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This online webinar was delivered by Professor Fanrong Meng from the School of Public Policy and Administration and the Executive Director of the Research Center for Performance Management of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU), China, a participant of the “Enago Starlight Program.” Professor Meng’s webinar focused on the following key points:

1. Characteristics and features of scientific societies.
2. Why scientific societies should participate in national governance.
3. Main ways for scientific societies to participate in public crisis management.
4. Strategy to improve the efficacy of participating in public crisis management by scientific societies.

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About the Speaker

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