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From 1986 to date, Chen Yun-tai served as President (1986-1991, 1995-2002), Vice President (1991-1995), of Seismological Society of China. He has served as Director of the Institute of Geophysics, State Seismological Bureau (later China Seismological Bureau and now China Earthquake Administration) from 1986 to 2000. He has served as Professor in Graduate School, Chinese Sciences and Technology University (Beijing). He has taught over 200 geophysical students at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels since 1978. He served as principal supervisor for M. Sc. and Ph. D. candidates, including two Ph. D. foreign candidates. Many students received training in his group and have become successful researchers. He was elected as Member of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) in 1991, and as Fellow of the Third World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) in 1999. He was Vice-Chairman of the Earth Science Division of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (1998-2000). Presently he is Vice-Chairman of the Consultative Committee of the CA S.

Chen Yun-tai's was elected as Vice-Chairman of the Federation of Digital broadband Seismograph Network (FDSN) in 1989-1991. He was a member of the Editorial Board of the Pure and Applied Geophysics (PAGEOPH) from 1986-1999 and is currently the member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Seismology (JOSE). From 1995 to 2002, he served as the member of the Board of the UNESCO-IGCP Project "Seismic Ground Motion in Large Urban Areas". Presently, he is a Bureau Member of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG) and a Bureau Member of the Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS) and President of the Solid-Earth Section, AOGS.

As a result of his scientific achievements, Chen Yun-tai has received several awards. In 1978, he received the Award of National Sciences Congress of China. In 1987 he received the Third Class Award of National Natural Sciences of China. In 1998 he received the Third Class Award of Progress of Science and Technology of China. He also received several Awards of Progress of Science and Technology of the State Seismological Bureau, three Second Classes in 1983, 1983, 1988 and one First Class in 1998. In 1986, he was appointed as National Distinguished Scientist by the National Science and Technology Commission of China. In 1987, he received a medal from Grand Duke of the Luxembourg for his scientific achievements and promotion of friendship between Chinese and Luxembourg people.