

PolyU and University of Oxford forge strategic partnerships to advance academic collaboration

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To leverage the complementary strengths of both institutions across public health and other fields



The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) and the University of Oxford, UK have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) at the University of Oxford, to foster pioneering academic and research collaboration.

The MoU was signed by Prof. LI Xiangdong, Dean of the Faculty of Construction and Environment and Chair Professor of Environmental Science and Technology at PolyU, and Prof. Michael OBERSTEINER, Director of the Environmental Change Institute (ECI), Professor of Global Change and Sustainability at the University of Oxford and Editor of *Nexus*.

This strategic partnership is designed to leverage the complementary strengths of both institutions across multiple critical fields, including urban systems, energy and environment, public health, climate resilience, artificial intelligence and data science, as well as policy and governance.

The collaboration will encompass joint research initiatives, staff and student exchanges and visits, joint academic events such as seminars and workshops, the sharing of open-access publications, and the development of joint funding applications. This alliance underscores both universities' dedication to tackling complex global challenges through interdisciplinary research and international academic excellence.