanges, visits and fellowships for European and Chinese officials, decision makers, regulators, industrialists and scientists
- Produce briefings on opportunities for joint scientific and commercial development
- Establish a website and database on topics relevant to the EFBIC activities
- Ensure China-EU joint collaboration in the European Commission Sixth Framework Programme

Involvement opportunities

Why join us?

Be part of an expanding EU-China network for development of biotechnology

Participate in workshops, visits, exchanges and fellowships in Europe and China

Establish contacts with Chinese or European partners

Be European hosts for Chinese visits, exchanges and fellowships

Publicise your meetings and other events of interest to Europeans and Chinese biotech

Gain access to reports and other data concerned with biotech developments in China

Get support to propose or join projects under FP6 for collaboration opportunities between Europeans and Chinese

EFBIC Forum

All Chinese and European scientists, officials, and industrialists interested in joining EFBIC workshops, participating in other EFBIC activities, or contributing to the expansion of the Sino-European network in biotechnology are welcome to register as members of the EFBIC Forum.

To register as a member of the EFBIC Forum please contact the EFBIC Office of your region (details at the back).

For further information on EFB, please contact us or visit www.efbweb.org.

EFBIC Events

Reports of previous EFBIC events are available on www.efbinternational.org.

If you wish to organise an EFBIC event / workshop, please submit your project to Prof. Brian Clark (at the Europe Office) or Prof. Wang Yu (at the China Office).

Meetings planned:

"Agribiotechnology in China"

Symposium and Workshop, 11th European Congress on Biotechnology,

27 August 2003, Basel, Switzerland

"Molecular Mechanisms of Medical Microbiology & Drug Resistance"

27-29 November 2003, near Shanghai, China

"Bioinformatics"

19-22 February 2004, Hinxton Hall, Cambridge, UK

"Integrated Drug Screening and Validation: New Drug Targets and Animal Model"

September –October 2004, Hangzhou, China

"GMOs, Biosafety, Regulatory and Trade Issues" 2004, Germany

"New Strategies for Developing Vaccines"
Dates and venues to be decided

Further possible meetings:

Biotechnology and Finance Forum, China Technology Transfer, China Workshop on IPR in China

Fellowships and exchanges

Short term visits/exchanges for high-level scientists and stakeholders can be funded by EFBIC. Please submit your project to Prof. Brian Clark (at the Europe Office) or Prof. Wang Yu (at the China Office).

Long-term fellowships, for experienced researchers between China to Europe can be funded under FP6 Marie Curie Incoming/Outgoing Fellowships. More information and guidelines are available on EFBIC website.

First deadline for application is 21 May 2003. Further calls will be published on EFBIC website.