

FOR APAC INTERNATIONAL ASIA KNOW-HOW SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

BEIJING – SHANGHAI

15 August – 7 September 2025

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Colleagues, Dear Students,

**Welcome to the
FOR APAC International Asia Know-How Summer School 2025!**

The Forum Asia Pacific (FOR APAC) continues the long Summer School tradition of the former Chinese Studies Center at the Paris Lodron University of Salzburg (PLUS), which has initiated its China Know-How Summer School for students from higher education institutions from Austria and other European countries in 1999.

Three years ago, the former Chinese Studies Center was transformed into the Forum Asia Pacific to include more countries from the Asia-Pacific region and strengthen scientific aspects of teaching and research projects in this field.

During the Covid-years and after the Covid period, our Summer School - formerly known as the China Know-How Summer School - could not take place for five years. This year, we are very happy to announce that we will hold our Summer School – now called - “FOR APAC International Asia Know-How Summer School” in Beijing for the short version of the program, and in Beijing and Shanghai for the long version of the program.

The Summer School welcomes students from our university as well as international students from other universities and universities of applied sciences to participate in order to promote a broader exchange between students from different parts of the world.

We are looking forward to welcoming students to our summer school and to jointly engage in discussing of important topics of our globalized world.

The FOR APAC International Asia Know-How Summer School 2025 offers an exciting program, which will take place at Peking University (Beijing) and at Fudan University (Shanghai) from August 15th to September 7th 2025 (long version of the program).

For the short version of the program, please have a look at the brochure for the short version (15th of August to 29th of August 2025 in Beijing).

The Summer School will deal with various China respectively Asia-related topics in the globalized world of today. The aim of the FOR APAC International Asia Know-How Summer School is to convey knowledge for a more profound understanding of China respectively Asia. Topics from the fields of history, politics, law, economics, philosophy, sociology, sustainability & development, interculturality, literature, art, music, etc. are covered.

In addition, expert discussions will be held with representatives of the Austrian Embassy in Beijing, of the Austrian Foreign Trade offices in the People's Republic of China, with banking experts and lawyers, as well as visits to joint venture companies and excursions to places of historical relevance.

ECTS Credits

For the Summer School, you will receive 5 ECTS points.

The requirements for course completion are as follows:

- ☆ Preparatory reading for the Summer School
- ☆ Mandatory attendance of the total official program (lectures, excursions & visits)
 - 29 lectures
 - 13 group excursions & visits
- ☆ Successful completion of the course exams
- ☆ After the completion of the Summer School, a final essay (800 – 1000 words) is required by the 30th of September 2025

Nomination

If your university is interested in nominating students and sending an application list to us, we kindly ask you to nominate a contact person / coordinator.

In this case, please kindly send an excel list of the nominated students to the following e-mail address: Judith.Suchanek@plus.ac.at (cc: Dragana.Imbric@plus.ac.at) before the application deadline.

Application

- Each student has to apply individually through the following link: <https://axapp.sbg.ac.at/ords/f?p=1430:1011>

Deadlines

Application Deadline: 15th of May 2025

Payment Deadline: 1st of June 2025

Costs

The costs of the Summer School amount to EURO 3.888 (without flight). The price includes costs for accommodation (including breakfast), transfers, lecture fees, excursion and entrance fees as well as overhead costs. You will receive our bank information after confirming your application.

Cancelation Fees

If you wish to cancel your participation in the Summer School, please send us a short e-mail with a brief explanation of the reason.

For any drop out between the 1st and the 30th of June 2025, we will claim 50% of the program costs.

After the 30th of June 2025, we are claiming 100% cancelation costs.

Realization of the Summer School

Our university reserves the right of the final interpretation.

The program is subject to change.

A minimum number of participants is required for the summer school to take place. There is also a maximum number of participants. Therefore, please note that the first come, first served principle applies.

We are looking forward to your replies and a successful cooperation and participation in the frame of the FOR APAC Asia Know-How Summer School 2025.

You will receive further information after the application deadline.

If you have questions, please contact:

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"A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step"

- Laozi -

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