8 April 2025



Professor HOU Jianguo President, Chinese Academy of Sciences 52 Sanlihe Road, Beijing, 100864 China

Via email: cas en@cas.cn cc: tongting@cashq.ac.cn

Dear Professor Hou,

Re: Congratulations on the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the Academic Divisions of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CASAD)

On behalf of the Australian Academy of Science, I extend my warmest congratulations to the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) on the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the Academic Divisions of CAS (CASAD).

This significant milestone not only marks seven decades of outstanding scientific leadership within China but also reflects the pivotal role CASAD has played in advancing global science, across disciplines—from climate science and energy technologies to health and biodiversity—helping shape the scientific dialogue that underpins our shared global future.

Australia and China have a long-standing and valued history of scientific collaboration. Over the years, our academies have engaged in numerous joint initiatives, research partnerships and exchanges, contributing to discoveries that transcend borders and benefit humankind. CASAD's commitment to excellence has greatly strengthened these ties and fostered mutual respect and cooperation among our scientific communities.

As we celebrate this important anniversary, we look forward to continuing our strong relationship with CASAD and building on our shared commitment to scientific advancement, open dialogue, and international collaboration.

Once again, congratulations. I look forward to participating in the CAS Symposium on 31 May, and to bringing together some of our countries' top scientists for the China-Australia Workshop on Environmental Protection and Biodiversity from 3-5 June, hosted by the Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research (IGSNRR).

Warmest regards,

Professor Chennupati Jagadish AC PresAA FREng FTSE

President

Australian Academy of Science