

Dear Colleagues, Students and Alumni,

Director of the Asia Global Institute

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Chen Zhiwu as Director of the Asia Global Institute (AGI), with effect from July 1, 2016. Professor Chen will be holding concurrently the Victor and William Fung Professorship in Economics and Professorship in our School of Economics and Finance and School of Business.

Professor Chen is currently Professor of Finance at Yale University. He is a highly renowned scholar with an impressive track record of research in finance theory, securities valuation, emerging markets, China's economy, and capital markets. Having worked in China, US and Hong Kong, and travelled extensively around the world for academic and professional interactions, Professor Chen has strong international experience and is well connected with academia, political leaders, financial institutions, business and think tanks globally. Given his outstanding academic credentials and international exposure, we are confident that Professor Chen will bring excellent leadership to the AGI, and enable it to become the leading voice in Asia on global issues impacting business, economics, sustainable development and other sociological issues.

I would like to congratulate Professor Chen warmly on his appointment, and hope that you will give your best support to him upon his arrival. I would also like to convey my sincere thanks to Professor Tao Zhigang for his dedicated contribution during his service as Interim Director of the AGI.

Professor Peter Mathieson  
President and Vice-Chancellor