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## 1. Colleges and universities to promote inter-continental flow of ideas and knowledge

### 1.1 Tsinghua University Hosted 2024 World Digital Health Forum (Tsinghua University; April 29, 2024)

The 2024 World Digital Health Forum, hosted by Tsinghua University and its partners, played a pivotal role during the AI Theme Day of the ZGC Forum. Held in Beijing's tech-driven Haidian District, the event attracted over 700,000 online participants from around the world. The forum provided a platform for high-level discussions and spurred future innovations in digital health. Its goal is to accelerate the growth of the digital health industry, integrate digital technologies with health and life sciences, and support the creation of new paradigms in digital science and health careers. On the Forum, *Tsinghua Urban Health Index* and *World Digital Health Forum Declaration* were released. Through these efforts, the forum aims to improve global health outcomes and enhance the wellbeing of communities worldwide.

Source: <https://www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/info/1245/13447.htm>

### 1.2 University of Tokyo Co-released *Global Commons Stewardship Index 2024* (The University of Tokyo; May 27, 2024)

The Center for Global Commons (CGC) at the University of Tokyo Institute for Future Initiatives (IFI), in partnership with the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) and the Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy, has published the *Global Commons Stewardship Index 2024 (4th edition): Transforming Global Production and Consumption for Earth's Safe Operating Space*. The report highlights the growing threat human activities pose to the stability and resilience of the global commons, which are essential for humanity's prosperity and future well-being. Recent findings reveal that six out of nine critical planetary boundaries have been breached. This edition of the *Global Commons Stewardship Index* offers updated data on

domestic impacts and international spillovers affecting the global commons, drawing on the latest research and modeling tools in industrial ecology and environmental science. The report is designed to assist policymakers in protecting the global commons.

Source: [https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/focus/en/articles/z2101\\_00160.html](https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/focus/en/articles/z2101_00160.html)

### **1.3 Nanjing University Held the Third China Digital Earth Conference (Nanjing University; June 1, 2024)**

On June 1, 2024, the 3rd China Digital Earth Conference kicked off at Nanjing University's Suzhou campus, launching the "Suzhou Event Week: Digital Technology for Sustainable Development". Organized by the International Society for Digital Earth (SDG) and Nanjing University, the conference attracted over 1,200 participants, including government officials, experts, scholars, and representatives from international organizations. With the theme "Digital Technology Supporting Earth's Sustainable Development", the conference emphasized theoretical and technological advancements in digital earth, showcased exemplary applications, and explored industry development. It served as a platform for experts, policymakers, and industry professionals to discuss how digital earth can contribute to achieving sustainable development goals.

Source: <https://www.nju.edu.cn/en/info/1057/9201.htm>

### **1.4 International Association for Applied Econometrics Annual Conference Held at Xiamen University (Xiamen University; June 7, 2024)**

The International Association for Applied Econometrics (IAAE) Annual Conference was successfully held at Xiamen University on June 7, 2024, marking its inaugural event in China. The conference aimed to foster enhanced exchanges between China and the global community in the field of applied econometrics. It sought to jointly advance the development of cutting-edge theories and applications in econometrics while exploring ways to promote economic globalization, maintain global economic stability, and

coordinate sustainable development.

Source: [https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/regional/content/2024-06/12/c\\_995281.htm](https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/regional/content/2024-06/12/c_995281.htm)

### **1.5 HKU ABIC Held International Symposium on Biomedical Research Translation 2024 (University of Hong Kong; June 16, 2024)**

The Advanced Biomedical Instrumentation Centre (ABIC) at the University of Hong Kong hosted the International Symposium on Biomedical Research Translation on June 7, 2024. The symposium gathered experts from prestigious global institutions such as Yale, Harvard, UC Berkeley, and the University of Cambridge, alongside distinguished scholars from Hong Kong and industry stakeholders. Together, they engaged in in-depth discussions on the research, development, and commercialization of medical innovations.

