China-Europe Soya Symposium
and Study Tour 2017

30 July - 10 August 2017

Beijing | Dezhou | Jilin | Heilongjiang
An invitation to connect with China's soy development community by participating in:

**The first China-Europe Soya Symposium**
31 July, 2017 | Beijing

**The 10th National Soybean Research Conference**
01 – 02 August, 2017 | Beijing

**A study tour to the origin of the soybean and to related research institutes and businesses**
03 – 10 August, 2017 | Beijing and northern China

**Organisers**

- Donau Soja Organisation
- Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences Institute of Crop Sciences
- The Crop Science Society of China
- Chinese Soybean Specialized Committee
A unique opportunity for collaborating in China

Arising from the close collaboration between Donau Soja and the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, we are very pleased to be able to offer you a unique opportunity to join a study tour to China and join Chinese partners in supporting the development of the soybean and its value chains.

China is different. To support collaboration in developing value chains, the study tour will start with a Donau Soja-hosted workshop on the afternoon of 30 July in Beijing. Matthias Krön, Chairman of Donau Soja and expert in Chinese culture, will speak from his extensive business experiences in China.

This is followed on 31 July by the first China-Europe Soya Symposium at the Institute of Crop Sciences. You are invited to join the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (China’s top National Agricultural Research Institutions with branches all over China), the Chinese Crop Science Society, and the Chinese Soybean Specialized Committee in the first China-Europe Soya Symposium at the Institute of Crop Sciences. Matchmaking and exchange among participants will be supported by a speed-dating event. The China-Europe Soya Symposium will conclude with an evening reception in a cosy atmosphere. To help participants to follow-up on discussions with Chinese partners, meeting rooms for bilateral discussions will be provided on 1 and 02 August.

All Symposium participants from Europe are invited to join the 10th Chinese Soybean Research Conference taking place on 1-3 Aug 2017 in the Beijing Friendship Hotel. Taking place in conjunction with the China-Europe Symposium, this conference is a quadrennial gathering of 600 leading Chinese entrepreneurs, scientists and technologists working along the soybean value chain.

The conference will be followed by visits to leading Chinese soybean enterprises and research institutions in Beijing and Northern China (Shandong, Jilin, Heilongjiang) from 3 August until 10 August. These visits will provide deep insights into research & innovation, plant breeding, processing, marketing and production.

Building lasting alliances in China needs a broad awareness of China’s history and culture. Donau Soja offers a cultural programme for all participants and accompanying persons during the stay in Beijing (30 July – 3 Aug).

The China-Europe Symposium is your Symposium and so we invite you to share your expectations or any recommendations to improve the programme. Since our Chinese partners are also well connected in related scientific and business areas and communities, we can try to support also satellite meetings during your stay in China.
30 July

**Briefing - Business and customs in China**

Beijing, 2pm local time, venue to be confirmed

31 July

**China-Europe Soya Symposium**

Beijing, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Institute of Crop Sciences

**Meeting of leading soybean entrepreneurs and scientists from Europe and China**

This event will provide insights into the Chinese and European soybean world including production, processing, marketing, research and society. This event will update all participants and set up a fruitful environment for an exchange and matchmaking between Chinese and European participants using an associated speed-dating event. The language of the Symposium is English. Chinese-English translators will support the success of the meeting and the speed-dating. Presentations from leading European and Chinese speakers will include the following topics:

- Soybean food and feed market: joint business opportunities
- Agricultural policy
- Soybean research capabilities: Who’s who in soy research and innovation
- Latest developments in maximizing the nitrogen-fixation in soybean crops
- Innovations in soybean crop production technology
- Consumer aspirations, demands and the role of labelling

**Evening Event: TBC**

01 - 02 August

**The 10th National Soybean Research Conference**

Beijing Friendship Hotel, 1 Zhongguancun South Street

**Participate to a quadrennial gathering of leading Chinese soybean experts**

All branches related to the development of soybean production, processing and use will contribute with presentations, booths, and associated meeting corners. This offers participants an unprecedented opportunity to meet Chinese counterparts and potential partners. The official conference language is Chinese. Donau Soja will provide an English translation service for participants.

Link to event website of the China Crop Science Society,

**For exhibitors**

Are you interested to make your company more prominent during these meetings? Then consider also the possibility of renting a booth. Donau Soja will gladly discuss with you prices, conditions, and further questions upon request. Donau Soja will also rent a booth, if you are interested in joining the Donau Soja booth please contact us.
03 - 10 August

Study tour to the origin of the soybean and to related research institutes and businesses
Beijing and Northern China

A premium and fully organised study tour

03 Aug | Beijing, China National Cereals, Oil & Foodstuffs Corp, COFCO
04 Aug | Dezhou, Shandong Yuwang Group
06 Aug | Changchun, Jilin Academy of Agricultural Sciences
07 Aug | Harbin, Heilongjiang Academy of Agricultural Sciences
        Binxi Kenfeng Seed Industry
08 Aug | Heilongjiang, Guhe Group
09 Aug | Beijing, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences
10 Aug | Departure to Europe

How to participate / expenses

Registration: Edit your information in this auto return mail by clicking HERE. We will send further details regarding the journey and the payment procedures to the entered email address. If you have a problem in opening this link, or the opened window is empty please contact us (events@donausoja.org) and provide following details about the participant (Full name, Organisation, desired package, further interests).

