

Welcome Speech at Conference Banquet

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Vice President of China Shipbuilding Industry Corporation
(CSIC)

Mr. Chairman,
Ladies and Gentleman,
Good Evening!

On this beautiful evening and at this nice place, we meet here to warmly celebrate the 28th ITTC conference a complete success. On behalf of 300,000 colleagues from China's shipbuilding industry, I would like to extend my warmest welcome to all the specialists and guests from different countries. This scene reminds me of a famous article named "Preface to Prince Teng's Pavilion" from Wang Bo, the litterateur from the ancient Tang dynasty. He said, "Today we are so lucky to have all the four good things at once, they are: nice day, beautiful scenery, simple joy and pleasant event. And it is even more precious to have hospitable host and respectable guests with frankness to each other".

It has been more than 80 years since ITTC was founded in 1933, however, it's still a well-known international academic organization with youth and vitality. Scholars from various countries regularly meet to discuss issues of common interests related to ship science and push forward ship R&D, from which the global shipbuilding industry benefits a lot.

In this May, the "Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation" was successfully held in Beijing. Government leaders and politicians met in Beijing to discuss issues of vital importance and reached relevant consensus. It opened up a new era to develop and promote the Silk Road Economic Belt as well as the Maritime Silk Road. It also means new opportunities and space for the international shipbuilding industry.

As the largest shipbuilding and repairing group in China, China Shipbuilding Industry Corporation (CSIC) has the most complete ship auxiliary equipment and strongest ship design and research capabilities in China with an annual shipbuilding capacity of 15 million tonnage. Now we have 28 research institutes, more than 40,000 R&D staff and designers as well as a large number of manufacturing companies. In the Fortune Global 500 list 2017, we ranked No. 233, being the largest shipbuilding group worldwide.

Ship and marine equipment technologies are now experiencing fast development, there's huge markets for maritime economy and marine equipment. As the major state-owned shipbuilding enterprise, CSIC needs to take her own responsibility to promote maritime development which has been set as one of China's national strategies. To understand, develop and make use of the ocean, we take active, open and inclusive attitude and highly appreciate cooperation with international partners. We



give strong support to our subsidiary companies to cooperate with international players, and would like to develop a community with common destiny with partners to share interests.

Since the reform and opening up, China's shipbuilding community has strongly promoted science and technology research, and enhanced academic exchanges both at home and abroad. In 1986, CSSRC initiated and held the First International Symposium on Propeller and Cavitation. Since then, we have seen more and more international academic activities in marine sector taking place in China. Almost every year, we have academic activities organized by Chinese research institutes or universities. Particularly in the field of ship hydrodynamics, China has held two ITTC conferences so far, making her own contribution to support and strengthen academic exchanges and cooperation worldwide.

Ladies and Gentlemen! Autumn is the season of harvest. I hope all of you enjoy this conference and have big gains. Wish you all happiness and career success! Thank you!

Welcome Speech at Welcome Reception
Dr. Chunrong He
Director of China Ship Scientific Research Center
(CSSRC)

Mr. Chairman,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentleman,
Good Evening!

It gives me a great pleasure to welcome all of you to Wuxi for the twenty-eighth (28th) ITTC Full Conference. It is also a great honor and pleasure of CSSRC to host this conference.

Autumn is the harvest season!

In the same pleasant season of nineteen seventy-eight (1978), shortly after China started to implement opening up to the world, CSSRC sent her first delegates to attend the fifteenth (15th) ITTC Conference in The Hague, the Netherlands. Thereafter, ITTC accepted application of CSSRC for the Advisory Council. (Professor Shitang Dong, the former Director of CSSRC, was among the first delegates then).

Since then, CSSRC has been benefitting so much from the ITTC and doing her best to support and contribute to the ITTC. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of CSSRC, to convey our heartfelt gratitude to all the friends and specialists for their kind help and valuable support to the development of CSSRC. It might be hard to imagine, if without participation of CSSRC in the ITTC, the first International Conference on Hydrodynamics (ICHHD) could be initiated in Wuxi as early as in nineteen ninety-four (1994). (Professor Yousheng Wu, Honorary Director of CSSRC has chaired the ICHHD Conference for years.)

As well acknowledged, the ITTC has made unremitting efforts and great achievements in development of ship hydrodynamics for more than eighty (80) years. It has been and will continue to play a unique and irreplaceable role in the global shipbuilding and shipping industry.

I am confident that the twenty-eighth (28th) ITTC conference will be a complete success.

Ladies and Gentlemen!

Wuxi has a long history of waterway transportation. To its south is the Taihu Lake and to its north the Yangtze River, while the ancient Grand Canal flows through its downtown area. (The Kempinski Hotel and the InterContinental Hotel are just beside the canal.)



Besides its developed industry and economic prosperity, Wuxi is among the top ten (10) most popular tourist cities in China, being famous for a picturesque city full of warmth and water.

Enjoy your stay!

Thank you!