Source: [https://hku.hk/press/news\\_detail\\_27431.html](https://hku.hk/press/news_detail_27431.html)

### **1.6 International Symposium of Geotechnical Aspects of Underground Construction in Soft Ground Held at UM (University of Macau; June 19, 2024)**

The 11th International Symposium on Geotechnical Aspects of Underground Construction in Soft Ground (IS-Macau 2024) took place at the University of Macau (UM). The symposium was co-organized by UM, Technical Committee 204 (TC204) of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (ISSMGE), the Civil Engineering Laboratory of Macau, and the Macau Association for Geotechnical Engineering. The event brought together over 150 delegates from 15 countries and regions, including the UK, Norway, Denmark, Italy, Dubai, Singapore, Japan, Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR, and Macao SAR, to exchange ideas and foster collaboration on geotechnical aspects of underground construction in soft ground.

Source: <https://www.um.edu.mo/news-and-press-releases/press-release/detail/58505/>

## 2. Colleges and universities to develop formal inter-continental research collaboration arrangements

### 2.1 CityUHK and the University of Cambridge Established New Academic Collaborations (City University of Hong Kong; May 4, 2024)

On May 3, 2024, City University of Hong Kong (CityUHK) and the University of Cambridge strengthened their commitment to mutual cooperation by signing two *Memoranda of Understanding* (MoUs). The first MoU, focusing on academic and research collaboration, will explore opportunities for education, research development, and commercialization between CityUHK's College of Engineering and Cambridge's Department of Engineering. The second MoU, centered on joint research and scholarship collaborations, aims to enhance collaborative research and development between CityUHK's College of Science and Cambridge's Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology.

Source: <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/media/news/2024/05/04/cityuhk-and-university-cambridge-forge-new-academic-collaborations>

### 2.2 Peking University Deepened Collaboration with UCL (Peking University; May 17, 2024)

On May 13, 2024, Michael Spence, President and Provost of University College London (UCL), led a delegation to Peking University (PKU). During the visit, PKU President Gong Qihuang, along with Vice Presidents Dong Zhiyong and Fang Fang, met with the delegation. Following their discussions, Gong and Spence signed a new *Memorandum of Understanding*, with representatives from both universities witnessing the ceremony. Gong emphasized PKU's commitment to enhancing collaboration with UCL, focusing on expanding initiatives related to the strategic cooperation seed fund, area studies, and economics, to further international academic exchanges and talent development.

Source: [https://newsen.pku.edu.cn/news\\_events/news/global/14203.html](https://newsen.pku.edu.cn/news_events/news/global/14203.html)

### **2.3 HKU and ILOA Collaborated on Chang'e 7 Moon Lander Mission Set for 2026 Launch (University of Hong Kong; June 20, 2024)**

The Laboratory for Space Research at The University of Hong Kong (HKU-LSR) signed a *Letter of Intent* (LoI) with the International Lunar Observatory Association Hawaii (ILOA) on May 16, 2024, formalizing an equal partnership to participate in one of the ILOA-led Chang'e 7 lunar missions: a small, wide-field optical telescope named ILO-C. The telescope design by HKU-LSR has been officially selected, and work is now underway. The ILO-C telescope is set to be installed on the Chang'e 7 lunar lander, scheduled for deployment in 2026.

Source: [https://hku.hk/press/news\\_detail\\_27458.html](https://hku.hk/press/news_detail_27458.html)

### **2.4 Imperial and University of Ghana Signed Significant Research and Education Partnership (Imperial College London; June 21, 2024)**

Imperial College London and the University of Ghana have announced a new five-year partnership to enhance collaboration in research and education. This partnership will focus on areas such as digital diagnostics, innovation and entrepreneurship, public health, environmental sustainability, and vaccine manufacturing. The agreement will also facilitate greater mobility of scientists and students between the two institutions, with researchers from both universities spending time in each other's laboratories in London and Accra, working on joint projects, and sharing knowledge and data.

