



SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL: BUILDING BEAUTIFUL AND EXCELLENT SMALL SCALE RURAL SCHOOLS IN CHINA

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About the seminar

There were 200,199 rural schools in China in 2015. Among them, there were 111,420 rural small scale schools with less than 100 students, accounting for 55.7% of the total number of rural schools. First, this seminar gives a summary of the changes and trends of rural education in China. It addresses that the phenomenon of large classes and big scale schools in cities and towns is caused by a rapid urbanization and the unprecedented population flow in China over the past decades. Second, it illustrates the importance and significance of the development of small scale schools in China's rural education. Third, it reviews the practices by local governments, schools and NGOs to improve education quality of rural small scale schools in terms of professional developments, curriculum development and instructional methods. At last, it concludes by putting forward some countermeasures for promoting policy efficacy and development of rural small scale schools.

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