

# UNESCO-ZJU Global Competence Development Workshop

## Provisional Agenda

Hangzhou, Liangzhu & Paris

September 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**INTRODUCTION:** The workshop intends to equip young people with knowledge on the United Nations system and sustainable development. It engages young people in the UN's efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. It nurtures, inspires and challenges Chinese college students to become competent global citizens in the future.

### SESSION 1: Changing the world with UNESCO

#### September 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday in Hangzhou & Liangzhu

- 9:00-9:30 CST      Opening Remarks  
Representative from Zhejiang University  
Prof. Shahbaz Khan, Director of UNESCO China Office (Video)
- 9:30-11:30 CST      Dr. Charity Tinofirei, Finance and Administrative Officer, UNESCO China Office  
*Operationalizing SDGs for a Sustainable World*
- 14:00-17:00 CST      Visit to Liangzhu Archaeological Site and Liangzhu Museum (UNESCO World Heritage Site)

### SESSION 2: UN Project Cycle Management

#### September 6<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday via online

- 16:00-20:00 CST      Dr. Scott Jones, Founder & Director of Mind the Gap Research and Training  
9:00-13:00 BST      *Foundations of Project Life Cycles and Logic Models (Results Based Management)*

#### September 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday via online

- 16:00-20:00 CST      Dr. Scott Jones, Founder & Director of Mind the Gap Research and Training  
9:00-13:00 BST      *Methodology of Project Design and Project Management Skills*

#### September 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday in Hangzhou

- 9:30-11:30 CST      Visit to UN Global Platform for Big Data China Hub

## SESSION 3: Young Talent at UNESCO

### September 8<sup>th</sup>, Friday in Hangzhou & via online

- 14:30-15:50 CST      Dr. Wenting Meng, former Junior Professional Officer of UNESCO  
*UN Career Development for Junior Professionals*
- 16:00-17:20 CST      Ms. Rossella Salvia, Head of Centre for Learning & Partnerships Development of  
10:00-11:20 CET      UNESCO  
*Equip You with Essential Information about UNESCO's Job Opportunities*
- 17:30-18:30 CST      Dr. Huawei Zong, First Secretary of Permanent Delegation of China to UNESCO  
11:30-12:30 CET      *China's Engagement with UNESCO: Achievements and Opportunities*

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## List of Speakers



**Ms. Rossella Salvia**, Head of the Centre for Learning & Partnerships Development at UNESCO. She has over 20 years of experience in the field of personnel management in the United Nations, with her expertise in building United Nations human resources partnerships with national government departments, universities, the private sector, non-governmental organizations, etc., and in managing UNESCO's Young Talent Programme.



**Prof. Shahbaz Khan**, Director of the UNESCO Office in Beijing and UNESCO Representative to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, Mongolia, People's Republic of China, and the Republic of Korea. Prof Khan joined UNESCO in 2008 at its Headquarters as Chief of the Water and Sustainable Development Section. He has worked in Australia, France, Indonesia and Pakistan in various research, consultancy and policy positions around hydrology and sustainable development. Prof Khan holds a Hon Doctorate Environment and Development from the National University of Malaysia and Hon DSc from the University of Birmingham.



**Dr. Charity Tinofirei** has been with the UNESCO Beijing Office since May 2020. She has served as the Head of Operations in four other countries (Zimbabwe, Switzerland, Mali, West Bank/Israel) and in three other UN agencies, Funds, and Programmes (including UNICEF, UNDRR, UNOPS), diplomatic, for-profit, and humanitarian sectors in similar roles since 1996. Outside of Operations, Dr. Tinofirei's expertise and interests span the management of Projects, Human Resources, Budget Planning, and business process re-engineering for sustainable global organisations. She has worked in international multicultural settings where principles of diversity, equity and inclusiveness guide UNESCO's priorities for the underserved.



**Dr. Scott Jones**, co-director of Mind the Gap Research and Training, [www.mind-the-gap.net](http://www.mind-the-gap.net), Scotland. He has worked with many international development projects worldwide and he is a part-time Associate Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies at Oslo New University College, Norway. Scott's main work areas include conflict analysis and management, environmental restoration of Africa's mountain forests, programme and project management, etc.



**Dr. Huawei Zong**, First Secretary of the Permanent Delegation of China to UNESCO. She received her Master's degree in Development Studies from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, France. She assisted the President of the 37th General Conference of UNESCO, the Chairperson of the 44th World Heritage Committee, and the Chinese Candidate for the 11th Director General of UNESCO in their duties and competitions. Her current research interests include international organizations and China's multilateral diplomacy.



**Dr. Wenting Meng**, a former Junior Professional Officer of UNESCO and post-doctoral researcher at Zhejiang University. She holds a Ph.D. in International Relations from Peking University, with over ten years of research and engagement with/on the United Nations. Her research interests include International Peacebuilding, International Organization Competence, etc. She was awarded Peace Fellow of Social Science Research Council and conduct field research in South Sudan, Ethiopia and Kenya on peacebuilding project.