Source: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/news/254333/imperial-university-ghana-sign-major-research/>

### **2.5 University of Macau Deepened Cooperation in Research and Education with Brazil (University of Macau; June 24, 2024)**

To further expand the University of Macau's (UM) international cooperation network, UM Rector Yonghua Song and Vice Rector Rui Martins



led a delegation to Brazil. During their visit, the UM delegation met with representatives from the University of São Paulo (USP), one of Brazil's leading universities. Song and Sergio Persival Baroncini Proença, USP's Provost for International Cooperation, signed a strategic cooperation framework agreement, officially establishing a strategic partnership between UM and USP. The agreement outlines plans to deepen collaboration in ocean science, biorobotics, and computer science, with initiatives including dual degree programs, student and faculty exchange programs, and joint seminars. Source: <https://www.um.edu.mo/news-and-press-releases/press-release/detail/58515/>

## **2.6 King's Collaborates with Purdue University to Promote Semiconductor and AI Innovation (King's College London; July 5, 2024)**

King's College London has signed a *Memorandum of Understanding* (MoU) with Purdue University to collaborate on research in semiconductors, AI hardware, and computer chips. The agreement, signed by Professor Shitij Kapur, Vice Chancellor of King's College London, and Professor Mung Chiang, President of Purdue University, formalizes their intent to strengthen ties between the two institutions. The collaboration will focus on King's Institute for Human & Synthetic Minds and the newly established Centre for Intelligent Information Processing Systems.

Source: <https://www.kcl.ac.uk/news/kings-collaborates-with-purdue-university-to-turbocharge-semiconductor-and-ai-innovation>

### 3. Colleges and universities to make efforts for global challenges

#### 3.1 HKU Established Partnership with Shanghai Sci-Tech Inno Center for Infection & Immunity (The University of Hong Kong; April 28, 2024)

The Centre on Contemporary China and the World (CCCW) at the University of Hong Kong (HKU) and the Shanghai Sci-Tech Inno Center for Infection & Immunity signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on April 27, 2024, during the Pujiang Innovation Forum. The MoU outlines a collaborative project that brings together leading experts in climate change, marine conservation, infectious disease control, public health, and public policy. The initiative aims to foster original research, establish monitoring systems, and provide platforms for public policy dialogue. Through academic seminars, policy analysis, and public discussions, the project seeks to produce interdisciplinary, high-quality research with a significant impact on public health.

Source: [https://www.hku.hk/press/news\\_detail\\_27278.html](https://www.hku.hk/press/news_detail_27278.html)

#### 3.2 University of Oxford to Lead New Sustainable Chemicals and Materials Manufacturing Research Hub (University of Oxford; May 16, 2024)

The University of Oxford is spearheading a significant UK government initiative aimed at enhancing the sustainability of chemical and polymer production. The Sustainable Chemicals and Materials Manufacturing Hub (SCHEMA) will unite researchers from across the UK in collaboration with a wide consortium of commercial, technology translation, and civic partners. Supported by £11 million from the UKRI Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), the Hub also leverages an additional £22 million in funding from its partners.

Source: <https://www.ox.ac.uk/news/2024-05-16-university-oxford-lead-new-sustainable-chemicals-and-materials-manufacturing>

#### 3.3 PolyU Journal Nexus Hosted Forum on Sustainability and

**Interdisciplinary Research and Innovation** (The Hong Kong Polytechnic University; May 16, 2024)

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) and Cell Press co-hosted the Nexus Forum 2024 on campus from May 9 to 10, 2024. Centered around the theme “Sustainable Exploration of Interdisciplinary Research and Innovation”, the forum focused on groundbreaking research in applied sciences, engineering, technology, and interdisciplinary fields addressing global challenges. The two-day event attracted over 150 participants, including an international panel of keynote speakers from Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States, Germany, Japan, and Mainland China, along with authors, session chairs, staff members, and students.

