



New Year's Greetings to Member Organizations of the Global Cooperation Alliance of Science Centers

Dear Alliance Members:

On behalf of the Global Cooperation Alliance of Science Centers, we wish you a Happy New Year from the beautiful Yanqi Lake in Beijing.

Looking back on our progress, we have convened three times to work towards a common goal: the establishment of the Global Cooperation Alliance of Science Centers (the Alliance). With the full support of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and the city of Beijing, the Alliance was established during the Third Conference on International Cooperation of Science Centers and we were elected as the first-term Chairman and Secretary General of the Alliance, respectively. Here, we would like to once again thank our colleagues for their confidence in us; in particular, we would like to thank the former Vice Mayor YIN Hejun, Dr. MESOT Joel, and Dr. MARQUARD Wolfgang, the chairmen of the previous three conferences, for their hard work.

The Alliance is currently in its early stages of operation. Looking ahead to 2020, the Alliance will begin its full operation, and we hope for your continued support. Later in the year, we are going to host the Fourth Conference on International Cooperation of Science Centers (also the second conference of the Alliance) in Beijing, as planned.

In the first half of 2020, the Secretary Office of the Alliance plans to hold a Frontier Forum on large-scale scientific facilities in Beijing. This forum will be an important activity for the Alliance to kick-start the collaboration among sciences centers. We will soon send out an invitation and relevant information to you and we hope that experts from your center will attend this forum. Since the Secretary Office recently began its full work routine, we regret that we are unable to circulate event information in advance for the purposes of discussion.

The Global Cooperation Alliance of Science Centers will provide a platform for collaboration in the fields of science and technology. We are confident that, as a demonstration of the worldwide trend of strengthening cross-border academic cooperation, the Alliance will play an important role in building an international scientific and technological community.

We wish you all good health, happiness and prosperity in the new year.

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