



YUFE promotes international cooperation



International students enjoy studying and living in Bangkok Business School (File Photo)

For Yunnan University of Finance and Economics (YUFE), this year is an important year for its international school, because its overseas education program with Bangkok Business School will have its first graduates.

At the end of 2013 the Bangkok Business School, which was established by the Yunnan University of Finance and Economics and Thailand's Rangsit University, was approved by the Ministry of Education of China and the Ministry of Education of Thailand. It was Yunnan's first academic education institution to open overseas. Bangkok Business School began enrollment in 2014 and currently has 120 students.

Bangkok Business School shares the facilities with Rangsit University. The two sides jointly formulate training programs. The Yunnan University of Finance and Economics assigns high-level teachers to Thailand to undertake core curriculum teaching in various professional personnel training programs. According to Zhang Honglie, dean of the Yunnan University of Finance and Economics Bangkok Business School and vice president of the International Business School, the Yunnan University of Finance and Economics' overseas education and the establishment of academic education are projects to further implement education "going out"

strategy. They are also an innovative way to serve and integrate the Belt and Road Initiative.

Zhang Honglie said that with the deepening of China's reform and opening up, its economic development experience has become the focus of the world's attention. Bangkok Business School provides a systematic Chinese financial and economic education for foreign students from various countries. At the same time, it arranges for students to study for a period of time at the Kunming Campus. Students can gain a deeper understanding of China's economic and social development. People trained in this way not only understand China but also understand

the actual situation in their respective countries, and are sought after in the job market. Bangkok Business School also participated in the GMS e-commerce research and social service training program, which was well received by the enterprises.

The building of the China-Australia Joint Business School means that the model of Bangkok Business school has been recognized and promoted, which will add more pride to Zhang Honglie and her colleagues, because it means that Bangkok Business School's model has been recognized and promoted.

Economic and trade exchanges between China and Australia have become increasingly close. The cooperation between Yunnan University of Finance and Economics and Australia's Charles Sturt University has gone very well, which has laid the foundation for the opening of the China-Australia Joint Business School. It is reported that completing perfecting the operation of the Bangkok Business School and promoting the establishment of the China-Australia Joint Business School are the main tasks for Yunnan University of Finance and Economics in internationalization for this year. Based

on operational the experience in operation and the needs of Belt and Road initiative, overseas cooperation in education will be promoted for broader greater and deeper levels of development.

According to previous reportings, in recent years, Yunnan Province, taking advantage of its regional advantages, has accelerated the opening up of its educational institutions to the outside world. This has helped to attract a large number of students from South and Southeast Asia eager to pursue further studies.

Last year, the number of international students in Yunnan exceeded 18,000, ranking among top ten in the country.

"The international influence of Yunnan's educational system, especially its influence in South and Southeast Asia, has been further strengthened," said Zhou Rong, director of the Yunnan Provincial Department of Education.

Yunnan is building itself into a pivot of China's opening up to South and Southeast Asia. A clear majority of international students in the province are from South and Southeast Asian countries. In 2017 alone, more than 10,000 students from these countries came to study in the province.

(Liu Ziyu and Han Chengyuan)

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Yunnan University of Finance and Economics (YUFE) was established in 1951. It was designated as a provincial key university by the Yunnan provincial government in 1995. Since 1999, it has enrolled masters level graduate students. After more than 60 years of development, the university has formed a multi-level educational system that integrates undergraduate and graduate (include master's and doctoral) programs, international student program and continuing education program, and became a multi-disciplinary university that focuses on economics, management, and the collaborative development of law, philosophy, literature, science, engineering, and art.

With the motto of "learn vigorously and practice earnestly, be virtuous and ambitious", YUFE has been striving to become a well-known finance and economy-oriented university and open itself to the world by hosting academics and students from home and abroad.

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China's reforms in new era bode well for world economy: Albanian expert

By pushing forward reforms in the new era, China will further promote its economic growth and positive international influence, said an Albanian political veteran.

That is good news for the world economy and global stability, said Dorian Duka, external adviser to Albanian Prime Minister Edi Rama on investments, in a recent interview with Xinhua.

Among the planned major reforms is one on the structure of the State Council, or China's cabinet, aimed at building a better-structured, more efficient and service-oriented government.

Once approved by the National People's Congress (NPC), China's top legislature, it would be the Asian country's biggest government restructuring in years, in which the State Council would have 15 fewer entities at ministerial or vice-ministerial levels.

"These reforms in Chinese state structures will give the market a vital role in allocating the right resources for China to continue building a modern economy and maintaining

not only high but also quality growth," commented Duka.

The new reforms, he noted, indicate China's resolve to fight corruption, improve business environment and boost the performance of state bodies and market players.

The proposed regulations and policies offer an excellent sign that China will carry out reforms to meet its people's needs and expectations, added Duka.

Also, **amid the current shaky international developments, the world needs to have a stronger China to advance global economic growth and ensure that free and fair trade prevails against protectionist policies,** he said.

He added that he believes that enshrining Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era into the Chinese Constitution is a strong recognition that the thought can serve as a guideline for China's reforms, which will not only be inked in paper but also become a reality. And such a reality will also benefit the international community.

(Xinhua)

Yoga and movies help India polish its image in China

As a ticket seller in a cinema in Beijing's Haidian district, Ying had a busy weekend tending to swarms of moviegoers filling the theater to watch the latest imported Indian movie, *Bajranghi Bhaijaan*.

This is the most recent Indian film to enter the Chinese market and has shown strong growth at the local box office, with 55 million yuan (\$8.67 million) in revenue within 72 hours after its debut.

Indeed, Chinese audiences have in just the past few years seen more Bollywood films than ever.