Source: [https://www.polyu.edu.hk/media/media-releases/2024/0516\\_polyu-journal-nexus-holds-forum/](https://www.polyu.edu.hk/media/media-releases/2024/0516_polyu-journal-nexus-holds-forum/)

**3.4 Bristol Hosted Swiss-British Summit to Advance Innovation in Healthcare and Environmental Sustainability** (University of Bristol; May 23, 2024)

The University of Bristol’s BioDesign Institute hosted the inaugural Synthetic & Engineering Biology British-Swiss Summit on May 22, 2024. The event focused on exploring the potential of engineering biology technologies to drive innovation in healthcare while promoting environmental sustainability. Organized in collaboration with the Swiss Business Hub UK & Ireland, the Bioindustry Association, and Lucideon, the Summit brought together academic thought leaders and industry representatives from life sciences and pharmaceuticals. Attendees included key government officials, such as members of the UK Government’s newly appointed Engineering Biology Steering Committee, regulators, start-up incubators like Science Creates (Bristol) and BaseLaunch (Basel), as well as specialized investment firms. The goal was to identify bilateral opportunities for innovation, commercialization, and collaboration in science and policy.

Source: <https://www.bristol.ac.uk/news/2024/may/bristol-swiss-summit.h>

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### **3.5 University of Cambridge Receives £5 Million Boost for ‘World-Leading’ Cardiovascular Research (University of Cambridge; May 28, 2024)**

The University of Cambridge has received £5 million in funding from the British Heart Foundation (BHF) to advance its cutting-edge cardiovascular disease research over the next five years. This funding aims to foster a collaborative, inclusive, and innovative research environment, enabling visionary scientists to achieve lifesaving breakthroughs. The grant will support researchers in combining their expertise to address cardiovascular diseases, particularly in populations with high unmet needs. Key goals include identifying new markers and disease targets, testing new drugs in clinical trials, developing improved diagnostic methods, and leveraging artificial intelligence to analyze imaging and health records to identify individuals at the highest risk. Additionally, the funding will facilitate the creation of user-friendly tools to enhance the prevention and management of cardiovascular disease.

Source: <https://www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/cambridge-research-receives-ps5-million-boost-for-world-leading-cardiovascular-research>

### **3.6 Tokyo Tech’s TSUBAME 4.0 Supercomputer Launched (Tokyo Institute of Technology; June 26, 2024)**

The Global Scientific Information and Computing Center (GSIC) at Tokyo Tech launched its next-generation supercomputer, TSUBAME 4.0, on April 1, 2024. Since the debut of TSUBAME 1.0 in April 2006, the TSUBAME series has been a vital resource for research and development across industry, academia, and government, both in Japan and internationally, earning the title of “everyone’s supercomputer”. Located at the Suzukakedai Campus, TSUBAME 4.0 continues the series’ tradition of utilizing GPUs (graphics processing units) extensively. The supercomputer is accessible not only to Tokyo Tech researchers but also to external academic and corporate

researchers through joint programs like the Joint Usage and Research Center for Interdisciplinary Large-scale Information Infrastructure (JHPCN) and the Innovative High Performance Computing Infrastructure (HPCI). The goal is to expand its accessibility and ensure it remains a widely used resource on a daily basis.

Source: <https://www.titech.ac.jp/english/news/2024/069452>

### **3.7 12th World Peace Forum Opened in Beijing (Tsinghua University; July 6, 2024)**

The 12th World Peace Forum, organized by Tsinghua University and co-organized by the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs, opened in Beijing on July 6, 2024. Under the theme "Improving Global Security Governance: Justice, Unity, and Cooperation", the forum has attracted over 400 participants, including former foreign dignitaries, senior diplomats, and experts and scholars from more than 80 countries. Discussions at the forum focus on finding common ground, fostering new cooperation, restoring stability in the international order, and safeguarding world peace amidst the challenges of de-globalization.

Source: <https://www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en//info/1244/13652.htm>

## 4. Colleges and universities to promote people mobility including scholar or student mobility

### 4.1 CityUHK and Cambridge's Lucy Cavendish College Forged New Academic Collaboration (City University of Hong Kong; May 4, 2024)

City University of Hong Kong (CityUHK) and Cambridge's Lucy Cavendish College have established a new academic partnership through a *Memorandum of Understanding* (MoU) signed on May 3, 2024. CityUHK, known for its active pursuit of strategic alliances with top regional and global universities, aims to enhance international outreach and foster global understanding. This MoU is designed to strengthen collaboration between the two institutions through visiting student and scholar programs. As part of this agreement, CityUHK students will have the opportunity to spend one year studying at Lucy Cavendish College as part of their undergraduate program.

