

posters to visitors. In the first day of the session, lots of visitors were attracted to view the NCL's posters and take pictures, providing a successful promotion of NCL's services to international audience.



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■ NCL Participates in the 9th Council Meeting of the Conference on Cooperative Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources

On November 4 2015, the NCL participated in the 9th Council Meeting of the “Conference on Cooperative Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources (CCDSCR)” and a seminar on “A review and prospects of Chinese resources sharing and cooperation opportunities” that were held at the Hong Kong Central Library.

NCL Deputy Director General Wu shared and discussed the topic on “Reflections on Cultural Heritage from the NCL digitization sharing and cooperation experience” with almost a hundred librarians from the different universities and public libraries in Hong Kong. There were also representatives from the different regions of China and Macau who shared their respective experiences and the direction for the future development of the cooperative development and sharing of Chinese resources.



A group photo taken at the CCDSCR.

■ NCL Participates in the 2015 World Digital Library Annual Meeting and the 4th International Summit of the Book

In an effort to help disseminate mankind's knowledge and to display the beauty of its holdings, the NCL has actively participated in the World Digital Library (WDL) since 2008 by providing high-quality digitized holdings and attending the annual meeting. The NCL's representative not only take part in the annual meeting on November 5-6 at the Egyptian Bibliotheca Alexandrina, but also the 4th International Summit of the Book held on the 6th and 7th.

■ NCL and Linking Publishing Company Cohost the 19th East Asia Publishers Conference

The East Asia Publishers Conference is organized by publishers from Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Korea, and Japan. It is currently promoting the exchange of publications in East Asia. In 2015 the conference was hosted by the NCL and Linking Publishing Company. Held at the NCL, the theme was “Internet, Publishing, and Reading.” Director General Tseng was invited to talk on “Library Promotion of Reading as Seen from Trends in Taiwan Publishing and Reading Habits.” Also presenting at the conference were Taiwan publishers and librarians, as well as two famous founders of online reading groups. Many publishers from Mainland China, Hong Kong, Japan, and Korea attended and joined in the discussion on a vision and the future of reading and publishing in the Internet age.



Director General Tseng presents a speech at the conference

■ 2015 NBINet Library Partner Meeting

On November 27, two important annual

cataloguing cooperation meetings, the “National Bibliographic Information Network (NBINet) Policy Committee” and the “NBINet Meeting of Collaborating Library Directors” were held at the NCL.



A group photo taken at the NCL after the NBINet meeting.

■ The Establishment of the “National Federation of Taiwan Theses and Dissertations E-databases”

On November 6, the NCL, combining with university libraries established the “National Federation of Taiwan Theses and Dissertations E-databases” in view of having a complete collection of the bibliographic data and electronic full text of national theses and dissertations to permanently preserve domestic academic research and to promote global knowledge sharing.

Besides presenting the main directions of cooperation, the current Federation General Assembly also elected 19 representatives from libraries to make up the “Development Committee”.

Also invited for the meeting were Hao-ren Ke, University Librarian of National Taiwan Normal University and a colleague from the NCL who pointed out the significance of the establishment of the Federation and strategies for future cooperation development. In the discussion were pointed out the eventual participation of university libraries from Hong Kong, Macao and Mainland China in the federation, the application of administrative work, the forms of database vendors cooperation and other related issues.



A group photo at the inaugural meeting of the federation.

■ The First Golden Information Awards

In an effort to increase civil servants’ ability to resolve issues by searching NCL databases for information, on November 16, 2015 the NCL hosted the first “Golden Information Awards: National Competition of Library Information Literacy for Civil Servants.” Following the competition, awards were presented by Director General Tseng.

This competition saw questions based on the five main information systems created by the NCL: Index to Taiwan Periodical Literature System, National Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations in Taiwan, Taiwan Citation Index – Humanities and Social Sciences, Taiwan Memory, and NCL Gazette Online. Civil servants were divided into two groups: general (open to all civil servants) and professional (limited to librarians).

The top three from each group received awards. The silver medal for the professional group was awarded to a staff member from the NCL. In her remarks, Director General Tseng stated that information literacy is an important ability for civil servants, as they need to be able to fluently and effectively use library resources to find information required by their jobs and to increase the quality and effectiveness of their work. She also hopes that the contestants can go back and teach the people around them how to make use of library and information tools to find resources, thus increasing even further the overall ability of civil servants in this regard.



Director General Tseng (3rd left, front row) with the prizewinners.

■ 2015 Taiwan Reading Festival

Two years ago the NCL began holding a Taiwan Reading Festival, which entails working with various schools, libraries, and educational institutions to put on many reading-promotion events. These are aimed to increase the amount of reading the public does.