Yoga clubs have, over the past two years, been popping up in Chinese cities like mushrooms after a rainy day as India continues to heavily promote the ancient art at a global level. Following Indian Minister Narendra Modi's visit to China

in May of 2015, the Chinese and Indian governments have also been cooperating on joint Yoga-Taichi events.

It even has entered the public school system in some cities across China.

The latest popular Indian movies reduced their traditional dancing and singing numbers, focusing more on discussing social ills - such as discrimination against women and the wealth gap - but in an upbeat, joyous way.

"India has done better work in stretching its soft power, which is partly because of their pride in their culture and their efforts in protecting their traditions," said Hu Zhiyong, a research fellow at the Institute of International Relations of the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences. (Global Times/ Liu Xin)



The Rangoon Dajida Natural Gas Combined Cycle Power Plant, a joint venture of China Yunnan Energy Investment Joint Venture Co., Ltd. and Myanmar held a ceremony marking its completion on March 17th. The power generation project with an installed capacity of 106 megawatts has begun to transmit electricity to help supply electricity in Myanmar. (Xinhua/ Wu Ang)

Yunnan film *A Roar of Wolf Troops* nominated at American film fest



The poster of *A Roar of Wolf Troops* (Photo by Li Yuechun)

At the Seventh New York Winter Film Awards International Film Festival held in New York on March 3rd, the Yunnan movie *A Roar of Wolf Troops* was nominated for best picture and best actress.

At the festival, *A Roar of Wolf Troops* was selected as the premiere film by the organizing committee and premiered in North America on February 25th. U.S. me-

dia conducted an exclusive interview with Wang Yong and other "wolf soldiers" creative personnel three times on the story source, character creation, the Zhuang people's war of resistance in the film, and the legend of Sanqi. In the end, the film was nominated for best film. The female star Xu Dongmei won the best actress nomination.

(Li Yuechun)

New profession in small village

"The work in the park will start tomorrow. Wear your uniform and bring your armband and make sure to get registered on time. Those selling things also need to register in advance ..." the Chinese New Year just passed, the loudspeaker in the village sounded. The prehistoric life and culture expo park in the village just completed its phase I construction and the park is beginning to take shape. In order to gain popularity during the Spring Festival holiday, the park has set up a light show, a drama party, a concert, etc. People in the village also have jobs this winter.

In winter, it is off season and leisure time. There is no labor in the fields or on the construction site. The villagers have no work to do. Thus, playing Majiang is a common choice for everyone.

Last year, the construction of a prehistoric life and culture expo park started in the small village county town of China in the village of his hometown. "The doorway was repaired." "The toilet was built." "A lot of dinosaurs were shipped in, and animals that they couldn't recognize" "had lights on." At the same time, based on the village reservoir, projects including breeding, sightseeing and a farmhouse restaurant are also in full swing. The river beach where the project is located could not be cultivated because of the reservoir's rising water, causing the villagers a headache. Now it has become a "treasure place" where people can make money.

The projects brings jobs, gardening, and setting up stalls, opening restaurants, planting bamboo and wil-

lows, making baskets, raising ducks... People in the village are busy. Many villagers plan not to go out to work in the coming year. After dinner, the villagers also chose to go to the park to look at the lights, skating, listening to the opera. Playing Majiang is no longer a daily pastime.

The villagers in uniform are inexpertly awkwardly maintaining order at the entrance to the park. The infrastructure in the garden has not yet been fully implemented. The people who set up stalls are red-checked in the open-air shed... but everything was in full swing. This village, once worrisome, but not willing to be left behind, is opening its eyes to explore and learn, and is ready to work hard! (from Central Commission for Discipline Inspection Department Website/ Guo Xing)

This year's China government work report puts forward: "Accelerating the construction of an innovative country. Grasping the world's new trend of scientific, technological revolution and industrial transformation, in-depth implementation of innovation-driven development strategy, and constantly enhancing economic innovation and competitiveness."

How should Yunnan implement deep innovation-driven development initiative? Yunnan representatives and members participating in the "two sessions" had heated discussions.

How should Yunnan implement deep innovation-driven development

"Last year we began planning and building an 11-square-kilometer science and educational innovation city to implement the integration of production and city, integration of production and education, and integration of production, learning and research," said Zhang Dehua, a deputy National People's Congress and mayor of Yuxi City.

Lama Xingqiao, a deputy of the National People's Congress and director of the Standing Committee of Kunming Municipal People's Congress, thinks that Kunming, Yuxi, and Chuxiong these three cities must actively

work and press ahead utmost to do a good job in the application and construction of their own districts, to provide other regions and cities with useful lessons in development.

"To be the one who loves agriculture, loves the countryside and loves the farmers in the new era." Li Xuelin, a member of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and Dean of the Provincial Academy of Agricultural Sciences, focused on "three rural issues". He said that as the vanguard of Yunnan's agricultural science and technology inno-

vation, the Provincial Academy of Agricultural Sciences should increase the transformation of scientific and technological achievements, better apply mature agricultural technologies and achievements to practice in Yunnan, and further strengthen the capacity building for scientific and technological innovation.

Zhao Yongping, deputy to the National People's Congress and chairman of Kunming Iron and Steel Holdings Co., Ltd. (Kunming Iron and Steel Group Co., Ltd.), believes that it is necessary to transform traditional industries through the integra-



Deputies of the National People's Congress are negotiating with each other (Photo by Lei Tongsu)

tion and application of intelligent manufacturing to improve the level of technological equipment and production efficiency, and at the same time to optimize the management system, layout of production capacity and product structure by eliminating indus-

tries that originally occupied a lot of land and have low production efficiency, replacing them with new industries with high equipment levels, energy conservation and environmental protection, and advanced and reliable industries. (Yunnan Daily)

