

2019 Annual Letter from BRCHGA

Dear BRCHGA members and friends,

The Belt and Road Cultural Heritage Global Alliance was established on May 11, 2019 with the guidance of Shaanxi Provincial Cultural Heritage Administration (SPCHA), China. Though it is a young alliance, BRCHGA has witnessed the substantial growth since its establishment. With the approaching of the New Year of 2020, please allow Northwestern Polytechnical University (NPU), the initiator and Secretariat of the alliance, to express its sincere gratitude for all your efforts and contributions and wish you a happy New Year!

BRCHGA is established to promote scientific research, cultural exchange and effective conservation on cultural heritage and to maintain the precious cultural heritage so that it could be inherited to future generations. The alliance aims to promote the development of cultural undertakings with the innovative research of cultural heritage, promote humanistic and cultural exchange among countries and regions along the Belt and Road, serve scientific conservation, talent cultivation, skill training and effective utilization of international cultural heritage.

The 53 initial members of the alliance come from 14 countries including Azerbaijan, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and China. The 1st Academic Symposium of BRCHGA was held on the day of its establishment and 11 experts were invited to give keynote speeches.





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With the support and trust from all its members, the alliance organized many meaningful and impressive events in 2019. In order to expand international perspectives of young scholars and students, enhance friendship and enrich summer time, the 1st BRCHGA Summer Camp was held in August in Xi'an, China, which was jointly hosted by BRCHGA, NPU and SPCHA, organized by the Office of International Cooperation and the Institute of Cultural and Heritage of NPU.



This summer camp attracted over 40 young scholars, teachers and museum staffs from 21 members of the alliance. Scholars and experts were invited to present their scientific research and findings on inheritance, development and innovation of cultural heritage in the new era, new technology development and new outlook. Participants also took part in various activities and gala.





In September, the International Academic Conference of BRCHGA and the 1st Academic Symposium on Technology, Art and Archaeology Contacts between East and West in Ancient Gold was held in Xi'an, China, which was jointly hosted by BRCHGA and NPU, organized by the Institute of Cultural and Heritage of NPU, co-organized by the Office of Science and Technology and the Office of International Cooperation of NPU. The purpose was to explore the material science and cultural communication in the ancient Eurasian continent and the technology exchanges of early gold process from the perspective of inter-discipline and diversity, and boost cooperation among natural science, social science and humanities. More than 80 well-known scholars, students and enthusiasts from universities, research institutions and cultural institutions in America, Korea, Russia, China and other countries attended the conference.





In October, the 2nd Academic Symposium of BRCHGA and the 5th Cultural Heritage Interdisciplinary Advanced Forum was held in Xi'an, China, which was jointly hosted by BRCHGA and Shaanxi Association for Science Technology, organized by the Institute of Cultural and Heritage, Office of Discipline Construction, Office of International Cooperation and the Association for Science and Technology of NPU. More than 80 experts and scholars from universities and cultural institutions in America, Hungary, Italy, Mongolia, Poland attended the forum.

Diversity spurs interaction among cultures, which in turn promotes mutual learning and further development. The experts and scholars shared their deep insight and high perspicacity on the forum's theme and exchanged their ideas and opinions.



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Since the establishment of the alliance, more research institutions, cultural institutions and universities from different countries have applied for BRCHGA membership. The organizations listed below are sorted by their country names and are approved as would-be members upon the application verification by the Office of the BRCHGA Secretariat. The formal membership will be qualified in the coming 1st BRCHGA Council Meeting to be held in 2020. The membership certificates will be issued accordingly.

No.	Country	Organization
1	Hungary	Hungarian National Museum (HNM)
2	Hungary	Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Faculty of Humanities
3	Italy	Center for Colloid and Surface Science (CSGI)
4	Italy	University of Florence
5	P.R. China	Shanxi Folk Arts Museum
6	P.R. China	Tang West Market Museum
7	P.R. China	Xi'an Micro Wise System Co., Ltd.
8	P.R. China	History Department of Xiamen University

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In 2019, BRCHGA would like to extend sincere appreciation to all members and friends. Let us join hands and embrace a brighter future.

In 2020, by improving the management and operation mechanism of BRCHGA, BRCHGA will carry out humanistic exchange open and inclusively, expand mutually beneficial humanistic cooperation in multiple disciplines and levels, play a significant supporting and leading role of science, technology, application and innovation in cultural heritage protection, and promote the vision of "the Belt and Road".

In 2020, various activities of the alliance will be held in different countries organized by members as follows. Look forward to your participation!

- 2020 BRCHGA Summer Camp, July 2020, in Italy
- The 1st BRCHGA Council Meeting and the 6th Cultural Heritage
 Interdisciplinary Advanced Forum, October 2020, in NPU, Xi'an, China

Wish you all a Happy New Year!

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Note:

We would like to update the contact information of all BRCHGA members. Please fill in the form as attached in the Appendix 1: 2019 Contact Information, and send it back to brcsia@nwpu.edu.cn, before January 5, 2020.