

Press Release: Laogai Research Foundation Participates in Frankfurt Book Fair

Washington, DC-October 14,2009- This week Laogai Research Foundation Executive Director Harry Wu and Laogai Research Foundation Director Tienchi Liao are participating in a series of events of at the Frankfurt Book Fair to launch *Laogai: The Machinery of Repression in China*, LRF's most recent publication by Umbrage Editions, promote the Laogai Research Foundation's *Black Series*, and promote Harry Wu's German publication *Donner der Nacht, mein Leben als Christ in China*.



The activities taking place include the following:

October 14, 2009- Panel Discussion: What is the Laogai?

Featuring Speakers Harry Wu and Dai Qing
Languages of the discussion: Chinese and German

October 15, 2009- Panel Discussion: Literature and the Memory of History

Featuring Speakers Harry Wu, Ma Jian, Hermann-Anders Korte
Moderator: Shi Ming
Languages of the discussion: Chinese and German

October 15, 2009- Panel Discussion Symbolism of Chinese Art

Featuring Speakers Dai Qing, Harry Wu, Ma Jian
Languages of the discussion: Chinese and German

October 16, 2009- Panel Discussion How safe are Chinese-made foods, toys and garments

Featuring Speakers Zhou Qing and Harry Wu
Languages of the discussion: Chinese and German

October 17, 2009- My Life and Death in the Chinese Laogai

Speaker Harry Wu
Languages of the discussion: English and Chinese

October 18.,2009- The Germans and the Chinese: Bias, Misunderstanding and Clichés

Featuring Speakers Harry Wu, Dai Qing, Zhou Qing, Tienchi Liao
Languages of the discussion: Chinese and German

All speakers are available for interviews by German and international media. For further inquiry, please contact Lindsey Purdy at Lindsey@laogai.org or at (202) 408-8300.

The Laogai Research Foundation is a not-for-profit organization founded by former political prisoner Harry Wu in 1992. Its mission is to gather information on and raise public awareness of the Laogai—China's extensive system of forced labor prison camps.

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