

5th ANNUAL  
**U.S. - CHINA  
AGRICULTURE ROUNDTABLE**

**中美农业圆桌论坛**

APRIL 23 & 24, 2025  
Chicago, IL

2025年4月23&24日  
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Inspired by three legendary scientists



**Norman Borlaug**

Father of Green Revolution  
Recipient of the Nobel  
Peace Prize



**Yuan Longping 袁隆平**

Father of Hybrid Rice  
Recipient of World Food Prize



**George Washington Carver**

American Agricultural  
Scientist and Inventor

**Agriculture collaboration  
for a strong economy in the Heartland and  
a sustainable, resilient future  
for the world**



The U.S. - China Agriculture Roundtable, first launched in 2021, draws inspiration from three visionary scientists whose work revolutionized global agriculture. Over the past 4 years, this annual event has evolved into the broadest-based bilateral platform for U.S. - China agricultural exchange drawing leaders from governments, businesses, trade associations, educational institutions, and think tanks from both nations to address shared global challenges; as well as supporting export markets for our U.S. Agriculture sector.

The upcoming 2025 roundtable marks the 5th year of this important bilateral dialogue. Its expanded program reflects the growing scope and importance of agricultural cooperation between our nations, featuring innovative formats for peer-to-peer engagement, economic agreements, and exchanges.



“Agriculture is the bedrock of a healthy U.S. economy in the Heartland and our agricultural exports to China, from \$1.1 billion in 1978 to over \$30 billion in 2024, are a key component. It is imperative that we support continued dialogue and collaboration to build a strong U.S. - China relationship around agriculture.”

**Hon. Bob Holden**  
Chairman & President,  
U.S. Heartland China Association  
Former Governor of Missouri



“China is the number one agricultural producer, consumer, and importer in the world, so it is absolutely essential for those who care about U.S. agriculture and food security to be in dialogue with their Chinese counterparts about the healthy food systems that we all depend on.”

**Susan Thornton**  
Vice-Chair,  
U.S. Heartland China Association  
Senior Fellow,  
Yale University Law School  
Former Acting Assistant  
Secretary of State,  
East Asian and Pacific Affairs



“U.S. - China peaceful cooperation in agriculture is absolutely essential if we are to be successful in meeting the *single greatest challenge in all human history* - Can we sustainably produce sufficient nutritious food to feed the 9.5 to 10 billion people who will be on our planet by the year 2050.”

**Amb. Kenneth M. Quinn**  
President Emeritus,  
the World Food Prize  
Former U.S. Amb. to Cambodia  
Strategic Advisor,  
U.S. Heartland China Association



## April 23rd, 2025 Agenda

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	<i>Breakfast/Registration</i>
9:00 – 12 p.m.	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leadership Remarks</li> <li>• Promotion and Showcase</li> <li>• Plenary Panels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ U.S. – China Agriculture Collaboration for a Sustainable and Resilient Future</li> <li>◦ New Opportunities for U.S. – China Agriculture Collaboration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12 – 1 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
10:30 – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Dialogues and Special Sessions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunities in Expanded Ag Trade between the U.S. and China</li> <li>• Current Status and Prospect of U.S. and China’s Food Supply and Demand</li> <li>• New Developments in Biotechnology</li> </ul>
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Continued Dialogues and Special Sessions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. – China Agricultural Trade and Cooperation</li> <li>• U.S. – China Third-Party Agricultural Cooperation in Africa</li> <li>• Climate Smart Agriculture and Sustainable Agriculture</li> </ul>
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Networking Reception</b>

## April 24th, 2025 Agenda

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	<i>Breakfast</i>
<b>Continued Dialogues and Special Sessions</b>	
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Education Dialogue</li> </ul>
10:30 – 12:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Development</li> </ul>
12:00 p.m.	<b>Event Concludes</b> (optional site visits in the afternoon for VIP Guests)



## Attendance Options

- Full Conference Registration \$1,200
- Single Day (4/23 only): \$850
- \*4/24 Afternoon Site Visits and Dinner: \$450

Please inquire about student or group attendance discounts.

Government officials: Please contact USHCA for attendance.

**Register** ▶▶

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## About the U.S. Heartland China Association:

Through organizing people-to-people exchanges in culture, education, and business, USHCA, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, promotes a stable and productive U.S. – China relationship to protect and advance the interests of the American Heartland community.



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- Customized benefits (scholarship for students, exhibit space...)



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- Full Advisory Committee membership & program input
- Complete VIP access & benefits
- Customized benefits (scholarship for students, exhibit space...)



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- Full Advisory Committee membership & program input
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- Customized benefits (scholarship for students, exhibit space...)



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- Advisory Committee membership
- Exhibit Space, subject to availability



### **\$7,500 Sponsor**

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