

Seminar on Modern Agricultural Economic Management for Developing Countries

Name	Seminar on Modern Agricultural Economic Management for Developing Countries		
Organizer	International Exchange Center of Yangling Agriculture Hi-tech Industries Demonstration Zone		
Time	May 9th, 2024 to May 22nd, 2024	Language for Learning	English
Invited Countries	Developing countries		
Number of Participants	20		
Requirements for the Participants	Age	Under 45 for officials at or under director's level; under 50 for officials at director general's level.	
	Health	In good health with health certificate issued by the local public hospitals; without diseases with which entry to China is disallowed by China's laws and regulations; without severe chronic diseases such as serious high blood pressure, cardiovascular/cerebrovascular diseases and diabetes; without metal diseases or epidemic diseases that are likely to cause serious threat to public health; not in the process of recovering after a major operation or in the process of acute diseases; not seriously disabled or pregnant.	
	Language	Participants should be capable of listening, speaking, reading and writing in English that can meet the requirements of the class.	
	others	Family members or friends shall not follow.	
Host City	Yangling Demonstration Zone, Shaanxi Province	Local Temperature	Summer: Temperature 15°C-25°C
Cities to visit	Beijing City, Xi'an City, Shaanxi Province	Local Temperature	Beijing City 15°C-26°C , Xi'an City 15°C-25°C
Notes	1. Please prepare your valid passport and visa in advance; 2. If you are unable to depart on time due to special circumstances, or if your flight is delayed when connecting, please contact the program contact person to inform the latest flight status in order to arrange for pick-up; 3. In principle, personal changes to international tickets are not allowed; if you really need to do so, please contact the Business Office for ticket change procedures. If personal change is made to the air tickets without consent, the resulting costs and responsibilities will be borne by the individual. 4. Please check if you need to re-handle your baggage check-in when you transfer to another flight. After picking up your baggage, please wait patiently at the international arrival exit (or domestic arrival exit) and the staff will pick you up with the pick-up sign with the name of the organizer. If you wait for more than 15 minutes, you can communicate with the program contact person by phone; 5. If you need to register with the airline in case of lost checked luggage, please call the program contact person to confirm the luggage delivery address before filling out the registration form; 6. Please pay attention to the weather of the destinations and bring appropriate clothing; prepare light footwear to facilitate visits and investigations; attend the important activities of the Seminar in formal wear or national costume; 7. Please bring a small amount of common medicines as necessary.		
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About the Organizer	<p>Yangling Demonstration Zone was established in 1997 as China's first national-level agricultural high-tech industrial demonstration zone. In 2011, the Ministry of Commerce set up the "China Arid Agriculture Technology Aid Training Base" in Yangling to host training programs for developing countries. Yangling Demonstration Zone is one of the most enriched areas in terms of agricultural science and technology, talent, and resources in China. It houses over 110 provincial and ministerial-level agricultural research institutions and platforms, including the Chinese Academy of Sciences' Institute of Soil and Water Conservation and the Institute of Water-Saving Agriculture in Arid Areas. The zone boasts a concentration of over 70 disciplines related to agriculture, forestry, and water, and hosts over 7,000 agricultural science and technology talents. It is also designated as the "Belt and Road" Modern Agriculture International Cooperation Center supported by the State Council.</p> <p>Since 2005, Yangling has undertaken over 160 training programs for various assistance projects, with more than 4,600 participants from over 130 countries. Leveraging the rich scientific and educational resources of institutions like Northwest A&F University, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Chang'an University, and the Chinese Academy of Sciences' Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, it has developed ten core training themes focusing on agricultural economic management, facility agriculture, water-saving irrigation, soil and water conservation, animal husbandry, e-commerce, public infrastructure construction, governance capacity building, and poverty alleviation cooperation. These themes are supported by a comprehensive curriculum system and training materials covering water-saving, soil and water conservation, and facility agriculture. Moreover, Yangling has established a team of over 120 full-time and part-time experts, including academicians such as Shao Ming'an and recipients of the Thousand Talents Program like Wang Zhaohui and Fan Junliang.</p> <p>Since 2005, Yangling has hosted over 80 training programs in agricultural economic management, agricultural park construction, and agricultural technology, including eight ministerial-level seminars on agricultural economic management. In this field, it has built a team of over 60 full-time and part-time experts from institutions like Northwest A&F University, China Agricultural University, Nanjing Agricultural University, and the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences. Additionally, it has established over 20 professional inspection points focusing on economic orchards, breeding, rural collective economic development, showcasing China's achievements and practices in various aspects of rural land circulation, rural professional cooperative development, rural revitalization, poverty alleviation through industry, water-saving irrigation, facility agriculture, smart agriculture, and ecological agriculture. With its strong faculty and diverse on-site inspection points, Yangling has accumulated rich experience in hosting such training programs.</p>	

