Organizers: Department of Library and Information Science, Fu Jen Catholic University, Fu Jen Catholic University Library

Date: May 20, 2013

Venue: Conference Room, Fahy Memorial Building, Fu Jen Catholic University

Library Discipline Services Conference and 2nd General Session of the 11th Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Interlibrary Cooperation Association

Organizers: Interlibrary Cooperation Association, National Sun Yat-sen University Office of Library and Information Services Date: May 23, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, National Sun Yat-sen University

Library Discipline Services Conference and the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Digital Dissertation Consortium

Organizers: Digital Dissertation Consortium, National Sun Yat-sen University Office of Library and Information Services

Date: May 24, 2013

Venue: Info-Library Building, National Sun Yatsen University

Conference on Exploring and Using Academic Resources

Organizers: Taiwan E-Books Supply Cooperative Limited, Chinese Information Literacy Association Co-organizers: Feng Chia University Library, Superstar Group Date: June 18, 2013 Venue: Feng Chia University Library

Big Data and Library

Organizers: National Taiwan Normal University Library, Superstar Group Date: June 28, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, National Taiwan Normal University Library

NCL International Exchange Events

2013.05.02 The German Cultural Center (Goethe-Institut) Taipei and the NCL jointly arranged a keynote address at the NCL International Conference Hall by Director General Hannelore Vogt of the Cologne Public Library in Germany. Under the theme of "Insights into Opportunities, Leading the Trends," Director General Vogt's speech introduced the ways that Cologne Public Library has striven to transform and innovate new missions for libraries.



Director General Hannelore Vogt (center)

2013.05.24 Dr. Nguyen Ngoc Tho, director of the Research Department at Ho Chi Minh City University of Social Sciences and Humanities in Vietnam, visited the NCL to discuss exchanges and cooperation in Sinology resources.



Dr. Nguyen Ngoc Tho (center) with Director Liao (second from left), International Cooperation Division, NCL.

2013.05.24 Dean of the Library at Monmouth University Dr. Ravindra Sharma visited the NCL's Rare Books Room and service facilities. He also toured the "National Libraries around the World" exhibition held at the NCL in celebration of the library's 80th anniversary.



Dr. Ravindra Sharma at the "National Libraries around the World" exhibition.

2013.06.11 The Deputy Director of the Acquisitions Division at the National Assembly Library of the Republic of Korea, Mi-Kyung Lee, led a delegation to visit the NCL. The group learned about the NCL services and facilities, and presented a briefing on the library's "Window to Korea" program. The visitors were impressed by the NCL's encouragement of librarian research and the deposit system, as well as the library's Chinese rare book collection and information management systems for international publication exchanges.



Deputy Director Mi-Kyung Lee (second from left), Ms. Hye-yoon Seol (first from left), Ms. Su-Jin Han (first from right) and Director Liao.

2013.06.18 A 12-person delegation of young scholars and experts from the eastern United States visited the NCL. The group listened to a briefing at the Center for Chinese Studies and toured the NCL's Rare Books Room and service facilities.



A group photo of Deputy Director General Wu (center) and visitors.

2013.06.24 Representative of the Taipei Trade and Economic Representative Office in Ulaanbaatar, Mr. Elbeg Samdan, met with the NCL's Director-general Tseng to discuss cooperation possibilities.



Mr. Elbeg Samdan (left) with Director General Tseng (right).

2013.06.26 A delegation from the China Social Sciences Press led by Deputy Editor-in-chief Cao Hongju visited the NCL. The group toured the collection of the Center for Chinese Studies and learned about the NCL collection of local records.



Director General Tseng (fifth from right) takes a group photo with President of the Association of Chinese Historians Mr. Zhang Haipeng (fourth from right) and other visitors.

Chinese Studies Symposium 2013.04.12

The World Sinology Lecture was presented by current CCS grant recipient Maura Dykstra, a doctoral candidate in the Department of History at the University of California, Los Angeles, who spoke on "Borders, Countries, and Markets: The Rise and History of Chongqing Merchant Groups during the Yongzheng and Daoguang Periods." Ms. Dykstra's research is focused on understanding how these Chongqing merchant groups formed "xing" and "bang" groups to maintain and manage the enormous business network, as well as their mediation and mutually beneficial cooperation with local and central governments.



Ms. Maura Dykstra (first from left, front row)

Ms. Dykstra pointed out that during the Ming and Qing dynasties the population in Sichuan drastically dropped. The market in Chongqing, long languid and depressed, began growing during the end of the Kangxi period (1662-1722). By the Jiaqing period (1796-1820), it had become one of the busiest inland port markets in China. There was an encouragement of immigration policy during the Kangxi period, which led Chongqing merchants being supported by immigrants from Hubei, Hunan, Guangxi, and Guangdong. Traders from the various provinces came together to form a highly diversified society, which was at the core of the unique culture that quickly developed in Chongqing.