

■ *6th General Membership Assembly of Taiwan Academic E-book & Database Consortium*

Organizer: National Taiwan Normal University Library

Date: March 22, 2013

Venue: International Conference Hall, National Taiwan Normal University Library



Dean XU RongZhu (3rd from left), NCL Deputy Director-general Wu (Center).

■ *2013 Membership Assembly of Taiwan E-books Supply Cooperative Limited*

Organizer: Feng Chia University Library

Date: March 29, 2013

Venue: Feng Chia University

NCL International Exchange Events

2013.01.10 Professor Yang Guanghui, deputy director of Fuden University Library, visited the NCL. Prof. Yang took this opportunity to read the special collections of books from the Rare Book Room and to collect research data as well.

2013.01.11 Dean, Professor Xu Rongzhu, of South Korea Dankook University Oriental Research Institute, led a delegation of 14 persons made up of professors, directors and researchers from his university to visit the NCL. They exchanged views with the Liaison Division of the CCS, Director Keng, to discuss such issues as the exchange of information. They visited the CCS data section and the rare book room.

2013.01.31 Kevin Chapman, president of Publishers Association of New Zealand, Anne de Lautour, director of president of Publishers Association of New Zealand, and Belinda Jones, manager of Creative New Zealand came to visit NCL. They exchanged views regarding publication conditions, electronic books, and reading habits in both countries.



Deputy Director General Wu (second from left) gave publications to Kevin Chapman (first from left).

2013.02.25 Members of “International Federation of Library Associations & Institutions (IFLA) Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania (RSCAO)” visited NCL during the period of Mid-Term Meeting. They visited rare books

room as well as other service facilities.



A group photo taken in the rare books room

2013.02.27 There are five visitors from Shanghai Library visiting the NCL. They watched the introduction of the NCL, and visited rare books room as well as other service facilities afterwards.



Director Liao (first from left) took a group photo with visitors in rare books room.

Chinese Studies Symposium

2013.01.15

The Center for Chinese Studies and National Taiwan Normal University's College of International Studies and Education for Overseas

Chinese co-hosted the 2013 Confucian Ethos from an Intercultural Perspective lecture series. Professor Bernhard Fuehrer from the School of Oriental and African Studies at London University spoke on "Sima Qian as a Reader of Master Kong's Utterances."

Professor Fuehrer cited the bamboo strip version of the *Analects* found in a Han grave in Dingzhou (which belonged to Liu Xiu, the King Huai of Zhongshan in Western Han) and compared them with *The Records of the Grand Historian* and other works that record Confucius' thoughts, such as the *Analects*, *Book of Rites*, and *Collected Annotations of the Analects*, with the purpose of showing textual differences between the *Records of the Grand Historian* and the *Analects*.



Professor Bernhard Fuehrer (3rd from left)

Sima Qian was a propagator of Confucian thought, and as such Professor Fuehrer surmises that he must have read many concurrent works on Confucianism before synthesizing them and expounding on them in the *Records of the Grand Historian*.