

six lectures, cohosted by the NCL and Lam Research from Aug. 27 to Oct. 29, highlight topics about travelogues from the Sui and Tang dynasties, as well as from the Ming and Qing, about foreigners' views of Taiwan, and about Taiwanese views of world travels.



*The opening lecture of the series.*

The format gives a comprehensive overview of cultural images in the classics. Four of the lectures have already transpired, namely “Between Mountain Forests and Officialdom: Tang Scholars’ Travel Descriptions” (Aug. 27), “The Imagination and Construction in Records of Late Ming Gardens” (Sep. 3), “The Travel Fad and Travel Descriptions by Ming and Qing Literati” (Sep. 10), and “The Material Culture of Overseas Travelogues in the Late Qing” (Sep. 24).



*Speakers of the Fall Lectures Series.*

## ■ EACS 21st Biennial Meeting

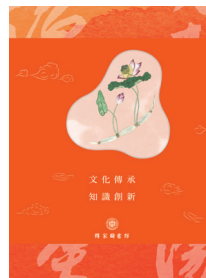
The European Association for Chinese Studies (EACS) holds a large-scale association meeting every two years. This year, their 21st biennial meeting took place in August at St. Petersburg State University in Russia. Nearly 600 sinologists from around the world were in attendance.

The NCL and the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) teamed up with the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange to put on a book exhibition at the meeting, showcasing new research and publications from Taiwan.

On display were 234 titles (253 volumes), representing the best of publications from the last three years. After the biennial meeting, a donation ceremony was held on Aug. 27 to present the books to the sponsoring institution, St. Petersburg State University. The university secretary Aleksey A. Zavarzin received the donation on behalf of the university.

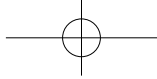
## NCL Publications

### ■ National Central Library: Cultural Heritage and Knowledge Innovation



*Published in Aug. 2016*  
*ISBN: 978-957-678-620-4*

The NCL has a new version of its Chinese-language guide this year, which discusses its aims, strategies, service facilities, and other new information.



## ■ A Catalog of Ancient Books Related to Mongolia



*Published in Aug. 2016*  
*ISBN: 978-957-678-625-9*

The NCL has selected 58 ancient works that deal with Mongolia to include in this catalog, adding introductions to each work in Chinese, English, and Cyrillic Mongolian. This will be a must-have resource for researchers of Mongolia from around the world.

## ■ Imprint of Civilization: The Amazing Journey of Books



*Published in Sep. 2016*  
*ISBN: 978-957-678-619-8*

Compiled in conjunction with NCL's 2016 exhibit of ancient books in Hungary's National Széchényi Library called Imprint of Civilization: The Amazing Journey of Books, this catalog introduces 91 of the Library's holdings that show developments in China's printing techniques. It contains content in Chinese, Hungarian, and English, making it a rich resource for research.

## LIS Seminars

### ■ Second Session of IO Talk Forum: Linked Data and Beyond

Organizer: Library Association of the Republic

of China (Taiwan) and National Central Library

Date: Sep. 30, 2016

Venue: National Central Library

### ■ Conference on the Analysis of Science Literature Researchability

Organizer: China Medical University Library

Date: Sep. 2, 2016

Venue: China Medical University

### ■ Taiwan Medical Library Association 2016 Annual Meeting and the 38th Medical Librarians' Annual Meeting

Organizer: Kan-Yen Medical Library, National Cheng Kung University Library

Date: Aug. 25-26, 2016

Venue: National Cheng Kung University

### ■ Library Watch Commons 8

Organizer: National Central Library

Date: Aug. 19, 2016

Venue: National Central Library

### ■ Conference on Creating Smart Libraries: Synthesizing Big Data Analysis and Raising Space Management Efficiency

Organizer: College of Medicine, National Taiwan University

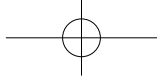
Date: Aug. 19, 2016

Venue: National Taiwan University Hospital

### ■ Seeing Libraries: Forum on All Aspects of Environment and Operations

Organizer: National Dong Hwa University Library and Information Center

Date: Aug. 18, 2016



Venue: National Dong Hwa University

### ■ 2016 Conference on the Innovative Promotion and Use of Interlibrary Cooperation by the Interlibrary Cooperation Association's Southern District Committee

Organizer: Interlibrary Cooperation Association's Southern District Committee

Date: Aug. 11, 2016

Venue: National Kaohsiung First University of Science and Technology

## NCL International Exchange Events

2016.07.13 Ten students in the 2016 Asia Education Leader Summer Course visited the NCL. The library staff introduced students to its digital education information services and activities. Students had many questions on borrowing e-books and their popularity, as well as current conditions of the interlibrary loan system.



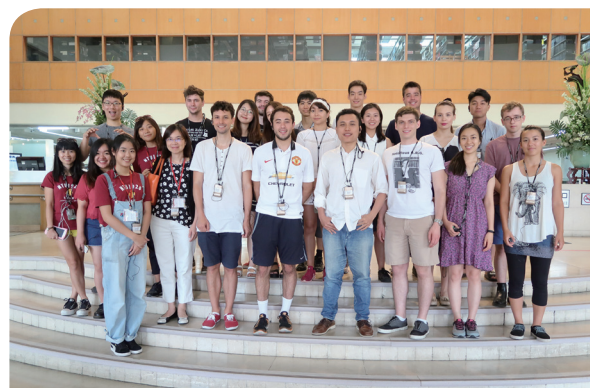
*Group photo of all the visitors.*

2016.07.14 The University of North Carolina's East Asian Librarian Liu Wenling visited the NCL and discussed library operations with staff in NCL's International Cooperative Division.

2016.07.19 Dr. Huang Xizhu from Indiana University and Ma Bihua from UC San Diego visited the NCL and discussed issues with staff from NCL's Collection Development and Bibliography Management Division.

2016.07.20 Father Mario Biffi came from the Vatican to search through research materials in the Matteo Ricci & Pacific Studies Reading Room.

2016.07.29 Students from 2016 "NTU Summer+ C2 Chinese-English Translation and Culture" paid a visit to the NCL. Twenty-four students from National Taiwan University's Office of International Affairs 2016 "NTU Summer+ C2 Chinese-English Translation and Culture" international summer course visited the NCL. Students were especially interested in the NCL's special collections, Chinese study materials, and research stipends provided by the CCS.



*Group photo taken at the main entrance of the library.*

2016.8.12 An exchange group of 42 professional librarians from Mainland China came to Taiwan for participating in the twelfth Cross-strait Book Fair, especially paid an arranged visit to the NCL. The visitors included librarians of Tsinghua University, Shandong University, Peking University, Beijing Normal University and those from provincial and