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## Dear Professor HE Xingyuan

On behalf of Edith Cowan University, I would like to express my congratulations to the Northeast Institute of Geography and Agroecology on the occasion of your sixtieth anniversary. As we are aware, the sixtieth birthday is of particular significance and value in Chinese culture, marking the end of one era and a move forward into increasing maturity. I hope that the years to come are fruitful and prosperous and I offer my warm good wishes to the Northeast Institute of Geography and Agroecology in its celebrations.

At Edith Cowan University we strongly value our partnership with the Northeast Institute of Geography and Agroecology. Though recently established, our partnership has already been very productive, resulting in the publication of six ISI journal papers, co-supervision of research students and joint research activities. The further opportunities this partnership provides for our staff and students at both institutions are immense and I look forward to seeing more initiatives come to life in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Steve Chapman