

MESSAGE FROM PROFESSOR SHI GUOQING



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I am very happy that the organizers of the joint International Workshop on Gender, Diversity, and Inclusion hosted by Simon Fraser University (Burnaby, BC, Canada) and Hohai University (Nanjing, Jiangsu, China) have taken initiative to publish the proceedings of the workshop. I would like to thank the editors of the proceedings for their hard work and congratulate them on the occasion of this publication.

The joint workshop was an outcome of the collaboration signed in 2017 by the Department of Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies at Simon Fraser University and the Research Center for Gender and Development at Hohai University. A stated goal of the collaboration was to organize a joint international workshop on Gender and Diversity at SFU in 2019, which was successfully held on June 1st at SFU's downtown campus with the participation of faculty members from Hohai University. I extend apologies for my inability to attend despite an invitation from Professor Habiba Zaman of SFU, one of the key organizers of the workshop.

On our end, I feel that the proceedings will be extremely useful as reading materials for our colleagues and students at the Research Center for Gender and Development. We want to acknowledge the fact that many of our graduate students—both national and international—have benefitted from the visits by our Advisory Professor Dr. Habiba Zaman in the past years (2016–2019). We are thankful to Professor Zaman.

I look forward to reading the Proceedings of the International Workshop on Gender, Diversity, and Inclusion.

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