



The Alliance of International Science Organizations

The Alliance of International Science Organizations (ANSO) was officially launched in 4 November 2018 in Beijing. The First ANSO General Assembly was held 4-5 Nov., 2018 conjunct with the "Second International Science Forum of Scientific Organizations on the Belt and Road Initiative". About 700 scientists and experts from more than 40 countries attended this important event.

ANSO is a non-profit, non-governmental international scientific organization founded by the Chinese Academy of Sciences and 36 other international science and education institutions from around the world. ANSO came into being under the principles of "joint consultation, joint effort and joint sharing" championed by the Chinese "Belt and Road Initiative".

ANSO is committed to promoting shared development, sustainable development and the advancement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through catalyzing and implementing concrete international cooperation initiatives in Science, Technology & Innovation and Capacity Building (STIC).

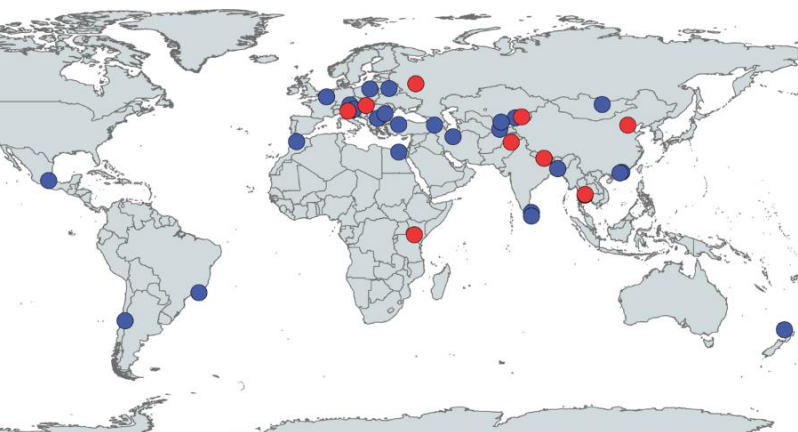
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ANSO Recent Activities



I . Establish the ANSO Working Group

The First Governing Board (GB) meeting and the First General Assembly (GA) were held in 4-5 November 2019 in Beijing, in which lots of comments, suggestions were raised to modify the ANSO Statutes and ANSO Development Strategy. The summary of GA and GB meetings was sent to all the members by ANSO secretariat with revised ANSO Statutes and Development Strategy.

To further strengthen the communication and collaboration among ANSO members, the establishment of ANSO working group was agreed by Governing Board members in last November. To follow up this decision, invitations were sent out to all ANSO members to nominate a contact person joining the ANSO working group. In the end, about 18 persons are recommended by Governing Board members and other founding members to constitute the ANSO Working Group. The first ANSO working group meeting will be held in 13-14 May 2019 in Beijing.



II . Design the ANSO Logo & Website

By the end of Nov 2018, 9 design proposals of ANSO logo were completed by ANSO secretariat. After several rounds of internal discussion, 2 design proposals were sent to all ANSO members for their opinions and comments. We received 17 replies among which 13 expressed preference to design B (as shown below). Therefore, this design was adopted as the official logo of ANSO.



For the official ANSO website, the domain name www.anso.org.cn was registered by ANSO secretariat in December of 2018. By now, the frame design and construction have been finished, the website is currently under final testing. It is anticipated that the website will be launched by the end of March 2019. In addition, the ANSO Brochure will be published soon.



III . Recruit For The ANSO Secretariat

The recruitment information for ANSO secretariat was released in December 2018, we received 25 applications in 1 month. After preliminary screening, written examination and two rounds of interview, 4 applicants finally joined the Secretariat. Moreover, recruitment information for foreign experts was also released via LinkedIn in Sep 2018. 102 applications were received, in which 2 applicants from outside China will be accepted and supported by CAS PIFI program.

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IV. Set Up ANSO Prize

In November 2018, All-China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese agreed to provide 5 million RMB to sponsor the establishment of ANSO S&T Cooperation Prize for Development (hereafter as ANSO Prize) and relevant activities. The ANSO Prize is set up to award individuals and organizations who gain outstanding achievements in promoting cross-regional, multi-sectorial and multi-disciplinary cooperation in science, technology and innovation (STI).

There are five types of the ANSO Prize for Individuals:

- Lifetime Achievement Award;
- Outstanding Contribution Award;
- Outstanding Women Award;
- Youth Leader Award;
- Cooperation Coordination Award.

There are two types of the ANSO Prize for Organizations:

- STI Cooperation Outstanding Contribution Award;
- STI Cooperation Outstanding Progress Award.

The entry conditions, evaluation methods and incentive standards have been discussed many times. The final version of the implementation plan will be formulated soon.



V. Develop ANSO Collaborative Research

To cope with the global challenges, to meet the urgent requests of S&T support to regional socio-economic development, ANSO will initiate a series of collaborative research programs related to the sustainable development, environmental protection, green technology as well as human well-beings by collaborating with all the ANSO members.

The science orientated programs will be focused on:

- Climate Change and Adaptation, Natural Disaster
- Water Resource and Water Security
- Air Pollution and Human Health
- Ecosystem and Biodiversity
- Combating Desertification
- Energy Security
- S&T Policy and Strategy on Sustainable Development
- Big Data

The human well-being orientated programs will be focused on:

- Agriculture and Food Security
- Public Health,
- Poverty Alleviation
- Disaster reduction



VI. Release the ANSO Strategic Plan

Strategy plan is crucial for long-term development and operation of ANSO. Following the ANSO working group meeting in 13-14 May 2019, the ANSO Strategy Plan drafting workshop will be hosted by ANSO secretariat in 15-17 May in Beijing. The first draft will be accomplished by the end of July, and will be sent to all the ANSO members for further revision. The ANSO strategy plan is targeted to be released in the 2nd ANSO governing board meeting in the end of October in 2019.

Upcoming Events in 2019

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May 11-12

**International Conference on Silk-roads
Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable
Development**

Beijing | China | May 11-12, 2019

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Late Aug.

**ANSO International Conference on Biodiversity in
Drylands and Wetlands:
*Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century***

Maasai Mara | Kenya | Late August, 2019

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May 13-14

ANSO Working Group Meeting

Beijing | China | May 13-14, 2019

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Late Oct.

The 2nd ANSO Governing Board meeting

Beijing | China | Late October, 2019

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May 15-17

ANSO Strategic Plan Drafting Workshop

Beijing | China | May 15-17, 2019

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Late Oct.

**2019 "Belt and Road" International Young Scientist
Technology Development Summit and ANSO Young
Scientist Tech Transfer Award**

Hangzhou | China | Late October, 2019

Photo Gallery of the First ANSO General Assembly

