

**BRICS  
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**2 JULY 2017**

## **2017 BRICS Network University Annual Conference**

### **Zhengzhou Consensus**

We, the members of the International Governing Board (IGB) of the BRICS Network University (BRICS NU) have met on July 2-3, 2017 at the 2017 BRICS NU Annual Conference, sponsored by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China and organized by North China University of Water Resources and Electric Power.

Themed "Pragmatic Cooperation and International Education", this Annual Conference was divided into a Plenary Session of BRICS NU, an IGB Meeting, a University Presidents' Round-table Meeting, and ITG Meetings in 6 priority fields. This Conference was successful and achieved the following consensus:

We fully respect all principles defined in the *Memorandum of Understanding on Establishment of the BRICS Network University* signed at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the BRICS Ministers of Education in November 2015, and the *New Delhi Declaration* adopted at the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BRICS Ministers of Education in September 2016.

We fully affirm all achievements of the BRICS Network University since its establishment. We further recognize all resolutions



passed at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of BRICS NU, held at Ural Federal University, Russia in April 2016 and at the BRICS NU IGB Meeting which was held at Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay in September 2016.

We believe that participating in the BRICS NU will play an important role in enhancing cooperation and exchanges among all member universities, strengthening their visibility, impact and competitiveness.

We believe that the BRICS NU requires an efficient organizational model for its sustainable development. At this annual conference, we discussed and signed *Regulations of the International Governing Board of the BRICS Network University* and *Statute for the BRICS Network University International Thematic Groups*. These documents will help to regulate joint activities of member universities under the BRICS NU framework.

The experience of the pilot universities through the running of credit-bearing summer/winter camps and exchange programmes will be brought to the attention of all member universities for their consideration. This is an example of pragmatic and efficient multilateral cooperation.

We believe that, in the BRICS spirit of *openness, inclusiveness and win-win cooperation*, the BRICS NU will, in time, expand areas and levels of cooperation, strengthen mutual exchanges and set an example for multilateral cooperation in higher education.

We are grateful for all efforts of the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China for successfully holding this annual conference, and for the warm reception and considerate arrangement of the People's Government of Henan Province, under its Education Department and Leading Group Office for International Cooperation.

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At the IGB meeting on 2nd July 2017

Zhengzhou, China

For Brazil

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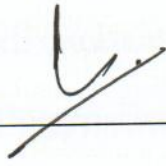
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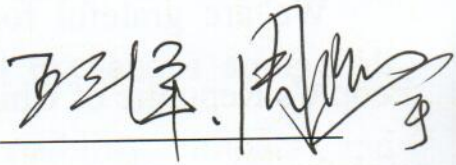


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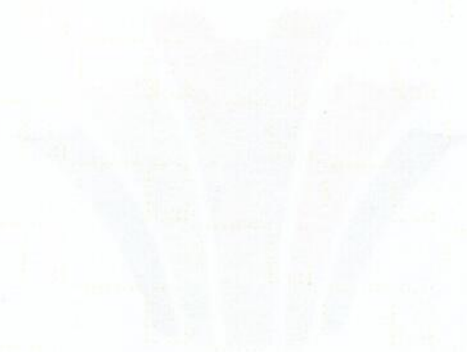
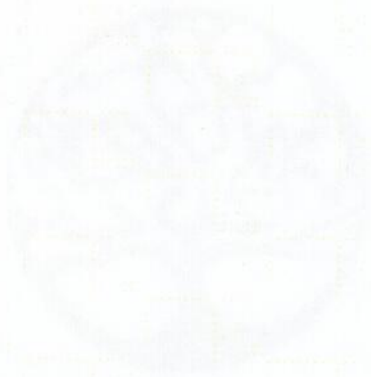


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