

## The Tatarstan-Chinese relations in the humanitarian sphere: Forms of interaction

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### Abstract

© the author(s). The relevance of the research problem in the first place is due to the fact that the XXI century has opened for Russia and China new opportunities for further development of bilateral relations, characterized by dynamism over the past decade. Strategic cooperation between Russia and China, proclaimed in the late 90-ies of the last century as the basis, creates regionally favorable political opportunities for bilateral cooperation. The purpose of this study is to examine the Tatarstan-Chinese relations in the humanitarian sphere, as this aspect of the bilateral relationship hasn't been fully reviewed in the scientific literature. A leading approach to the study of this problem are the principles of historicism and scientific objectivity, consistency, as well as the description and analysis of specific situations, international projects, their explanation, comparison and generalization. The article presents the results of research the Tatarstan-Chinese relations in the humanitarian sphere, namely: the estimation of efficiency of bilateral cooperation in the field of culture, education and science during the studied period is given; identified promising areas of growth for cooperation in the fields of the study; recommendations for improving the implementation of joint humanitarian projects are offered. Materials of the article can be useful for the staff of government institutions in elaboration of regional development strategy in the field of culture, science and education, and also can be used in special and generalizing researches on general history, history of international relations and interstate relations of Russia and China; in the writing of textbooks on modern history of Russia and China, the history of Russian-Chinese political, economic and cultural ties.

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