Ladies and gentlemen:

Good morning/afternoon.

It’s my great honor to take part in this annual conference of PEN International on behalf of Beijing Union University. This year is the tenth anniversary of PEN-International. Over the past 10 years, all members of PEN International has conducted extensive and in-depth cooperation with each other and acquired outstanding achievements. As a member of PEN International, Beijing Union University also benefits a lot for what I’d like to extend my sincere appreciation to PEN International and all colleagues.

Today, the topic of my report is “PEN-International plays pilot role for Special Education College of BUU”, mainly concerns four aspects: 1, PEN-International and BUU, 2, The Promotion of teaching and research BUU from PEN-International. 3, The teaching and scientific research achievements from the implementation of PEN-International. 4, Plans for future development.

Firstly, Beijing Union University and PEN International

On March 20, 2003, Special Education College of Beijing Union University became a full member of PEN-International. From then on, by using the investment funds of nearly 460,000 yuan provided by PEN-International and the supportive funds of nearly 400,000 yuan successively provided by BUU, Special Education College has finished the construction of the project library and the two-point & multi-point broadcasting systems which can not only hold hundreds of teachers & students to take simultaneous video instructions with people from as many as 5 foreign countries or regions, but also make the video broadcasting conference & the experts lectures for both the whole staff & part of the students conducted at the same time through the campus network, making video information become the studying resources of all the members of the college.

Secondly, PEN International has promoted the teaching and scientific research on the deaf education of our university.
1. PEN-International boosts the international exchange & cooperation on deaf education of our college.

With facilities and equipments provided by PEN-International, the faculty and students of our university have communicated with those from U.S.A, Philippine and Tianjin Engineering Institute for the Deaf and we’ve gained rewarding achievements. The faculty also had been to the headquarters of PEN-International for the annual conference, forum and researching visit. Meanwhile, we carried out various and diversified international communication and exchange activity from which we communicate and collaborate with different teaching units for people with disability from different countries and share the achievements together..

2. PEN International has driven the construction of network and information accessibility in our college.

First, fully utilizing the platform of PEN-International, Beijing Disabled Persons Federation invested more than 1,600,000 yuan to set up the systematic websites of remote professional education and training for the people with disability in Beijing which is the information-based construction project of Beijing Government. This system broke the limits of leaning time and space for the people with disability, making lifelong education for them and opening a new learning way for them.

Second, cooperated with IBM, we set up a teaching platform without hitch for the students with deaf and hard hearing. Through the platform, teachers can convert phonetics into regular words with the automatic developed electronic files for future study, which created a better learning environment for the students.

Thirdly, taking the advantage of discipline, we established resource center for the purpose of supporting auxiliary tools and various learning resources and developing adaptable electronic products for the people with disability to solve the obstacle problems existing in study and living for them.

Fourthly, cooperated with CDPF and Italian educational institution Montserrat, we carried out the project of promoting the employment of people with disabilities to fulfill remote informationization technology as well as international teaching and training activities.
Third, the teaching and scientific researching achievements derived from the implementation of PEN International

Since PEN-International has been launched, Special Education College of BUU has successively won many prizes at university, municipal and national levels. Up to this time, more than 20 articles have been issued on the domestic specialized core magazines.

PEN-International also promotes the teaching quality. The deaf students of our college have gained more than 35 diversified outstanding prizes such as in National Advertisement Competition, National Arts Exhibition, National Calligraphy Competition, National Robotics Competition, National Vocational Colleges Robot Sport Meeting and National Software Competition, etc. In the Beijing Paralympic Games, the students with deaf of our university have assumed the glorious missions of flame lighting and torch relay.

Finally, plan for future development

We are going to keep on using facilities provided by PEN-International to integrate the net resource of our university and develop net teaching activities and to entirely prompt the video processing technology and integration of adaption and transmission. Still, with the platform supported by PEN-International, we will continue to forward the cooperation and communication with universities from home and abroad, to strive for the collaboration and support from all quarters, to prepare for setting up Beijing special education resource center and to carry out the project of elementary special education and postsecondary special education internet information platform.

In the future, Special Education College of Beijing Union University will be fully devoted to the aim of the PEN International: Excellence, integrity and innovation. We will make greater efforts to the special education of the capital, as well as the career of international higher education for the people with deaf and hard hearing.

In the end, on behalf of BUU, I would like to express my gratitude to the Japanese sponsor, PEN-International head office, Mr. Dekaro and Mr. Bao Guodong.
Thank you!