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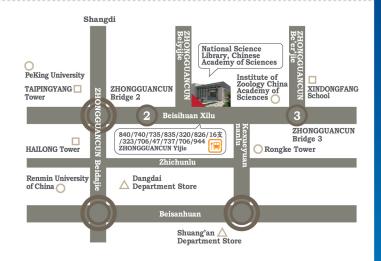
The Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) was founded in Beijing on November 1, 1949. Consisting of the Academic Divisions and various subordinate institutions, it is the lead national academic institution in natural sciences, a major advisory body to the government on science and technology related issues, and a national comprehensive research and development center in natural sciences and high technology areas in China.

CAS strives to build itself into a scientific research base at advanced international level, a base for fostering and bringing up advanced S&T talents, and a base for promoting the development of China's high and new technology industries.

CAS persistently support open access in CAS and China. The President LU Yongxiang signed the "Berlin Declaration" standing for CAS in 2003. After that, CAS contributes and supports the activities of open access, such as building the institutional repositories in each institutes, advocates and supports open access publishing and conferences.

As the signing member of the "Berlin Declaration", the Chinese Academy of Sciences is willing to host the "Berlin Conference" 2010 together with Max Planck Society, and consign National Science Library as the local organizing institute. We hope this conference will offer a great opportunity for research institutions and funding agencies not only in Europe, but also in pan-Pacific region to discuss the scientific concept of open access in details.





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### Theme:

Berlin Declaration: Implementation Progress, Best Practices, and Future Challenges

### Sub-themes:

- Trends in international open scholarly communications and open access (OA)
- Strategies and policies of planning and funding agencies
- OA strategies, policies, and implementation of R&D institutions
- Open Data and Open Science: Implications to OA
- Open Education and OER: Implications to OA
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- Administrative and operational issues in implementing OA
- Supporting infrastructure for sustainable OA
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With a staff of over 470 and a collection about 11.5 million items, the National Science Library (NSL), which has three branch libraries in Lanzhou City, Chengdu City and Wuhan City, serves 100+ CAS institutes in over 24 cities across China in natural and formal sciences, as well as inter-disciplinary fields. The National Science Library is also leading national efforts to build a powerful National Scientific Information Infrastructure, developing the subject librarian system and document service system for scientific and technological researches.

NSL has been leading the way in the development of open access in China. It is this focus on expanding the sharing of scholarship in the networked digital environment, as well as the emergence of new scholarly communication norms, that led to its participation in the open access movement.

In 2005, the Academy was in the early stages of developing an institutional policy in support of open access. In June 2005, an International Conference on Policies and Strategies for Open Access to Scientific Information was hosted by National Science Library, which is the first only one conference in open access field so far on mainland China.

As an essential part of NSL's open access strategy, the
National Science Library (NSL) considered the
development of a federated repository network—
the CAS institutional repository Grid (CAS-IR

Grid), on the basis
of the promotion of
institutional
repository implement
in CAS institutes. As a
best practice for the
other institutes, NSL
launched its IR in
February 2009, and
accumulated nearly 3000
articles in NSL-IR. Recently,
over 40 institutes of CAS
have gone in to the process

of IR development. A Chinese Open Access Portal has been established to build capacity and to advocate for open access.

NSL just became the institutional membership of BioMed Central to provide a chance for the researchers of CAS to try and participate in open access publishing.

NSL also participates in some international organizations to push forward open access, such as eIFL, DRIVER. COAR and so on.

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41	2004	Egypt	Bibliotheca Alexandrina
40	2004	China	National Natural Science Foundation of China
39	2004	Switzerland	CERN (European Organization for Nuclear Research - Organisation européenne pour la recherche nucléaire)
38	2005	Italy	Università degli Studi di Pavia
38	2004	Italy	Università degli Studi di Pavia
37	2004	Germany	Institute for Science Networking Oldenburg GmbH an der Carl von Ossietzky University
36	2004	India	Indian National Science Academy
35	2004	United Kingdom	Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition Europe
34	2004	United States of America	Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition International
33	2004	Italy	Biblioteca Interateneo Digitale della Sapienza, Università di Roma "La Sapienza"
32	2004	France	Institut Pasteur
31	2004	France	European Geosciences Union
30	2004	Belgium	Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique
29	2004	Norway	Universitetet i Bergen
28	2003	China	Chinese Academy of Sciences
27	2003	Italy	"Aureo Anello" Associazione Biblioteca e Bottega Fioretta Mazzei e Amici del Cimitero

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