

## Speech by Honorary Degree Recipient

Dear Colleagues and Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today, I am so honored to present in this prestigious stage to receive the Honorary Doctorate of the Saint Petersburg State University.

Since my childhood, I have known that Saint Petersburg University is a world-class university associated by many famous scientists, such as Ivan Pavlov, Dmitri Mendeleev, Mikhail Lomonosov, Lev Landau, Alexander Popov, to name just a few. In particular, many dedicated their glorious lives in the same field of scientific research and studies which I have been devoting to: Leonhard Euler, Andrey Markov, Pafnuty Chebyshev, Aleksandr Lyapunov, and recently Grigori Perelman, not to mention many others in different fields such as political sciences, literature, history, economics, arts, and so on. Being an Honorary Doctorate of the Saint Petersburg State University, I have become a member of the University, of which I am extremely proud.

I have been to the beautiful and historical city of Saint Petersburg five times since 1997, to work with my respected Russian scientists and engineers in organizing international academic conferences and conducting joint scientific research. I sincerely appreciate the recognition of the Saint Petersburg State University for my scientific contributions and endeavors to developing scientific cooperations between Russia and the People's Republic of China. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the University for the honor, and thank all professors, staff members and students for their support and encouragement. Being an Honorary Doctorate of the Saint Petersburg State University, I have become a member of the University, which made me anxious to contribute more to the University and to the already well-established relationship between Russia and China in the future.

Thank you very much, I remain.

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