**The Belt and Road Summer School Program is recruiting your students**

Dear Partner,

The Shanghai Summer School (3S), with scholarship from Shanghai Municipal Government, was established in 2008 as a project of Shanghai Education Commission and is meant to be a bridge for international cooperation and exchanges with the rest of the world.

As a host university for the 3S Program, Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) has been organizing three 3S programs since 2010, including Spanish-speaking Countries Program, Middle East Program and Russia Program. In September and October of 2013, when Chinese President Xi Jinping visited Central Asia and Southeast Asia, he put forward the initiative of jointly building the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st-Century Maritime Silk Road (the Belt and Road), which has attracted close attention from all over the world. From 2015, one new program called the Belt and Road Program was launched, and SISU is the only host university of this program.

In this summer of 2016, from July 11 – August 5, the Belt and Road Program will also be hosted by SISU, which offers 20 scholarships for the outstanding students from the countries along the Belt and Road. SISU is the only host university of this program.

 This program offers interesting and intensive high-quality courses combined with a fun-packed social program to discover modern China, covering topics on Chinese language, culture, history, politics, governance, economy, foreign policy and society. Students can obtain official credits in Chinese language and China Studies, and they will also have the opportunity to get to know students from different parts of the world.

I am very happy to notify you, that, as an important partner of SISU, your university is given **one full scholarship**. Please give the opportunities to your excellent students who are interested in learning about china, and those that you believe will serve as ambassador of your university. Please find the attached brochure and application form of the program.

I am the Section Chief at the Office of International Student Affairs, and I am responsible for this year’s Belt and Road Program. This is my contact information: by email at wangjunjie@shisu.edu.cn or by phone at +86-21-65360599.

Thank you for your attention and look forward to having your students joining us for this wonderful program.

Sincerely,

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