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QIU YONG
President, Tsinghua University

Dear Professor Qiu,

It is my great pleasure to congratulate Tsinghua University on its 110th Anniversary Celebrations. I thank you for the kind invitation to the Global Forum of University Presidents 2021, a critically important bridge-builder between academia and the esteemed Israel-China relationship. I am also grateful for your longstanding significant support and personal friendship with Tel Aviv University, where it was our pleasure to bestow on you our Honorary Doctorate in 2017.

It has been Tel Aviv University's great privilege to be associated with Tsinghua over the past few years, during which we have successfully launched a range of joint academic programs and collaboration in many fields of research and innovation. Our successful partnership has also extended into the elite world of business and industry, where academics, government and industry leaders have established the prestigious CIIF annual conference that provides an exceptional opportunity for initiating dialogue, networking and joint projects in key areas.

Against the background of the emerging changes to global higher education taking place, we share Tsinghua's pursuit of excellence in education and fruitful collaboration with the wider community of global partners. Our interdisciplinary approach in matters of research and our internationalization focus are critical in ensuring continual flow of knowledge, innovation and talent that are essential in rising to our highest potential.

Tel Aviv University endorses the broad range of science, technology and international cooperation that forms the basis of this Global Forum. We are certain that the ideas generated will identify future pathways for universities and uphold our shared goals.

I wish the participants much success and enjoyment in this important event.

Warm regards,

Prof. Ariel Porat
President
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