



■ Director-General Tseng is Awarded the ETD Leadership Award

Director-General Tseng led the NCL staff in pushing forward with digital theses and dissertations, the result of which has gained the attention of the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD). Consequently, Director-General Tseng was awarded the Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETD) Leadership Award on June 11 at the 19th International Symposium on Electronic Theses and Dissertations in France. Her acceptance speech was delivered by a pre-recorded video address.



A pre-recorded video address is given by Director-General Tseng.

The NCL is the primary repository for theses and dissertations in Taiwan. Beginning in 2010, it began advocating for the open-access, sharing, and utilization of digital theses and dissertations. At the same time, it augmented its local and international promotional services.

Over the years, the NCL has proactively created new systems and promoted ETD through a variety of events. For example, starting in 2009, the NCL brought together the top universities in Taiwan to hold an Intercollegiate Outstanding Dissertations and Theses Authorization and Presentation Meeting.

In 2015, the NCL hosted the Exhibition of Unique Theses and Dissertations and invited

142 universities throughout the island to join in forming the National Consortium of Cloud Databases for Taiwan Dissertations and Theses; in 2016 it held a news conference on the most influential academic resources in Taiwan, with a strong push toward normalizing the concept of open access; lastly the NCL joined NDLTD in 2010 and in so doing successfully internationalized its database of theses and dissertations.

■ NCL Signs Memorandum of Understanding with UCLA on the Union Catalog of Chinese Rare Books Database

On Aug. 17, 2016, Director-General Tseng of the NCL, signed the Memorandum of Understanding with Virginia Steel, UCLA University Librarian, for the collaboration on the Union Catalog of Chinese Rare Books Database. The UCLA is the 71st participating organization in the union catalog project created by the NCL.

The UCLA Library has over 8 million books, of which 26,000 are Chinese books on archeology, Buddhism, local customs, and ancient and modern history housed in its East Asian Library.



Director-General Tseng (left) poses with Virginia Steel, University Librarian of the UCLA.