Recording Civic Action in China

Chinese NGO web archiving project

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Why Chinese Grassroots NGOs?

- Rapid growth of NGOs and increased civil actions. Roughly 702,000 of “social organizations” are currently registered.

- Documentary output of these organizations in both analog and born digital has become essential for the examination and reconstitution of the history of individuals and organizations.

- Urgent needs to preserve records and history under current political climate. NGOs lack of consciousness and capacity to preserve the records.

- Overlooked by institutional archives or libraries

- Increasingly active research area and research needs for longitudinal data
Why Chinese Grassroots NGOs?

Scholarly interests. BAS keyword search: NGOs China, relevant 294 hits
Selection

- Active Grassroots NGOs for at least 3 years
- 424 seeds in Archive-It with 359 continuing to be crawled on an ongoing basis. 1/3 are social media sites. monthly and quarterly crawl. 1.1 TB of data.
- environment
- public health
- women/sexualities
- education
- labors
- limited NGO news, early NGO incubators, foundations
- At risk: right protection, advocacy, LGBT
Selection

- Websites
- blog
- Weibo
- Douban
- web news/article on special topics
March 4 2014 Beijing Yirenping Center 北京益仁平中心
March 2015 广东番禺打工族服务部
Apr. 23, 2015 NGO LegalAid 众泽妇女法律咨询中心
Love Knowledge Action 北京爱知行

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Policy & Process

- Stanford university library web archiving service policy

- reasonable effort to notify content owners: permission notice

- six-month embargo

- option not to publish or partial publish

- Metadata Object Description Schema (MODS)
Preservation and Representation

- Archive-It

- Stanford Digital Repository. 237 GB of 1.1TB is preserved in SDR, which represents the data crawled up 2015 through December 2016

- Spotlight Exhibit

- SearchWorks
Spotlight at Stanford is an application for showcasing digital content in easy-to-produce exhibits.
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This is a digital collection of archived websites and social media of selected Chinese grassroots non-government organizations. Currently the collection includes complete captures of 200 NGOs in six areas since 2015—gender, environment, education, labor, rural development, and health. It is a growing collection with continuing addition of new content. A bibliography of scholarly works on Chinese NGOs and emerging civil society that published in recent 20 years and a timeline of critical milestone events in the history of Chinese grassroots NGO development, including laws, regulations and government policy, establishment of major NGOs, important conferences and high impact events, are also presented on this exhibition.

This collection has the distinction of tracing and gathering information for the same groups of organizations repeatedly at multiple points in time, thus provides scholars and practitioners a rare opportunity to observe the longitudinal evolution and transformation of China’s civic sphere. However, please note, due to various issues including unstable internet connection, still developing crawling technology, obstruction of access, quality of the captures and data vary. Our goal is to capture as much of the technology and access allow.

The broad appeal of this approach is evident. Currently we are watching a historical pivotal moment when China has recently passed a series of laws to establish greater regulatory control over managing civil society. In spite of critical condition, however, China’s growth in NGOs has not stopped. The flourishing domain of NGOs is not a clear-cut story of victories and heroes. NGOs are facing a wide range of choices. Are they going to become facilitators of democracy, alternative social service providers, the state’s partners, the engine for social experiment, or all above? This collection offers innovative data to each fruitful analysis.

The duration of digital parts in this collection is guided by emerging scholarly perspectives on how to use websites and social media as data sources. Nowadays websites are a primary point of access and communication between communicators and organizations. Scholars have yet to fully utilize them as analytical data especially websites in Chinese even though China has the largest Internet using population in the world. Websites are an expression of organizational identity, a representation of how an organization presents itself. Websites are also tools, a venue for getting things accomplished. Thirdly, websites are relational maps, a picture of civil interactions an organization has with its external environment as well as its internal organization. This collection is an arena where scholars could generate new knowledge, methods and techniques through exploring those three aspects.

This archiving project is a collaboration between Stanford East Asia Library, Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society, and Digital Library and Services, Stanford University, and supported by the Mellon Foundation Council on East Asian Librariansship Innovation Grants for East Asian Librariansship.
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**Language:** Chinese

**Genre:** archived website

**Notes:** Archived by Stanford University, East Asia Library

**Collection:** Chinese Non-Profit Organizations Web Archive
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Books in English 1995-2016
 Selection of scholarly books in Chinese that published 1995-2016 and grouped by the topics. For details, click on the left.
Chinese NPO: Major Events 1989-2016

Included here are some of the major events related to Chinese NPOs that occurred 1989-2016.

1989


1991

1991年，中国的环保组织成立。这是中国在环保领域的第一家长时间的环保组织。自然保护基金会与专家启动，“自然之友”成为第一个独立的保护组织，这是世界上环保组织中的一枝独秀。

1994

1994年3月31日，“自然之友”在中国文化书院（绿色文化分院）成立，这是中国第一家长时间的环保组织。
SearchWorks

Chinese Non-Profit Organizations Web Archive

Collection details

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197 items.

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Topic: archived website, Non-governmental organizations, Environmental protection, 非盈利性组织, 环境保护, 环保基金会, and 企业家环保
Language: Chinese
Collaboration and Partnership

University:
- Administration
- Research centers

Library

Tech networks:
- Web archiving

Public:
- Potential donors
- Foundations
- Audience

Chinese NGOs
Collaboration

- East Asia Library
- Stanford Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society
- Stanford University Digital Library and Services
- Stanford Library metadata department
- Financial support: Leping Social Entrepreneur Foundation 北京乐平公益基金会
- Web Archiving Service: Archive-It
Challenges

- Changing political environment
- Moving target: constantly changing URL
- Crawler limitation: dynamic content, streaming media, JavaScript, form and database-driven content, password protected content, robots.txt, Wechat
- Quality assurance: test crawls, crawl reports, set up scope, difficulty to estimate the full contours of a website to set scope/limit, linked and interlinked. Lack of weeding tool for curators
- Time and money
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