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FOI 2409-09

2 messages

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10 October 2024 at 11:21

Dear Sam

Thank you for your recent request for information which we have handled under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). We apologise for the delay in responding.

Request

You asked us:

- The number of visits to China in the last 18 months by the Vice-Chancellor (or equivalent), any pro-VC (or equivalent), dean international (or equivalent), or any other executive-level staff (not academic or research staff).
- Please, for each visit, state the role of the staff member(s) who went, and a list of meetings/itinerary.

Our response

There were 4 visits to China in the last 18 months that fall within the scope of your request. Please see the information in the attached PDF files.

Please note that redactions have been applied to these documents where we have identified personal data relating to other individuals. The individuals in question would not expect that such information would be publicly disclosed in response to an FOI request. This would be unfair and unlawful processing of personal data, which is a breach of the first data protection principle, and therefore the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(3A)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Next steps

If you have any questions about the information we have provided, please do ask. You can ask also ask us to review our response. If you want us to carry out a review, please let us know within 40 working days. Details of internal review process are held here [Complaints - Freedom of Information - Newcastle University \(ncl.ac.uk\)](#).

If you are still dissatisfied after our internal review, you can complain to the [Information Commissioner's Office \(ICO\)](#). You should make complaints to the ICO within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: FOI request re China visits

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Hi there,

My name is Sam Dunning. Please provide:

- The number of visits to China in the last 18 months by the Vice-Chancellor (or equivalent), any pro-VC (or equivalent), dean international (or equivalent), or any other executive-level staff (not academic or research staff).
- Please, for each visit, state the role of the staffmember(s) who went, and a list of meetings/itinerary.

Best,

Sam

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Sam Dunning

Director

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4 attachments

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10 October 2024 at 13:18

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China: From 21 st April 2023 to 28 th April 2023				
Shanghai				
Date	Time	Venue	Host and Attendees	Activities
Saturday 22 nd April	12:00	Grand Kempinski Hotel Shanghai No.1288 Lujiazui Ring Road Pudong, Shanghai	Newcastle University: Professor Richard Davies [REDACTED] [REDA	

Travel Itinerary – Professor Nigel Harkness

Purpose: UK-China HE Mission 2023

Destination: Beijing/Shanghai - China

MEETINGS AND EVENTS			
Beijing			
Date	Start	Venue	End
18 th Sep Monday			
	17:00	Ambassador's Residence	18:00
	18:30		20:30
19 th Sep Tuesday	08:45	Westin Hotel Beijing	12:00
	14:30	National Natural Science Foundation of China	16:00
Shanghai			
20 th Sep Wednesday	10:00	Shanghai Jiao Tong University	12:00
	12:00		13:30
	14:00	Shanghai Theatre Academy	15:30
	16:30	Consul- General's Residence	18:00
	18:30	Grand Hyatt	20:30
21 st Sep Thursday	10:30	Oxford Suzhou Centre for Advance Research	12:00
	12:00		13:00

	13:00	Coach tour at Suzhou	13:30
22nd Sep Friday	10:00	East China University of Political Science and Law (ECUPL)	AM
	14:00	East China Normal University (ECNU)	16:30

Timeline	Activity
April 5 th -6 th	Graduations and Offer holder events in Shanghai
April 7 th	Meetings with Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU) Senior leadership team in Suzhou

April 8 th	Meeting with Southeast University in Nanjing
April 9th	Meetings with China Scholarship Council (CSC) in Beijing
April 9th	Alumni Event in Beijing

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China Itinerary April 2024

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April 5 th -7 th	Graduations and Offer holder events in Shanghai	