

## DECORATION OF CHINESE SCIENTIST



In November 10, 2010 at the Beijing Aeronautical Manufacturing Technology Research Institute (AMTRI) the solemn ceremony was held for decoration of Prof. Guan Qiao, the scientist of Academy of Engineering Sciences of China, with the order of Ukraine «For Merits» of the III degree. The order was presented to the scientist by Yu.V. Kostenko, the ambassador of Ukraine in China (Photo). In the ceremony of presentation Prof. Gao Jian She, vice-president of AVIC, Prof. Li Xiaohong, president of Academy of Fundamental Engineering AVIC, Prof. Zhang Jun, director of the Beijing AMTRI, took part.

During his address to the audience Prof. Guan Qiao outlined:

*«First of all let me express my profound appreciation to the Ukrainian government and people of Ukraine for awarding the order «For Merits» of the III degree.*

*This is a great honor not only for me but also for our Institute. We accepted this order as a symbol of friendship and cooperation between two nations!*

*At the moment I can't but remind of the history of my relationships with representatives of Ukrainian science, growth of sympathy to Ukraine.*

*I am engineer-welder, since the 1950s of the last century almost ten years I studied at the N.E. Bauman Moscow STU, where I graduated from the post-graduated courses, then came back home and started working in the Beijing AMTRI.*

*Already being a student I was astonished at brilliant achievements of welding science and technology*

*in the Soviet Union, especially a great contribution of scientists and specialists of the E.O. Paton Electric Welding Institute to the final victory in the Great Patriotic War.*

*Also I read with enthusiasm the selected works of E.O. Paton «Welded Structures», which predetermined my choice.*

*For the last 30 years, having the information about activity of the PWI and extensive relations with the scientists of the PWI, I did my best to familiarize the Chinese colleagues with numerous technologies, latest methods, initiatives and inventions developed at the PWI under the leadership of the Prof. B.E. Paton. They include the processes of electron beam welding, electron beam evaporation to create heat-resistant coatings on gas-turbine blades, non-destructive methods of testing of quality and measuring of stresses in welded structures and their diagnostics, etc. As a result of bilateral cooperation the exchange of specialists between the PWI and Chinese organizations including the Beijing AMTRI was established.*

*Recently the delegation from the Beijing AMTRI returned from the PWI after summing up of works on the joint project.*

*Among the specialists of the PWI a number of scientists, in particular Leonid M. Lobanov, Arkady A. Ignatushenko and other visit us regularly in the scope of scientific technical exchange.*

*I am pleased that this cooperation on actual trends continues to give fruitful results for the welfare of both sides.*

*During International Conference in 1998 in Kiev devoted to the 80th anniversary of Prof. B.E. Paton I presented the paper at the plenary session in honor of jubilee person and his respect.*

*The E.O. Paton Electric Welding Institute and Prof. B.E. Paton are recognized widely not only in China, but throughout the world as well. This is a real scientific potential and treasure of Ukraine at the world arena.*

*I sincerely wish a great prosperity to the Ukrainian science and technology, every happiness to the Ukrainian people!»*