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Yuan Ren (1972-), PhD, Professor at Fudan University's School of Social Development and Public Policy, and at Institute of Population Research (IPR). He was a board member of International Sociology Association (ISA) Urban and Regional Sociology Research Committee (RC21) (2014-2018), and board member of Urban Governance for Sustainable Cities Network (UGSCN)(2013-2015). He is steering committee member of Urban China Research Network (UCRN). He is Fellow of New Century Excellent Talents, awarded by Chinese National Education Commission (2012).

Prof. Ren received his Ph.D. in Economics from Fudan University in 1999 and since then he has been teaching at the school. He was promoted to full professor in 2006. He has been visiting fellowships at University of Aberdeen in the UK by British Council (2000), post-doctoral research associate at University of Illinois at Chicago (2002), and visiting researcher at the International Center for the Study of East Asian Development in Japan (2006). He has been Fulbright Visiting Scholar at Brown University (2015-2016). His main research interests include population, urbanization and social development, and his research covers population and development, migration and urbanization, aging studies, employment and labor market, welfare institutions and social development, social work and social policy, urban affair and urban governance, urban sustainability, and so on, with a primary focus on China.

Prof. Ren was the editor of Historical Lessons: Chinese Population Development Report (1949-2018) (Beijing: 2019), co-editor of Greening China's Urban Governance (Springer: 2019); author of China's Next Urbanization (Shanghai: 2017), author of Post-Demographic Transition (Shanghai: 2016); co-editor of Reshaping Welfare Institutions in China and the Nordic Countries (Helsinki & Shanghai: 2014); co-author Migration and Urbanization in Contemporary China (Shanghai: 2013); author of Temporary Migrants' Living Patterns and Their Social Integration in Urban China (Shanghai: 2012), co-editor and contributor of The Era of Global City-Regions (Shanghai: 2009), author of Employment in Transition Society: Community-based Employment and Social Policies (Shanghai: 2007), editor and contributor of Chinese Informal Employment Report (Chongqing: 2007), and et al. He also has published a score of articles in such journals as Journal of East Asian Studies, Globalizations, International Planning Studies, International Journal of Health Policy Management, Chinese Journal of Population Science, Social Science in China, Sociological Research, Population and Economics, Population Studies, Chinese Population, Resource and Environment, and several edited books.

Visiting Experience

- Fulbright Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology and Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University (2015–2016)
- Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Chicago (2002)
- Visiting Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Aberdeen (2000)
- Visiting Scholar, East Asian Development Institute, Japan (2006)

Academic Affiliations

- Vice Chairman, Professional Committee on Migration Sociology, Chinese Sociological Association (2017–)
- Editorial Board Member, Urban and Rural Planning (2016–)
- Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Population Studies
- Management Committee Member, Urban China Research Network (UCRN) (2012–)
- Member, Research Committee 21 on Urban and Regional Sociology, International Sociological Association (2014–2018)
- Committee Member, EU-China Urban Governance and Sustainability Research Network (UGSCN) (2013–2015)
- Executive Director, Shanghai Population Association (2013–)
- Member, Population Development Expert Advisory Committee (2009–)
- Academic Committee Member, Urban and Social Research Center, Tongji University (2015–)
- Distinguished Professor, Collaborative Innovation Center for Smart Urbanization, Tongji University (2013–2015)

Awards and Honors

- Has received multiple provincial and ministerial academic awards, including the National Excellent Achievements Award in Population Science, Shanghai Philosophy and Social Sciences Outstanding Achievements Award, and Shanghai Decision-Making Consultation Research Achievements Award.
- Selected as New Century Excellent Talents by the Ministry of Education (2012).
- Awarded Shanghai New Social Science Scholar by Shanghai Federation of Social Science Circles (2012).
- Honored as Top Ten Young Demographers of China by the National Population and Family Planning Commission (2006).

Research Projects

- In the past five years, he has directed and undertaken more than 20 national, provincial-level, governmental consulting and international research projects.
- Current major projects include:
 - Research on China's Population Development Strategy in the New Era (Major Project of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shanghai Municipal Education Commission Research Innovation Program)
 - Family-Centered Migration and Welfare Policy Research (Key Project of the National Social Science Fund of China)
 - Impacts of Emerging Technologies on Social Governance in Shanghai's Mega-City and Countermeasures (Key Soft Science Project, Shanghai Science and Technology Commission)

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