



Director General Tseng with Deputy Librarian Catriona Cannon and ceremony attendees.

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The NCL will assist Oxford in converting and uploading the bibliographic records of their valuable holdings onto the Union Catalog of Chinese Rare Book database. The database contains more than 640,000 bibliographic records and is the important source for researchers to work on Chinese Studies. This cooperation project will certainly strengthen our scholarly exchanges.

Oxford also arranged a guided tour of the Queen’s College Library, the Old Bodleian Quadrangle, Divinity School and Duke Humfrey’s Library, as well as a display of a selection of Chinese Special Collections in the Conservation Studio of the Weston Library. Participants were impressed with Oxford’s historical architecture and rich collection.



Director General Tseng and ceremony attendees see the spectacular scenery around the Oxford city from the roof of the Weston Library.

■ NCL and Lyon Public Library Sign a MOU

Director General Tseng and Lyon Public Library (Bibliothèque municipale de Lyon, BmL) Director, Dr. Gilles Eboli, signed a “Memorandum of Cooperation on the Database of the Union Catalogue of Chinese Rare Books” on April 2. The Lyon Public Library is the largest public library in France. This event opened a new page on Chinese rare books cooperation between NCL and BmL, indicating NCL’s concrete achievement in promoting international cultural exchanges. Chinese section (Le Fonds Chinois) Director, Marc Gilbert, and Chinese books expert, M. Olivier Bialais both witnessed the signing ceremony.

After the signing of the MOU, the BmL will continue to convert and upload the bibliographic records of their valuable Chinese holdings onto the Union Catalog of Chinese Rare Book database. In the future, richer bibliographic information can be provided to many French researchers.



Director General Tseng with Director Gilles Eboli, Director Marc Gilbert, and Mr. M. Olivier Bialais

■ Director General Tseng Visits the Oxford Central Library

Prior to Director General Tseng’s appointment at the University of Oxford to attend the TRCCS opening ceremony, she made special arrangements to visit the Oxford Central Library and spoke with