Lecturer/Associate Professor Department of Civic Design Xi'an Jiaotong – Liverpool University

Applications are invited for two positions in the Department of Civic Design at Xi'an Jiaotong - Liverpool University. The Department specialises in urban design and environmental planning. Successful applicants will have, or expect shortly to receive, a PhD, or be able to demonstrate appropriate professional experience. Candidates for the role of Associate Professor should also be able to demonstrate an appropriate record of research and publication. Preference may be given to candidates who can contribute expertise in environmental planning, or the practice of urban design and planning, but applications are invited in all areas of urban and environmental planning.

Xi'an Jiaotong - Liverpool University (XJTLU) is a unique collaborative institution, the first and currently the only university in China to offer both UK and Chinese accredited undergraduate degrees. Formed in 2006, the first cohort of students graduated in August 2010. The university now has 4,000 students studying in ten academic departments. The language of instruction in years two to four is English. XJTLU aims to become truly research-led, and has recently committed significant investment into research development and the expansion of PhD student numbers on campus. The Department of Civic Design is a relatively new department established to provide high quality professional planning education. It currently offers an undergraduate degree programme with two streams, Urban Design and Environmental Planning.

XJTLU is located in the Higher Education Town of Suzhou Industrial Park (SIP), 80km from Shanghai and connected by high speed rail and road links. SIP is a major growth zone, including operations run by nearly one-fifth of the Fortune 500 top global companies. The broader Suzhou area encompasses the spirit of both old and new in China, with the historic old town a major World Heritage Site. Greater Suzhou is now the fourth largest concentration of economic activity in China in terms of GDP, and SIP offers a high quality of life.

The salary range for these positions is 20,604 – 25,245 RMB/month (Lecturer) and 25,628 – 34,986 RMB/month (Associate Professor). In addition, members of academic staff are entitled to accommodation and travel allowances, medical insurance, and relocation expenses. Overseas staff may receive a tax "holiday" of up to three years, depending on nationality and personal circumstances.

To apply: please provide a CV and a covering letter (in English) outlining your interest in the position, and complete an Applicant Information Form and Equal Opportunities Form. Further details can be found on the website: http://www.xitlu.edu.cn

Applications should be received by 31st January 2011 (please quote reference CDES11). Informal enquiries may be addressed to the Head of Department, Dr Xiaonan Zhang (xiaonan.zhang@xitlu.edu.cn)