



BAJC Events:

- **April 11, 2012:** A meeting was arranged with UQ Business School for the possible creation of the tailored collaborative courses for The Baoshan Iron and Steel Co Ltd (Baosteel) senior managers.
- **April 13, 2012:** A total **73** Expression of Interest applications for the 2012 BAJC R&D fund were received. The TAC recommended 28 EOIs for development into full project proposals with a closing date 25 May, 2012.
- **May 28, 2012:** Twenty six full proposals for BAJC R&D fund were received and forwarded to TAC members for assessment and prioritization.
- **June 15, 2012:** Six-monthly progress reports for the 2011 project round were received by BAJC and circulated to the TAC for comment
- **July 2, 2012:** The TAC met formally in the morning to finalize recommendations regarding the 2012 project applications. The BAJC Board met on the afternoon of the same day and decided the successful projects and funding levels

BAJC Visitors:

- **April 25, 2012:** Zou Dating, Director-General of the National Office for Science & Technology Awards from The Ministry of Science & Technology PR China, together with a delegation from the State Grid Corporation of China (SGCC) led by Mr. Zhou Hong Deputy Director, Department of Science & Technology, SGCC. The BAJC Board Co-Chair, Prof Max Lu participated the business meeting organized by the BAJC Deputy Director, A/Prof Geoff Wang.

Other News

The BAJC annual report is being finalized and will be released shortly.

The ARC has announced modifications to the rules for the 2012 round. The main change that affects BAJC leverage opportunities through this scheme is that an Australian based company must be a participant. Investigators who intend to use the BAJC funds for ARC-LP applications need to acquaint their Australian based company partners with the contractual details, including IP arrangements, which are required for using Baosteel as a PI.

Please advise the BAJC management group early if you intend to apply for an ARC-LP which involves Baosteel funding.

There are some other significant changes in the ARC-LP rules also regarding details of amounts and duration that applicants need to familiarize themselves with these.

Planning for the BAJC annual conference to be held in Brisbane on December 13-14, 2012 is well underway.