

Ms. Mautner (left) with Director General Tseng.

Events

■ NCL Participates in the MOE Technological Innovation Service Plan for National Social Education Institutions

The MOE invited the director generals of ten national museums and national libraries to jointly launch the "Intelligent Service & Joyful Learning for Everyone: Technological Innovation Service Plan for National Social Education Institutions" with the goal of attaining zero distance to knowledge and unlimited service hours to create a new era in learning.

Through workshops, forums, seminars, questionnaires and other related ways and means, each participating institution will bring together experts in various fields to discuss with the general public their thinking and imagination of how future museums and libraries should look like. The fruits of the exchanges will be incorporated as reference in the details of the planning. Hopefully, with a wider public participation, the content of the project will answer the real needs and expectations of the general public.

Education Minister Wu pointed out that the goal of this Service Project is to assist museums and libraries to bring in intelligent technology using mobile devices and cloud technology to provide the general public with a new learning experience and with more intelligent services. The content of the project will include "Overall Service Model

Innovation" and "Enhancement of Core Service." Furthermore, this project will promote that sharing of resources between museums and libraries as well as horizontal linkages.



Group photo at the plan launch press conference.

■ Imagination - Creativity - Flipping: Future Library

Three Libraries: The NCL, the NTL and National Library of Public Information jointly organize a series of activities with the theme on "Imagination - Creativity - Flipping: Future Library." Through the interactivity between all ages and generations, the general public is enabled to voice out flipping operational planning ideas of libraries, outlining the imagination of future libraries to create library services more in line with the needs of society.

In view of this vision, staring March 2016, the three libraries held the "World Café" events, inviting children, young adults and high school students together to express their imagination in the north, central, and south regions of Taiwan. The participants has come to a consensus on the future of libraries through "World Café Conversations".

A total of 86 persons composing 9 groups from the central region participated in the first session. They are members of book clubs, reading associations, bookstores, teachers, senior citizens, foundations, businesses, county and city governments department of Cultural Affairs, public and university library directors, librarians and others.

During the discussion sessions, they shared twelve key services to future libraries. They enumerated: simplification procedures, adequate