## SKILLS AND EXPERTISE OF KEY STAFF MEMBERS

Please provide the names of the key staff members and indicate for each his/her expertise relevant to the implementation of the project and the role to be undertaken in the project

Name <sup>1</sup>	Summary of relevant skills and experience (limit 1000 characters per person)
XIONG Hou (Teaching Staff)	Prof. XIONG Hou is the honorary deputy director of the Centre for European Studies of SWJTU and the senior research fellow in Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), who has worked in the field of European studies for more than 10 years and is fluent at English. In the year of 2007, he joined the Institute of European Studies of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences as a Ph.D. graduate from Department of World Economics, Sichuan University of China. He was firstly recruited as the project coordinator of EU-China European Studies Centre Programme. After the year 2008, he became a researcher in CASS and succeeded in competing for a scholarship to spend one year in Germany Development Institute. In 2011, he held a position as associate professor in IES/CASS. He is also associate professor at SWJTU and accepted the invitation by the SWJTU as an honorary deputy director of the CES in 2015.
	Prof. XIONG Hou focused his research on European Economic Integration in the beginning of his researcher career. He gradually extended the research to the related fields of the European Model, development cooperation and European development policy, EU-China Relations. He has been deeply involved in the important European studies research programs which includes: "The role of the EU in promoting a multi-polar world order"(funded by the National Social Science Foundation of China), "EU-China European Studies Centre Programme"(funded by the EU), "EU-China Social Security Reform Co-operation Project"(funded by the EU), "A historical analysis of EU-China relations"(funded by CASS), "Comparative Study of Welfare System" (financed by Ministry of Labor and Social Protection), and so on.
	Prof. XIONG Hou published several influential articles related on European Studies. His publications mainly cover European Economic Integration, EU's welfare system and EU's external relations. On European Economic Integration, his articles includes, "Europe's Financial Reform Under Sovereign Debt Crisis" ( in China International Studies, No. 145, 2011), "Contradictions of Monetary Policy in Euro Area"(in Chinese Journal of Theory and Practice of Finance and Economics, vol. 27, No. 140, 2006), "Convergence of Government Debt Management in Euro Area"(in Chinese Journal of Social Science of Hunan Normal University, vol. 35, No. 6, 2006). On EU's welfare

system, his article includes, "EU Social Policy's Effect on Labor Market" (in Chinese Journal of Gansu Social Sciences, No. 1, 2007). On EU's external relations, his article includes, "Disputes of Photovoltaic Products Trade between EU and China" (in Chinese Journal of Contemporary World, No. 7, 2013). In addition to these articles, he also submitted quite a few policy reports, including "How China responds to European Sovereign Debt Crisis" (to Chinese Finance Ministry).

Prof. XIONG Hou was involved in various teaching activities. During 2010-2012, he was a teaching assistant of the Graduate School of CASS. He helped to teach a course named "Frontier Issues of International studies" which partly related to European Studies. CASS invited China's most famous professors to teach this course. As the teaching assistant, he learned a lot from these professors and accumulated enough teaching skills. Since the year 2011, he began to teach graduate students. Most of the courses were related on European Economics and European Development Policy. Up to now he has taught many hours and was welcomed by his students.

Prof. XIONG Hou was enthusiastic in helping establish the teaching and researching network of European Studies in China. When he was engaged in the EU-China European Studies Centre Programme and EU-China Social Security Reform Co-operation Project, he contributed a lot to build a network to strengthen the communication among China's experts on European Studies besides his own research task.