Source: <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/media/news/2024/05/04/cityuhk-and-cambridges-lucy-cavendish-college-agree-academic-collaboration-through-new-partnership>

### 4.2 HKUST Recruited Top Indonesian Students through Partnership with Indonesian Government (The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology; May 7, 2024)

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) has signed a landmark agreement with the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology of the Republic of Indonesia (MoECRT), becoming the first university in Hong Kong SAR to participate in the Indonesia Education Scholarship for Degree Programs. Under this agreement, HKUST will welcome its first cohort of 12 top Indonesian undergraduate students for the 2024/25 academic year. The students will be selected through a rigorous process and receive full scholarships from MoECRT, covering tuition fees,

living expenses, and other allowances for the duration of their studies.

Source: <https://hkust.edu.hk/news/internationalization-and-partnership/hkust-recruits-top-indonesian-students-indonesian>

#### 4.3 XJTU Delegation Visited Central-Asia (Xi'an Jiaotong University; May 19, 2024)

On May 19, 2024, Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) delegation visited Bukhara State Medical Institute (BSMI) and signed a *Memorandum of Understanding* with the institute. Laziz N. Niyazov, Vice Rector for International Cooperation at BSMI, welcomed the delegation and provided an overview of the university's research collaboration efforts. As the leading medical university in Uzbekistan, BSMI is eager to engage in medical cooperation and exchanges with Chinese universities. During the visit, XJTU signed international undergraduate program partnership agreements with four middle schools and awarded plaques to six newly added international student recruitment bases. This initiative aims to attract more outstanding international students to study in China.

Source: [http://en.xjtu.edu.cn/2024-05/22/c\\_1001908.htm](http://en.xjtu.edu.cn/2024-05/22/c_1001908.htm)

#### 4.4 Global Classroom International Collaboration Program Launched in ZJU (Zhejiang University; May 23, 2024)

The "Global Classroom International Collaboration Program" officially launched on May 23, 2024, at the International Campus of Zhejiang University (ZJU). Over two weeks, more than 20 undergraduates from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), along with students and faculty from ZJU, embarked on a joint study and research journey. Initiated in 2024 and featured on the Young Envoys Scholarship website, the program builds on the Engineering Orientation course (ENG 100) at ZJU, which has been running since 2020. This program has already seen participation from over 400 freshmen from UIUC and ZJU, focusing on cutting-edge engineering technologies, broadening engineering perspectives, and exchanging

innovative ideas with academic and industry experts. The program aims to foster exploration of innovative solutions for a sustainable future, as well as to enhance global collaboration and cultural exchange at ZJU.

Source: <https://www.zju.edu.cn/english/2024/0523/c19573a2921543/page.htm>

#### **4.5 Kyoto University Short-Term Academic Research Program Commenced (Kyoto University; June 14, 2024)**

To boost international student enrollment at its graduate schools, Kyoto University's Division of Graduate Studies has launched the Kyoto University Short-Term Academic Research (KU-STAR) Program. The inaugural iteration of the program runs from May 17 to mid-July 2024. The first cohort, selected from India, aligns with the Japanese government's initiative to attract skilled Indian professionals and Kyoto University's recent focus on recruiting from Indian institutions. The cohort includes 18 students from the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), chosen from 128 applicants across various institutes and representing different class years and majors. During the program, students enhanced their research skills in their chosen laboratories and engaged in activities such as Japanese language classes and company visits to learn more about Japan.

Source: <https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/news/2024-06-14-0>

#### **4.6 The Inaugural India Summer School Held by UCL (University College London; June 19, 2024)**

From June 10 to 14, 2024, University College London (UCL)'s leading professors conducted research-led teaching sessions at The British School New Delhi, engaging small groups of prospective students from across India on a range of interdisciplinary topics. This Summer School underscores UCL's commitment to strengthening its collaboration with India. Later this year, the first recipients of the newly established UCL India Excellence Scholarships will join the UCL campus. The scholarships are designed to support Indian



students with outstanding academic records in pursuing full-time Master's degrees at UCL. For the 2024/25 academic year, 33 scholarships will be awarded to exceptional students who have, or are expected to achieve, a first-class degree. An additional 67 scholarships will be available over the following two years.

