

**UIUC** U.S. - CHINA Innovation & Development Forum



Saturday, April 8, 1pm National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) inspire students at UIUC and the greater Chicago area. Auditorium (Room 1122)









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Surrounding the topic "Innovation & Development" this forum dedicates to gather business leaders, elite engineers and venture capitalists together to

> Keynote Speech Panel Discussion Startup Pitch Reception

#### Host Welcome

1:10 - 1:20pm Martin Wong - UIUC College of Engineering, Executive Associate Dean

# Opening Remark

1:20 - 1:40pm Lei Hong - Consul General of China to Chicago

# Keynote Speech

On the Cutting Edge: What's Next Beyond the Horizon?

1:40 - 2:10pm Wen-mei Hwu – UIUC, Sanders-AMD Endowed Chair of ECE

2:10 - 2:40pm Dehai Kong - SVC Angel Fund, Managing Partne

2:40 – 3:00pm Networking Break

### Concurrent Session 1

The Making of a Business: Entrepreneurship in US and China

3:00 - 4:30pm

Yi Lu – UIUC, Jay and Ann Schenck Professor of Chemistry

Herb Huang - Ningbo Semiconductor International Corporation, CEO

Tianyi Joe Zhu - West Suburban Angels, Co-Founder

Wen-mei Hwu – UIUC, Sanders-AMD Endowed Chair of ECE

Moderator: TBD

#### Concurrent Session 2

The Era of Artificial Intelligence: Where Technology is Headed

3:00 - 4:30pm

Jingyuan Wang - NewDo Venture Capital, Managing Partner and President

Farris Wu - ZenStone Venture Capital, Founder & Managing Director

Tony Zhang - Zacks Investment Management, Portfolio Manager

Dehai Kong - SVC Angel Fund, Managing Partner

Moderator: Y. Wayne Wu – UIUC Computer Science Dept.

#### Concurrent Session 3

From Campus to Career: How International Background Succeeds in US

3:00 - 4:30pm

Harrison Ding - Multiple Listing Network Ltd,

Executive Director & CEO

Hong Cheng - Morningstar Investment Management LLC,

Senior Investment Analyst

Alan Zhang - Nanhua USA LLC, Legal and

Compliance Officer

Justin Li - Hemi Ventures, Investor

Moderator: Jia Xing – UIUC BCS, Assistant Director







Mr. HONG Lei is a diplomat of the People's Republic of China, serving as Consul General of China to Chicago. Having served as spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2010 to 2016, Hong is the 25th spokesperson since the spokesperson system was established in the ministry in 1983.

Wen-mei Hwu is a distinguished professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and a pioneer in compiler design, computer architecture and parallel processing. Professor Hwu is the Sanders-AMD Endowed Chair in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He is also the co-director of Universal Parallel Computing Research Center, which is sponsored by Intel and Microsoft as well as the principal investigators for both the world's first NVIDIA CUDA Center of Excellence and the petascale Blue Waters system. In 2007, professor Hwu along with the Chief Scientist of NVIDIA, David Kirk, introduced a new engineering course titled Programming Massively Parallel Processors. This course has since gained overwhelming popularity.





With twenty years of R&D and management experience in the Silicon Valley, and involvement in five startups, Dehai Kong is the founding partner of three angel funds and one VC fund. Mr. Kong has invested in deep technology and other new industrial revolution enablers, such as big data, sensing, computer vision, as well as biomedical, new material, new energy and smart manufacturing.

Yi Lu is a professor of chemistry, biochemistry, bioengineering, materials science and engineering at University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. Prof. Lu is both an AAAS and RSC fellow, as well as a recipient of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Professor Award. He was ranked among the world's most influential researchers in both 2015 and 2016, and is the co-founder of two startup companies, ANDalyze and Glucosentient.





<u>Tianyi Joe Zhu</u> is an international entrepreneur and angel investor. Mr. Zhu co-founded West Suburban Angels, and is also the chairman of Zhu Holdings Group as well as Jiangsu Full Cell Energy Technologies. Mr. Zhu is well-known as a biotech proponent in Northern Chicago. Serving on the board of several non-profit organizations, Mr. Zhu is the current US representative for the Chinese Welfare Population Foundation, which reports to the Chinese Ministry of Civil Affairs. Zhu is also a University of Illinois Alumni Association: UIAAAN Featured Alumni, and recently received the honor of 2015 Mandarin Leader for Entrepreneurship.

Herb Huang is currently the CEO of Ningbo Semiconductor International Corporation and previously the senior director of technology and technical marketing at Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation. Dr. Huang received his Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering at University of Minnesota and his BS in Applied Mechanics from Hunan University (China).





<u>Farris Wu</u> is the co-founder and managing director of ZenStone Venture Capital, a Silicon Valley-based venture capital that bridges Asian capital and global opportunities with emphasis on the US market. ZenStone actively seeks late seed and early venture stage opportunities in startups that are driven by technology and/or business model innovations. Dr. Wu holds a B.S. and a M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from the Harbin Institute of Technology (China) as well as a Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering from University of Texas at Austin. He has published over 30 academic papers and 6 patents on several fields of science and technology.

Jingyuan Wang, A Silver Scholar graduate, received his MBA degree from Yale University. Mr. Wang is currently the partner and president of NewDo Venture, a venture capital company devoted to facilitating ambitious startups to succeed in their initial stage with it's angel fund and other strategic resources.





Professor Tony Zhang is currently a portfolio manager at Zacks Investment Management, a leading wealth management firm. Mainly managing the Zacks Market Neutral Fund, Prof. Zhang has made great achievements in the market neutral industry. The Market Neutral strategy is ranked as a Top 10 fund in the long/short category by Morningstar 2016. Prof. Zhang is also an assistant professor at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, with a concentration in portfolio management based on fundamental and quantitative factors, market neutral strategies, and big data analytics.

<u>Hong Cheng</u> is a senior Investment Analyst at Morningstar Investment Management LLC. After completing her MBA at the University of Chicago, Ms. Cheng was hired as Operations Associate at Morningstar Investment Services. With hopes of sharing her academic and professional experiences with international students and sprouting entrepreneurs, Ms. Cheng started her official account on WeChat and Zhihu, which have since gained a lot of popularity.





Harrison Ding is the founder of HiElites.com (formerly MLN.com), a one-stop international educational service brand under Haiyu Network LLC. Before founding HiElites.com, Mr. Ding served as a Global Council chair at IBM, leading a global IBM team of 400 supply chain professionals and responsible for strategic sourcing of technical and other services. Mr. Ding is also a founding Board Member of the Internet Committee of Zhejiang Entrepreneur Association and a founding Mentor of Global Mentor Board.

As a licensed U.S. attorney admitted to the Illinois Supreme Court and a licensed Chinese attorney, Yun Zhang graduated from Loyola University Chicago, School of Law with a Juris Doctor (J.D.) and Tax Law Certificate in 2016. He obtained his Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) degree from East China University of Political Science and Law in 2013. Not only did Yun work as the Chief Compliance and Legal Officer in an FCM (Futures Commission Merchant) company in Chicago, but he also worked at McDermott Wills & Emery LLP, Shanghai Office, in 2015 as a summer associate.





Entrepreneur turned investor, Justin Li graduated from University of Illinois - Urbana Champaign. After founding Blleep, a location based social app, Mr. Li started his investing career at WI Harper a cross-border venture capital firm in the Bay Area. Mr.Li currently leads Hemi Ventures' practice in biotech and healthcare startups.