

Postscript

In order to carry out the guiding principles adopted during the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China, study and carry out the guiding principles from General Secretary Xi Jinping's major policy addresses, the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province and the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences jointly initiated the research on the major program "The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice". The research was conducted by seven research groups, and the final result is the series of books "The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice" (Seven Volumes). The Politics Volume, one volume of the series of books, summarizes Zhejiang's political development and practical experiments in more than ten years since the implementation of the "Eight-Eight Strategies"; it presents an in-depth study of the thoughts, points of view and fruitful achievements developed and made when comrade Xi Jinping was working in Zhejiang; it fully reflects the scientific system of thought developed after he led the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province to promote the vivid practice of socialism with Chinese characteristics in Zhejiang. Throughout the entire book, the chapters are arranged on the basis of the report delivered during the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China, the chapters from Chapter One to Chapter Seven are designed according to the seven articles in "Taking the Socialist Political Developmental Path with Chinese Characteristics, Promoting the Reform of the Political System", and the Introduction and Chapter Eight are added as the overall introduction and a summary of the experiences for the whole book so as to ensure a logically complete system of the book.

The Politics Group among the research groups is made up of the experts and scholars from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences and the Research Office of the People's Government of Zhejiang Province. Research fellow Fang Ning, the Director of the Institute of Political Science of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, serves as the leader of the Politics Group, research fellow Chen Huaxing, the Director of the Institute of Political Science of the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences, serves as the deputy leader of the Politics Group; the members include research fellow Yun Jie, the

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In late March, 2014, research on the major program "The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice" was officially launched. Xia Baolong, the Secretary of the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province, and Wang Weiguang, the Secretary of the Leading Party Members' Group of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the President of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, made the overall arrangement and provided for the overarching guidance for research tasks and work. In late April, the Politics Group held the meeting for its establishment at the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences to determine the members of the group and the preliminary research plan. Subsequently, a number of research activities, including a meeting for the mobilization of the major research for the program, a special learning meeting and discussions about the formulation of a framework for the outline, were carried out in Hangzhou. Ge Huijun, a member of the Standing Committee of the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province and the Director of the Department of Publicity under the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province, Hu Jian, the Executive Deputy Director of the Department of Publicity under the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province and Zhang Weibin, the Secretary of the Party Committee of the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences, gave important instructions about the importance of the research, the line of thought regarding the research, the scheme, steps and personnel. In the middle of April, the members of the major research group for the program from Zhejiang's side studied the guiding principles adopted during the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China and those from General Secretary Xi Jinping's major policy addresses in Tianyuan Tower in Hangzhou; based on a group discussion, they drafted the outlines of the various volumes, and listened to the guiding opinions from the leaders of the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences. Afterwards, the theoretical seminar on the major research for the program was held in Zhijiang Hotel Hangzhou, in which Li Peilin, the Vice President of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, delivered an important speech on such issues as the style of writing, and Hu Jian, the Executive Deputy Director of the Department of Publicity under the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province, gave a detailed introduction to the arrangements of the survey. The Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the Department of Publicity under the Party Committee of Zhejiang Province and the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences dealt with the connection of group work and jointly determined the research group, research framework and scheduling. The Politics Group also held talks with the corresponding units, including the People's Congress of Zhejiang Province, the Politics and Law Committee of Zhejiang Province, and the Policy Research Office of the Party Committee of Taizhou City, gaining a

preliminary understanding of the overall situation of Zhejiang's political development.

During the period April-October, 2014, the Politics Group conducted two large-scale survey activities, made several visits and held multiple symposiums. The survey group conducted field interviews and surveys in Jiande, Fuyang, Wenzhou, Taizhou, Ningbo, Zhoushan and Hangzhou many times. The surveys involved the change of governmental functions, innovations to the manner of the government's management, the reform of the cadre and personnel system, primary-level democracy and consultative democracy, orderly political participation of citizens, supervision of power, the building of Zhejiang under the rule of law, etc. The surveys covered the Shouchang Experience in Jiande, Fuyang's power list and other practices and experience concerning innovations in the mode of government management, the practice and experiments of people's hearings in Yueqing, the experience and effects of the learning organization in the Zhejiang Chint Group, Wenzhou's citizens' supervisory group, the system for the avoidance of conflicts of interest, the governance mechanism featuring coordination among communities, social organizations and social work professionals, Taizhou's democratic earnest talks, the participatory budget, workstations of the deputies to the people's congress, political consultations, collective consultations on wages, Zhoushan's primary-level grid-based management, etc. With a number of survey activities, the experts of the Politics Group gained an overall and an in-depth understanding of Zhejiang's overall situation, the practice of major innovations and the successful experience in political development in various parts of Zhejiang, and collected a massive amount of primary data for writing and they fully exchanged views on the arrangements and writing of the whole book.

In the middle of October, 2014, the authors of various chapters of *The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice · Politics Volume* finished the first drafts and submitted them to the manuscript review group of the Politics Group for reviewing. Research fellow Fang Ning, the Director of the Institute of Political Science of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the leader of the Research Group of *The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice · Politics Volume*, basically affirmed the first drafts and provided the guiding opinions for its final compilation and the editing and revision at the next step. In late October, the Politics Group held a manuscript review meeting in Zhijiang Hotel Hangzhou, in which the deputy leader Chen Huaxing, and research fellow Yun Jie, the Director of the Administrative Management Research Office, the Institute of Political Science, the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, expressed his opinion on the review of the manuscript and stressed that the revision should further highlight Zhejiang's characteristics, deepen the theme, the layout should be more compact and the arrangement should be normative and unified; he also conducted in-depth one-to-one discussions with the authors of various chapters about the writing, and put forward some well-targeted suggestions for revision. Afterwards, *The Chinese Dream and Zhejiang's Practice · Politics Volume* was delivered to the manuscript review group of Zhejiang, the meeting for the major program research manuscript review was held at the Zhejiang Academy of Social Sciences, in which the reviewing experts

gave detailed explanations and provided guidance about the writing of various volumes and revision requirements. In early December, the major research group of the program finished the final compilation and editing at the Hangzhou White Horse Lake Jianguo Hotel.

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