Source: <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/news/2024/jun/ucl-welcomes-students-in-inaugural-india-summer-school>

#### **4.7 Students Celebrate Completion of International Research Fellowships (Imperial College London; July 3, 2024)**

The first cohort of research students supported by Imperial's Global Development Hub Fellowship has successfully completed their placements. With guidance from both their home country supervisor and a host supervisor at Imperial, 32 students from 16 countries, including Sri Lanka, Mozambique, and the Democratic Republic of Congo, undertook placements across all four of Imperial's faculties. Established earlier this year with funding from Imperial's ISPF Institutional Support Grant Official Development Assistance award from Research England, the Global Development Hub Fellows Fund supports high-impact, short-term research placements for PhD students from least developed and low- and middle-income countries. The program aims to advance students' research, expand their networks, and strengthen international collaborations. The awards cover living expenses, flights, travel, and visa fees.

Source: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/news/254595/students-celebrate-completing-international-research-fellowships/>

## 5. Non-university organizations to promote global common good

### 5.1 The First NSFC-BMGF Agricultural R&D Symposium Held in Beijing (National Natural Science Foundation of China; May 29, 2024)

The First NSFC-BMGF Agricultural R&D Symposium, jointly funded by the National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), began in Beijing on May 29, 2024. Hosted by the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, the symposium focused on “Frontier Technological Innovations in Agricultural Green Development and Their Applications”. Topics included agricultural information technology, innovative seed research and development, and Sino-African agricultural cooperation. The event attracted experts from 15 countries, including the UK, France, Belgium, Brazil, Egypt, and Burundi, as well as international organizations such as FAO and CGIAR. Nearly 300 researchers and scholars from domestic agricultural universities and research institutes participated. The symposium aims to enhance international cooperation in agriculture and food sciences, promoting mutual benefit and shared development across nations.

Source: [https://www.nsf.gov.cn/english/site\\_1/news/A1/2024/06-12/365.html](https://www.nsf.gov.cn/english/site_1/news/A1/2024/06-12/365.html)

### 5.2 The HKU Jockey Club Enterprise Sustainability Global Research Institute was Officially Launched (The University of Hong Kong; June 11, 2024)

The HKU Jockey Club Enterprise Sustainability Global Research Institute, established by The University of Hong Kong (HKU) and funded by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, was officially launched on June 5, 2024, with an inaugural forum. Bringing together distinguished global scholars from diverse fields, the Institute strives to promote a multidisciplinary approach to sustainability research and education, while building partnerships with both the private and public sectors to advance

sustainability initiatives and advocate for responsible leadership. The inaugural forum aimed to promote dialogue and collaboration on best practices and innovative solutions to Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) challenges. It attracted a diverse audience, including academics, regulators, and leaders from international corporations and NGOs from around the world.

Source: [https://hku.hk/press/news\\_detail\\_27422.html](https://hku.hk/press/news_detail_27422.html); <https://hkujcesgri.hku.hk/about/>

### **5.3 China Ready to Boost Global Shared Development (China International Development Cooperation Agency; July 12, 2024)**

At the Second High-Level Conference of the Forum on Global Action for Shared Development, the China International Development Cooperation Agency (CIDCA) hosted a conference titled “Promoting Sustainable Development: Continuous Action for a Better Future”. The event was held from July 11 to 13, 2024, and it saw participation from representatives of over 160 countries, international organizations, and institutions, both online and in person. Wang Yi, China’s Minister of Foreign Affairs, delivered the opening speech, emphasizing China’s commitment to expanding financing channels, innovating cooperation models, strengthening capacity building, broadening partnership networks, and coordinating actions with all stakeholders to drive sustainable development efforts forward.

Source: [http://en.cidca.gov.cn/2024-07/12/c\\_1004929.htm](http://en.cidca.gov.cn/2024-07/12/c_1004929.htm)