Seminar Content	<p>1.Main Training Courses and Contents</p> <p>(1) Agricultural and Rural Development: Introduce China's main practices and achievements in agricultural industry development and rural revitalization. Emphasize practical experiences in constructing a modern agricultural system and exploring characteristic agricultural economic development models. Also, discuss methods for improving agricultural economic management under new development circumstances.</p> <p>(2) Transformation and Upgrading of Modern Agriculture and Integrated Development of Multiple Industries: Present the development process of agricultural industries, the challenges faced by traditional agricultural industries, and the methods for promoting industrial upgrading and the integrated development of multiple industries tailored to local conditions. Share successful case studies.</p> <p>(3) Construction of Inclusive Financial Systems in Rural Areas: Describe China's institutional design and policy support for constructing inclusive financial service systems in rural areas. Highlight the role of inclusive financial systems in supporting agricultural and rural development.</p> <p>(4)Case Analysis of Inclusive Finance in Alleviating Rural Poverty: Explain how the expansion of inclusive finance and the diversification of financial services in rural areas, through policy finance, development finance, commercial finance, and cooperative finance, can support rural poverty alleviation and industrial development.</p> <p>(5) Construction of Farmer Professional Cooperatives: Discuss the advantages of agricultural professional cooperatives in the development of agricultural industry clusters, the role of resource integration, and policy support for the construction of professional cooperatives.</p> <p>(6) Operation and Management of Farmer Professional Cooperatives: Address the establishment of management systems for farmer professional cooperatives, including the formulation of development plans, resource coordination, professional talent training, and brand building.</p> <p>(7) Development of Specialty Agricultural Products: Explain the development of specialty agricultural products based on local resource endowments, the creation of local brands, and the formation of related industry practices.</p> <p>(8) Construction of Specialty Agricultural Product Industry Chains: Discuss the deep processing of agricultural products, the construction of marketing channels, and the development of public brands, focusing on expanding related industry chains around specialty agricultural products.</p> <p>(9) Agricultural Project Investment and Management: Analyze the necessity of investment in agricultural projects, market analysis, production and construction conditions, agricultural technology conditions, economic and social benefits, and risk analysis during the investment process.</p> <p>(10) Analysis of Typical Cases of Agricultural Project Investment: Use the World Bank's loan project for the development of rural communities in impoverished areas of Shaanxi Province as an example to analyze project approval, construction, and evaluation.</p> <p>(11) Characteristics of Agricultural Production and Development of Agricultural Insurance: Describe the risk characteristics of agricultural production, the development stages of agricultural insurance in China, the role of agricultural insurance in enhancing agricultural resilience, and analyze typical international cases of agricultural insurance development.</p> <p>2.Visit and Investigation</p> <p>(1) It is proposed to arrange for the students to visit and exchange at Xi'an Aiju Grain and Oil Industry Group Co., Ltd., to understand the company's main practices in grain cultivation, storage, processing, and overseas production base construction.</p> <p>(2) It is proposed to arrange for the students to visit and inspect the China National Research Institute of Food Fermentation Industries in Beijing, to understand the institute's research and participation in agricultural industry development in the fields of food engineering, food safety research, and standard information research. Emphasis will be placed on discussing the role of food fermentation industry in promoting the development of modern agricultural industries.</p> <p>(3) It is proposed to arrange for the students to visit the Yangling Smart Agriculture Industrial Park, to understand the role of facility agriculture and smart agriculture in increasing crop yields and promoting sustainable agricultural development.</p> <p>3.Cultural Experience</p>
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It is proposed to arrange for the students to visit the Great Wall, the Terracotta Warriors and Horses, Xi'an Museum, and other places for on-site inspections, to experience traditional Chinese culture and art.

4. Introduction of Main Lecturers

(1) Wang Hongmei: Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. She also serves as the Vice Dean of the College of Economics and Management. She is a member of the national-level ideological and political education teaching team for the course "Microeconomics." Her research focuses on regional economics and sustainable rural development, and she teaches courses such as macroeconomics and the development of rural collective economy.

(2) Niu Rong: Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. His main research interests include modern agricultural development models, the integration of the tertiary industry, and agricultural finance.

(3) Kong Rong: Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. He specializes in regional economic development and rural finance. He has published books on the mechanism analysis and empirical verification of inclusive finance in alleviating rural poverty and the impact of financial knowledge on the demand for agricultural land mortgage loans by farmers.

(4) Wang Yanan: Associate Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. His research focuses on agricultural product branding and agricultural industry chain management.

(5) Wang Yongqiang: Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. His research interests include agricultural product quality and safety management, green production behavior of farmers, operation and management of farmer cooperatives, and evaluation of agricultural investment projects.

(6) Luo Tianyuan: Associate Professor and master's supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. He specializes in agricultural insurance.

(7) Xue Jianhong: Professor and doctoral supervisor at the College of Economics and Management, Northwest A&F University. His research interests include agricultural economics, new institutional economics, and international trade of agricultural products.

To facilitate the exchange with Chinese experts, please prepare the exchange materials related to the training topics in your country, such as: Introduce the current situation and challenges facing the agricultural economic development in our country; the basis and demand for cooperation with Chinese agriculture.