Monash Grants Honorary Degrees In China

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AsianScientist (Nov. 11, 2013) - Monash University has conferred honorary degrees on five distinguished scientists, researchers, business leaders and educators.

The Doctor of Laws *honoris causa* degree recognizes these individuals for their outstanding contributions in their respective fields and to the wider community.

The five award recipients are Professor Yi Hong, President of Southeast University; Dr. Megan Clark, Chief Executive of CSIRO; Dr. Jiang Bo, Vice-President of Tongji University; Professor Ke Yang, Executive Vice-President of Peking University; and Professor Nigel Thrift, Vice-Chancellor of Warwick University.

"In all of their roles, within business, education and research, it is a great honor that we can acknowledge the broad contributions of each of the recipients," said Monash University Chancellor Dr. Alan Finkel AM. "We are proud to officially welcome them as part of the Monash community."

The graduation ceremony was held at the Southeast University–Monash University Joint Graduate School in Suzhou, following the official opening of a Joint Graduate School building in Shanghai.

The 60,000 square meter building has facilities to support education and future research activities in a range of disciplines from economics to engineering.

The school will be complemented by the establishment of a Joint Research Institute to conduct multidisciplinary research projects in areas of strategic importance to industry in Australia and China, including nanotechnology, bioinformatics, water, energy and light metals.

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