

2012 China-Sweden Workshop

Multidisciplinary research on aging and health in a socio-cultural context

The 2012 China-Sweden Workshop, “Multidisciplinary research on aging and health in a socio-cultural context,” will be held 23–25 May 2012 at Jining Shengdu International Conference Center, Jining/Qūfu, Shandong, the People’s Republic of China.

The workshop is aimed at facilitating and strengthening contacts and new collaborations in the field of aging and health among researchers in China, Sweden, and other countries. The target audience is researchers, senior medical students, and doctoral students in the fields of geriatric epidemiology, preventive medicine, public health, social gerontology, and community medicine, as well as health care providers to elderly people.

The theme of the workshop is aging and health approached from a multidisciplinary perspective and taking into account the socio-cultural diversity between Eastern and Western countries. The workshop will provide an opportunity for in-depth discussions about how social and cultural diversity, genetic traits, lifestyles and dietary traditions, and health care service systems can affect the phenotypes of aging in various ways.

The workshop will include eight scientific sessions, which will focus on methodological issues in aging research, demographic transition, cognitive aging and dementia, epigenetics and aging, neuropsychology of aging, lifestyle and socio-cultural factors in aging and health, pharmacoepidemiology, and population-aging-related health economics. Experts in these fields from countries such as Sweden, Denmark, the United Kingdom, and China have been invited as keynote speakers. A special poster session will be devoted to postgraduate students and junior researchers, who can present and discuss their studies.

The Jining Medical University will take full responsibility for local organization of the workshop. We hope you will join us at the China-Sweden Workshop in May 2012.

DATES & PLACE: 23–25 May 2012, Shengdu International Conference Center, Jining High-tech Development Zone, Chongwen Road No. 8888, Jining, Shandong, China.

SPONSOR: The Swedish Council for Working Life and Social Research (FAS) (www.fas.se).

ORGANIZERS: Karolinska Institutet, Sweden; Jining Medical University, Shandong, China; and Jining First People’s Hospital, Shandong, China.

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACT: The abstract should include a title, the names of all authors, authors’ affiliations, the first author’s email address, and a maximum of 300 words of text

(Background & Purpose, Methods, Results, and Conclusions). Please send your abstract directly to Rui Wang at rui.wang@ki.se **no later than 5 March 2012**.

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION: Onsite registration will begin 22 May 2012. Registration is free of charge (the registration fee will be covered by the grant from FAS). The local organizing committee has reserved rooms for participants at the Shengdu International Conference Center. The estimated price for a standard single room is 500 yuan renminbi per night (discount price for conference). Please send the registration form below to Rui Wang at rui.wang@ki.se **no later than 20 March 2012**. The hotel fee can be paid when checking in or out.

Form for registration and hotel reservations: 2012 China-Sweden Workshop

Registration information
1. Full Name:
2. Affiliations & address:
3. Email & telephone:
Accommodation (estimated discount price for a single room: 500 yuan renminbi/night)
1. Conference Venue/Hotel: The Shengdu International Conference Center, Jining High-tech Development Zone, Chongwen Road No. 8888, Jining, Shandong, China
2. Hotel reservation: Date of check-in: Date of check-out:
Your Signature: _____ Date:_____
Printed name: _____

VISA: An official visa may be required for your travel to China. A letter of invitation can be issued for the purpose of applying for a visa to attend the workshop. Please contact Rui Wang if you need such a letter.

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