

FEATURE

15th Tien Chang-Lin International Forum Held in Optics Valley, Wuhan

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The 15th Tien Chang-Lin Forum was held in Optics Valley of the East Lake Hi-tech Zone.

Tien Chang-Lin's brother, the well-respected overseas American-Chinese Tien Chang-Chio, the Chinese Academy of Engineering academician and the 14th CPPCC National Committee member Deng Zhonghan, Hubei University President Liu Jianping, Nanjing University Vice President Wang Zhenlin, Shanghai New York University President Jeffrey S. Lehman, former Secretary General of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities Christopher Tremewan, Berkeley Global Chinese Alumni Association Chairman Wu Zeqiang and more than 300 academicians, experts, university

presidents, young scholars and outstanding entrepreneurs gathered in Optics Valley to engage in dialogue and exchanges around innovation leading the future, jointly build an innovative path, and jointly promote cooperative development.

Tien Chang-Lin was the first Chinese president of the University of California, Berkeley. Berkeley is a world-renowned research university, ranked 10th in the 2024 QS World University Rankings, and has trained a large number of well-known alumni in academia and industry.

Shen Dong, member of the Party Working Committee and deputy director of the



Tien Chang-Chio

Management Committee of East Lake High-tech Zone, delivered a welcome speech, saying that the Optics Valley Tien Chang-Lin Center is an

important place for Berkeley alumni to appreciate the spirit of Tien Chang-Lin.

Liu Jianping, president of Hubei University, said in his speech that the Tien



Deng Zhonghan



Chang-Lin Center will be used as a hub to carry out scientific research exchanges and cooperation with more foreign universities and scientific research institutions.

Academician Deng Zhonghan mentioned in his keynote speech that "Optics Valley has a very early layout in the field of chips and has received high attention from the world. The Optics Valley Tien Chang-Lin Center will help attract outstanding foreign talents to return to Optics Valley to start businesses and find jobs, and attract more forces to participate in the research and development and application of independent chips."

Carol Christ, president emeritus of the University of California, Berkeley, and Wu Junqiao, director of the Department of Materials, respectively congratulated the convening of the conference in the form of congratulatory letters and videos, hoping to further promote international exchanges and cooperation through

The Berkeley Global Chinese Alumni Association the Tien Chang-Lin Center. In the summit dialogue session, five guests including Academician Deng Zhonghan, Wang Zhenlin, Wu Zeqiang, Christopher Tremewan, and Jeffrey S. Lehman focused on topics such as technological innovation and future development and expressed their insights. In the afternoon of the same day, the guests also held an academic summit discussion on global academic and cultural exchanges, cooperation and innovative practices.

At the scene, the Berkeley Global Chinese Alumni Association was unveiled in Optics Valley, and the US-China Green Energy Promotion Association, the Hong Kong Small and Medium Listed Companies Association and the Tien Chang-Lin Center signed a strategic cooperation agreement, which will help Optics Valley recruit global high-end talent resources and expand the international exchange network.

Wu Zeqiang, chairman of the Berkeley Global Chinese Alumni Association, said that in the future, based on the alumni association, a bridge for the exchange of Chinese and foreign talents will be built to attract alumni from Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Hong Kong and other places to invest in Optics Valley and serve the economic development of Optics Valley.

Gathering the world's light and building a world valley, as one of the three major intellectual intensive areas in the country, Optics Valley has introduced a series of support measures around the "attraction, cultivation, retention and service" of talents. Through this conference, we will promote the Tien Chang-Lin Center to further connect outstanding alumni at home and abroad, expand the international cooperation network, and continue to expand the influence and competitiveness of the world's Optics Valley.

Tien Chang-Lin, born in Wuhan, Hubei, was a famous Chinese scientist, educator and social activist. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering of the United States, the first foreign academician of the Chinese

Academy of Sciences, and the first chairman of the Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Commission.

In 1990, he became the first Chinese and Asian university president in the 122-year history of the University of California, Berkeley, and in the history of the United States. During his lifetime, he frequently traveled between China and the United States serving as a friendly envoy for educational, scientific and cultural exchanges and cooperation.

His brother Tien Chang-Chio was a top engineer of Boeing's aircraft flutter and vibration technology.

In November 2023, the East Lake High-tech Zone supported the establishment of the first Tien Chang-Lin Center in China, which integrates diversified functions such as visits and learning, exchanges and cooperation, training seminars, and entrepreneurship incubation.

It is an important platform for the exchange and cooperation of Optics Valley and international talents.