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## Event Recap



### 2020 Q2 Chief Advisor – Secretariat Joint Meeting

Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is taking a toll on the global economy and politics. Governments and businesses around the world are all eyeing for economy recovery. In this context, CCICED is preparing a set of policy recommendations to the State Council with an aim to contribute to the development of the 14th Five-Year Plan. These recommendations will address the policy responses in relation to the current global economic shock.

On April 29th and 30th, CCICED held its quarterly Chief Advisor-Secretariat Joint Meeting to update the research progress of its ten ongoing SPS projects and to solicit inputs from Members and Special Advisors on the proposed policy recommendations to the 14th Five-Year Plan. The Meeting was held via virtual conference and was actively participated by near 200 participants at each session. Summary records of the meetings will be circulated via the newsletter in the coming weeks.

At the end of the meeting, the Chief Advisors announced that after considering all inputs collected, they will formulate a draft policy recommendation in the next few weeks, at which point Council Members will have the opportunity to provide written comments to the draft before it is finalized for submission.

## News Scan

### Global Governance and Ecological Civilization



#### Qinling Mountains, a window into China's progress in ecological conservation

**April 21st, CGTN** - Qinling Mountains is an east-west mountain range that divides northern from southern China along with the Huai River. Serving the environmental functions of climate regulation, soil conservation, water maintenance and biodiversity conservation, the Qinling Mountains are also known as the central park of China. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



#### Xi's tour reminds people well-preserved ecology will allow people to thrive

**April 21st, CGTN** - Niubeiliang National Nature Reserve is a key component of the ecological system around the Qinling Mountains, the geographic barrier that divides northern and southern China. Covering over 16,000 hectares of land and with an elevation of 1,100 to 2,802 meters, the reserve is listed among the top 40 protected areas in China's national biodiversity strategy and action plan. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

### Green Urbanization and Environment Improvement



#### A win-win project for low-income families and the environment in Eastern China

**April 26th, CGTN** - Ecological poverty alleviation is a poverty reduction model that combines ecological protection with poverty alleviation. Some areas suffer from poverty due to a harsh natural environment, while some lack the sustainable and scientific use of natural resources. Through participation in ecological protection and the development of ecological industries, villagers can be lifted out of poverty while protecting Mother Nature. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



#### 10,000 Chinese sturgeons released into Yangtze River

**April 25th, CGTN** - On April 22, 2020, a total of 10,000 Chinese sturgeons was released into Yangtze River in Yichang city, Hubei province in central China. This is the 62nd release by The Chinese Sturgeon Research Institute of Three Gorges Corp, also the largest scale in recent years. According to statistics from WWF, a total of 5,030,000 Chinese sturgeons has been released in China since 1984. China has several conservation programs, including reserves specifically aimed at this species and restocking through release of young fishes into the Yangtze River. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

### Innovation, Sustainable Production and Consumption



#### China to cut new energy vehicle subsidies by 10% this year

**April 23rd, Reuters** - China will cut subsidies on new energy vehicles (NEV) such as electric cars by 10% this year, the finance ministry said, following a decision last month to continue providing incentives to buy cleaner cars. The government had announced plans in 2015 to end the subsidies this year, but said in March it would extend them. Tesla Inc's China-made Model 3 sedans, meanwhile, are currently priced at 323,800 yuan before subsidies, meaning the U.S. electric car pioneer will have to reduce the price to qualify for the scheme. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



#### China joins the IEA Bioenergy Technology Collaboration Programme

**April 23rd, Renewable Energy Magazine** - China National Renewable Energy Centre plans to join two IEA Bioenergy tasks: "Energy from Biogas" and "Climate and sustainability effects of bioenergy within the broader bioeconomy". China possesses significant biomass resources which could be harnessed to produce sustainable bioenergy, providing a solution to deliver cleaner air, enhanced energy security, waste management and meet growing energy demand. Much progress has already been made on this front as China leads deployment of bioenergy in the power sector, is scaling up biomass heating solutions, and growing biofuel production. [FULL ARTICLE](#)



#### Baidu Announces New Steps to Safeguard Biodiversity Through Technology Solutions

**April 22nd, PR Newswire** - Baidu has partnered with China's National Forestry and Grassland Administration, the China Wildlife Conservation Association, and the International Fund for Animal Welfare to disseminate authoritative information about biodiversity to netizens and promote sustainable lifestyles. Baidu has launched several biodiversity protection initiatives that will leverage the company's leading positions in online content, mobile, and AI to promote scientific knowledge about wildlife protection and fight against illegal online marketplaces for wildlife products. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

### Green Energy, Investment and Trade



#### China's policy bank issues 2 bln yuan of bonds to aid ecological protection

**April 22nd, Xinhua News** - The Agricultural Development Bank of China, the largest issuer of bonds, launched 2 billion yuan (about 282.08 million U.S. dollars) of bonds to support ecological protection. The bonds will mature in three years, with the interest rate standing at 1.649 percent, aiming to fund key areas of the ecological civilization construction. [FULL ARTICLE](#)

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