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To the Entry Clearance Officer

As the Principal Investigator of the ERC project "Re-orienting development: the dynamics and effects of Chinese infrastructure investment in Europe" (Ref: 885475) based at the Open University, we are hosting a two-day conference and confirm that that **XU XIULI** (Passport Number PE2237224) has been invited to speak at our event.

We request that XU XIULI be admitted to the United Kingdom for the period 24th February 2025 to 27thMay 2025.

The purpose of the visit is:

- (a) To share knowledge, experience and to hold informal discussions with counterparts at the Open University;
- (b) To take part as a guest speaker at our conference that is not a commercial or non-profit venture; https://tinyurl.com/Researching-Global-China

The project has agreed to support XU XIULI financially by providing a bursary of £700 towards travel costs incurred.

For any further information please do not hesitate to contact myself or the Research Project Manager, Natalie Pollard (Natalie.pollard@open.ac.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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