held at the University of California at Berkeley. Professor Liao Binghui, moderator of Taiwan Research Center in the University of California, San Diego, was invited to speak on "Taiwan Studies Digital Archives."

Events

The 7th Council Meeting of Conference on Cooperation Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources

The 7th Council Meeting of Conference on Cooperation Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources was held on the 23rd of September 2013 at Wuhan Branch Library, National Science Library. There were 11 participants from Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao.

The meeting began with the discussion of the 10th Conference on Cooperation Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources and the 8th Council Meeting responsible party: Hong Kong Public Libraries prepared the program which includes date, venue, main theme, lectures, keynote speakers and the status of the project plan and other planning.



NCL Deputy Director General Wu (5th from left) with participants.

The second part of the meeting was a report of the Secretariat to the Council members on the progress and achievements. It was resolved that attention be given to the 14 cooperation projects. Except those scheduled to be closed in 2014, proceed to progress fully in coordination with the achievements. Encourage to bring up new projects based on the foundation of the achievements.

2013 Information Organizations Professional Technology Education Training

The National Central Library, in view of enhancing the professional knowledge of the personnel on cataloging service, developing automated cataloguing and its new trends, and strengthening the quality and quantity of librarians to improve the effectiveness of information service, the Collection Development and Bibliography Management Division, and the Bibliographic Information Center jointly conducted two sessions of "Information Organizations Professional Technology Education Training Program." There were 4 courses offered: Introduction to MARC 21; MARC 21; Phonetic Conversion Applications; Introduction to CMARC 3 to CMARC 21 Conversion System; Introduction to National Bibliographic Information Network (NBINet); Introduction to Synergy of Metadata Resources in Taiwan.

"Ever Elegant & Refined through the Centuries: Tang and Song Eight Great Masters" Classic Series

The National Central Library and the Taiwan

Association for Chinese Studies jointly organized a guided reading seminar on "Ever Elegant & Refined through the Centuries: Tang and Song Eight Great Masters" classic series. Six local researchers and professors proficient in Tang and Song literature were invited for this event.

Starting the 17th of August and every Saturday onwards from 2:00 to 4:30 pm, at the NCL International Conference Hall, lectures were given on ancient Tang-Song literary works. It was the occasion to introduce and enter into the profound realm of Tang and Song ancient writings, catching a glimpse of the depths and elegance of the Eight Great Masters that subsist for generations.



The classic series poster

In synchronization with the theme of the lectures, a Books and ancient documents exhibition and related activities were offered for appreciation at the NCL Reading Area as well as at the Rare Books Room.

To arouse the interest and appreciation among young students in the elegance of the ancient classics and step inside its rich realm through the handing down of written language specifically through the writings of the Eight Tang-Song great masters, a joint roving lecture was organized by the National Ilan University Library and Information Center, Southern Taiwan University of Technology Library, National Chung Cheng University Library, National Taipei University and other organizations.

The National Taichung University of Education Library also planned a roving seminar of five conferences in the autumn of this year. The Taiwan Association for Chinese Studies also organized four seminars in cooperation and coordination with respective Chinese Depfartments of Taiwan University, Donghua University, and Chung Cheng University.

"Taiwan Citation Index — Humanities and Social Sciences" Formally Launched

The National Central Library, the National Science Council of Humanities and Social Sciences Division, National Applied Research and Technology Policy Research and Information Center all collaborated to establish and put in place the "Taiwan Citation Index — Humanities and Social Sciences" (TCI-HSS). At present, the first stage of functional development in view of promoting scholarly communication based on the service concept of freedom, is accomplished and formally opened for use on the 11th of September 2013.

This database includes several categories: periodicals, doctoral dissertations, books, and periodicals' data. The goal is to complete the collection since 2000 of humanities and scholarly publications from Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macao.