**Center for World Environmental History, Peking University**

In 2014, after nearly a year of preparation, review, defense, and consultation, the proposal to establish the "Center for World Environmental History at Peking University," initiated by Professor Bao Maohong—a doctoral supervisor in the Department of History at Peking University and a renowned expert in environmental history—was approved by the university's executive council.

As an interdisciplinary research institution, the Center aims to advance the field of environmental history through the following five key areas:

* Environmental issues and governance in industrialized countries: historical experiences and lessons
* Resource and environmental challenges in developing countries and paths toward sustainable development
* Global environmental problems and global environmental governance: the role of international organizations
* Chinese environmental history and its relevance to ecological civilization and the construction of a “Beautiful China”
* The history, theories, and methodologies of environmental history

In addition, the Center plans to establish an International Advisory Committee and a Development Council, as needed, to provide recommendations on its research priorities, developmental strategies, and evaluation of academic outputs. Experts from both China and abroad will also be invited to participate in the Center’s research and teaching activities.