THE IGU-AGLE COMMISSION/TASK FORCE REPORT 2021

A. Membership

Following are the details of the IGU-AGLE steering committee members, please find below my details:

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B. Meetings

a. The Fourth International Conference of the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on Agricultural Geography and Land Engineering (AGLE) was held online (planned to be held in Montpellier, France), March 24-26, 2021. Over 100 Scholars from 25 different countries participated in this conference. The conference theme is “Thinking Urban-Rural interactions through Food and Land Uses issues” which focuses on the analysis of urban-rural interactions by way of food and land issues.
b. IGU-AGLE organizes the session at the Paris IGC in July 2022
Professor Guy, Liu and Li successfully applied for the session, which already puts the IGU Paris 2022 Centennial Congress on the road to success.
Title of the session: Global Sustainable Agriculture and Land Management Systems
Reference of the submission: A101334GR

C. Networking

a. The IGU-AGLE chair Yansui Liu and his team visited Yang county, south Shaanxi Province, Dec. 4-5, 2021. There they communicated with local governments and reached an agreement to jointly establish a demonstration base of modern agriculture and rural revitalization at Young county. Besides, the Fifth International Conference of the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on Agricultural Geography and Land Engineering (AGLE) is planned to be held in Yang county in 2022.

Field visit to IGU-AGLE research base at Yang county

b. The IGU-AGLE executive member Yuheng Li was invited to organize and chair a session with the topic “Building resilience to poverty reduction in Asia” which lists in the First Workshop of Asian Young Geographers, Dec. 18-19, 2021. The organizers include Young Geographer Working Group of Asian Geographical Association (AGA-YGWG), The IGU Task Force for Young and Early Career Geographers (IGU-YECG) and Working Committee for Young Geographers at The Geographical Society of China (GSC)
D. Publications


E. Archival Contributions

a. IGU-AGLE contributes two pieces news to the IGU Newsletters.
   - Other IGU recent books
   - Urban-Rural Transformation Geography
   This information appears in the IGU Newsletter October 2021
   IGU-UGI-e-Newsletter-October-2021.pdf

   - AWARDS
   2020 Prize for Science and Technology of Land and Resources (China)

   On October 5, 2021, the “Research on key technologies of comprehensive land consolidation in poverty-stricken areas around Beijing-Tianjin and its application in targeted poverty alleviation” hosted by Professor Yansui Liu, the Chairman of the IGU Commission Agriculture Geography and Land Engineering Commission of the International Geographical Union (IGU-AGLE) and the Fellow of The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), was awarded the first prize of 2020 Prize for Science and Technology of Land and Resources of the Ministry of Natural Resources of the People’s Republic of China.

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