

Upgraded R&D Service Platform Facilitates Startup Enterprises

By Mao Xinhui

2013 Global Entrepreneurship Week China has recently dropped its curtain in Knowledge & Innovation Community (KIC). The theme of "Entrepreneur Dream; China Dream" gained increasing popularity among participants. Yangpu is becoming the "Entrepreneur Valley" for people to start their businesses.

At the closing ceremony, Shanghai Step Technology Finance Group Co., Ltd (STEP), as one of the sponsors of the event, signed an agreement with SGST.cn and chinahr.com. All parties will share service resources, innovate service products

and items so as to provide more professional, comprehensive and convenient services to startup businesses. As agreed, SGST.cn will donate technology literature services valued RMB1 million to STEP while STEP is to provide comprehensive technology finance and business startup support at the upgraded SGST.cn as the public R&D service platform. STEP is to introduce a good variety of characteristic financial service functions and modules to SGST.cn, including Angel Guidance, China Development Bank wholesale loan, financing warranty, entrepreneurship investment and incubation, corporate services (including cor-

porate infrastructure and policy agency, etc.), entrepreneurship training, expert consulting, etc.

Through the new platform, SMEs and mini-enterprises can enjoy as much as RMB2.5 billion credit loan as financing warranty services and can also apply to settle down in a preferential model (investment plus incubation) in the incubation base and business nursery garden whose total area is 8,000 square meters. The new platform will provide professional R&D resources to support startup enterprises by sharing technology literature, large equipment & facility, and professional technology, connecting demand with supply services.

During the week-long event, "China Angel Investment & Incubation Research Report" was issued. According to the report, China's angel investment case number and financing volumes kept growing from 2008 to 2012. In the first half of 2013, angel investment remained active. 135 cases were disclosed, involving RMB520 million investment, accounting for 69.6% of the total cases in 2012 and 74.9% of total investment volume in 2012.

The report also pointed out that the basic environment for angel investment in China was still insufficient and put forward suggestions that professional management should

be adopted to attract more investment into angel investment field, improve credibility mechanism so as to guarantee angel investment benefits, etc.

As learned, InnoSpace which was kicked off again at the closing ceremony is a pioneer in this aspect. The second training campus is to start in early 2014, aiming to help people turn their ideas into reality. Applications should have internet/mobile internet projects which are still at the initial stage; team size is about 2-5 people while the incubation period is six months; products have positive market prospects and commercial value.



On November 23, the 2013 National Human Resource Market Service Week - Employment Service Month for Shanghai College Graduates officially started in Shanghai. Photography by Zhu Lan

Fudan Likely to Cancel "1,000 Scores" Examinations in 2015

By Zong He

Since the start of the new semester, high middle school students and their parents have been talking about the news whether Fudan University will really cancel the "1,000 Scores" examinations. As learned, Fudan is to continue with the examinations as written test for independent enrollment in 2014. The school hopes to replace these examinations with High Middle School Level Tests in 2015. However, the plan is still waiting for approval from the Ministry of Education, which means 2014 will be the last year for Fudan to conduct "1,000 Scores" test if the plan is approved.

Fudan started "1,000 Scores" examinations which is officially called "Fudan Level Test" in 2006 to independently enroll students with written tests. The tests include 200 items for students to choose on Chinese, mathematics, English,

politics, history, geography, physics, chemistry, biology and computers. Right answer for each item means 5 scores; no answer means no score; wrong answer means minus 2. All right answers to the 200 items means 1,000 scores in total. In the past years, all these items have been given by professors on each subject as trusted by Fudan University, based on the requirements that fundamental knowledge should be the focus without items beyond the scope of what is taught in middle school. Some students, however, complained that the "1,000 Scores" examinations are more difficult than the college entrance examinations.

In September, Shanghai Municipal Education Commission announced to reform the high middle school level test, pointing out that the level test is an important way to evaluate comprehensively the learning of high middle school students, test and guide the education

quality of high middle schools in Shanghai. The results of the examinations shall serve as an important reference for universities to enroll students. Therefore, whether the results of the level test will replace independent examinations of universities in Shanghai has become a focus of attention.

As learned, Fudan won't cancel the "1,000 Scores" examinations in 2014 and will fundamentally stick to the test model in 2013. Specific details for 2014 examinations will be published when the universities kick off independent enrollment for 2014 as arranged by the Ministry of Education. As required by Shanghai Municipal Education Commission, Fudan is likely to replace the "1,000 Scores" examinations in 2015 with the high middle school level test. However, related plans have to be approved by the Ministry of Education before official announcement to the public.

Citizens aged above 60 Get Free Pneumonia Vaccine

By Mao Xinhui

People aged 60 and above with local household registry (hukou) can get free pneumonia vaccine for free as it is one of the major public health services that the city is offering to its people. All community health service centers are carrying out this service in Yangpu District.

According to Xu Qi, Director of Pingliang Road Community Health Service Center, the hospital will screen comprehensively the qualified population within its prefecture, notify them and solicit their intentions and get them registered if they don't have contraindications and are willing to be inoculated.

After inoculation, each aged person would be requested to stay in the hospital for half an hour for safety's sake. Someone may have slight reaction such as temporary pain, red and swollen, induration and fever which will generally diminish eventually. Some extreme cases may have headache, not comfortable, fragile and allergic reaction, etc. and should be treated if necessary. In the hospital, the reporter saw each aged person was accompanied by their families to get the injection. "We came along for safety's sake. We want to see ev-

erything is ok," said one family member of an aged person who got inoculated in the hospital.

The principle for the inoculation is "free will, free choice, free inoculation after being informed". 23-Valent Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine adopted in this inoculation service will reduce morbidity rate of streptococcus pneumonia among the aged population and better guarantee the health of the aged people.

As learned, the effect of pneumonia vaccine to prevent serious infection caused by pneumococcus is around 80% among people with normal immunity. Even for people with poor immunity, the inoculation of pneumonia vaccine can still prevent serious infection of pneumococcus, achieving 50-60% success rate.

Yangpu is offering inoculation of pneumonia vaccine in 11 community health service centers, on Tuesday afternoon and Saturday afternoon. Now about 4,000 qualified people have been inoculated. To avoid long time waiting in the hospital, people with inoculation intention can make appointment in the health service center by showing their ID card by themselves or by their family members.

Learning Festival Unveiled

By Gu Tingting

The 7th Yangpu District Learning Festival was unveiled recently, launching 256 learning activities through the district, including calligraphy, seal cutting, photo taking, housekeeping, bridge playing contests, etc.

At the opening ceremony, Yangpu lifelong learning website and "1 plus e family" were officially kicked off. Yangpu District Learning Office will join hands with Shanghai

Distance Education Group, Open University and Community Education College etc. in revising the website. The new portal website and mobile website will be completed and put into use in 2014. As for "1 plus e family", "1" means one family digital learning promoter; "e family" means digital learning family; "1+N" means every student in each family will guide other family members to log on Yangpu learning website and take active part in digital learning such as course observation, etc.