Expenses: Included services: organisation fee, hotels, travelling within China, professional translation (CN/EN), guided tours. Please note that following prices are tentative and might change depending on the number of participants.

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This study tour package does not include travelling to and from China. Participants also need to make their own visa arrangements. Please check your visa requirements. Donau Soja can support this part of the organisation of your trip and provide you with an invitation letter.

If you have any specific requirements or interests please contact us.

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About the companies and institutes

**China National Cereals, Oil & Foodstuffs Corp, COFCO.** COFCO Group is China's largest food processing, manufacturer and trader and creates a wholly-new business model to build a fully-integrated value chain covering all links from the farmland to the dining table. Participants can expect extensive insights into the business of one of largest soybean buyer on the globe and an exchange of market information. Web: [http://www.cofco.com/en/index.html](http://www.cofco.com/en/index.html)

**Shandong Yuwang Group.** Shandong Yuwang Industrial Co., Ltd. is a group company headquartered in Yucheng city of Shandong Province of China. It is engaged in soybean deep processing, biopharmaceuticals, fine chemicals, and advanced carbon/ceramic material industries. The Yuwang Group is appraised as a National Hi-tech Enterprise, National Leading Enterprise for Agriculture Industrialization, Nationwide Outstanding Enterprise in Food Industry, Model Enterprise for Initiating Management System of Integrating Information into Industrialization. Mr. Yuwang is the Chairman of China Soy Protein Association. Web: [http://www.yuwangqz.com/](http://www.yuwangqz.com/)

**Jilin Academy of Agricultural Sciences.** Jilin Academy of Agricultural Sciences (JAAS) is one of the oldest agricultural research institutions in China. The Soybean Research Institute (SRI) was the first to collect wild soybean in China and took the leading position in basic study of wild soybean biology and germplasm utilization. The first modern soybean varieties developed by hybridization in the world (“hybrid soy no.1”) were bred here. More than 130 soybean varieties have been developed and released by JAAS so far. SRI has good facilities for plant phenotyping at its experimental base and laboratories. There are more than 10,000 soybean germplasm preserved at SRI including 6,500 cultivated varieties and 3,500 wild soybean accessions. Web: [www.jaas.com.cn](http://www.jaas.com.cn)

**Heilongjiang Academy of Agricultural Sciences.** The Academy consists 32 branch institutes distributed in various agricultural and ecological zones of the whole province and includes the National Soybean Germplasm Improvement Centre. During the past 30 years, it has developed a full range research system mainly on soybean genetics and breeding and also extended to crop cultivation, resources and photosynthetic ecology, crop physiology and biochemistry, plant protection, soil agricultural chemistry, molecular biology, soybean processing and technology. Moreover, it has selected and promoted 80 new soybean varieties, among which commercial varieties have been promoted and covered more than 80% of soybean planting area in Heilongjiang Province and accounting for more than 45% nationwide.

**Binxi Kenfeng Seed Co., Ltd.** Kenfeng Seed is a large scale, modern comprehensive state-holding seed company with the integration of R&D, production, processing, sales, service and import & export business for the whole seed industry chain with multiple crops operation. Kenfeng R&D Center combines the modern information technology and introduces high-pass molecular devices equipped with marker-assisted, GMO and quality inspection, DH lab and plant phenotypic appraisal platform to carry out information processing including screening, combining and selecting the crop breeding materials. It has a very stable production base in Heilongjiang, Inner Mongolia, Gansu, Xinjiang and Ningxia provinces. The Company has 78 seed processing lines, 1 million cubic meter storage area and its annual production and storage capability reaches up to 220,000 MT. Web: [http://en.kenfeng.com/](http://en.kenfeng.com/)

**Guhe Group** is a large scaled producer of soybeans (200,000 tons/year) and input supplier and includes an extensive network of contract farmers. Web [www.guhegroup.cn](http://www.guhegroup.cn)

**Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, CAAS.** The Institute of Crop Science (ICS) of CAAS is a non-profit state-owned institute. ICS has a long history on the soybean breeding and cultivation since 1957. Now it is one of the most significant research centers for the study of soybean genetics and breeding in China. ICS has also owned a Beijing National Soybean Improvement Sub-Center, which aims to breed novel varieties with various traits, including high-yield, good-quality, multi-resistance, and wide adaptability. At the same time applied basic research was conducted in the population improvement, high-yield cultivation methods, resistance genetics, developmental physiology, biochemical quality traits, etc.

Based on the genetic resources of the National Crop Gene Bank, ICS has become the largest soybean germplasm resource center in the world with more than thirty thousand accessions of soybean germplasm. Since 2000, sixty-eight varieties of soybean were registered including twenty-two cultivars approved by MOA. Especially, soybean cv. Zhonghuang13 has been planted in more than four provinces and become the most widely cultivated variety with the largest planting area in China. Web: [http://ics.caas.cn/sites/caas/](http://ics.caas.cn/sites/caas/)