



From left: Prof. Valerie Junod, Prof. Zheng Yiwei, MOFA Deputy Director General of Policy Planning Liu Jing-Yen, Prof. Michael Reilly, and Prof. Zheng Canmo.

the University of Geneva. She spoke on “The Lessons to be Learnt from Taiwan’s Implementation of Its NHI Smart Card.” The second presenter was Prof. William Cheng from Troy University. He spoke on “Beijing’s New Economic Initiatives and Taipei’s Options through the Lens in Washington.” The third presenter was Senior Fellow Michael Reilly from the China Policy Institute at Nottingham University. He spoke on “Taiwan’s Pursuit of Free Trade Agreements: A Misplaced Priority?” The final presenter was Prof. Chanmo Chung from Inha University in Korea. He spoke on “Quo Vadis TPP? And How We Can Save It.”

On December 13, the CCS held the research presentations for MOFA Taiwan Fellowship scholars once again. Four scholars were invited to share their research findings. The first presenter was from Catholic University of Leuven, Paulo Duarte. He spoke on “China’s One Belt One Road: Quo Vadis.” The second presenter was Prof. Mikhail Karpov from the National Research University Higher School of Economics in Russia. He spoke on “When the Short Leash Starts to Choke: Freeing Capital in Taiwan (ROC) and China as Political Crisis Management.”

The third presenter was a Ph.D. candidate

from Melbourne University, Shiao Ching Wong. She spoke on “Applying Hybrid Media System Theory to Case Studies of Activism in Taiwan: Opportunities, Issues and Challenges.” The final presenter was a Ph.D. candidate from Sapienza University of Rome, Davide Vacatello. He spoke on “Imagined Communities across Virtual Borders? Echoes of the Baodiao Movement on the Internet in Taiwan.”

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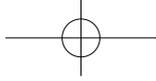
■ Visiting Foreign Scholars Are Invited to Attend the National Day Reception

The 2016 National Day reception was held on Oct. 10 at the Taipei Guesthouse. The NCL made special arrangements to have CCS’s recipients of the Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ recipients of the Taiwan Fellowship and their spouses to attend the festivities. This year a total of 47 foreign scholars and their family members from 29 different countries were in attendance. The group enjoyed music, as well as singing and dancing performances in the Baroque styled building and out in the courtyard.



Visiting scholars attending the National Day reception at the Taipei Guesthouse.

During the reception, the foreign scholars and other foreign dignitaries had an opportunity



to see President Ing-wen Tsai (蔡英文), Premier Chuan Lin (林全). They were all very excited about the opportunity, with some scholars taking pictures or shaking hands and talking with these government officials.

■ Cultural Tour for Visiting Foreign Scholars: A Trip to Miaoli's Hua Pottery Kiln

To deepen visiting foreign scholars' understanding of local conditions and social customs in Taiwan, NCL arranged for recipients of the Research Grant for Foreign Scholars in Chinese Studies to travel to Miaoli on November 11th, 2016 to visit the Hua Pottery Kiln.



Experiencing ceramic making at the Hua Pottery Kiln.

After arriving at the destination, the ceramics master taught everyone how to mold clay with one's hands. During lunch, they ate "cut the rice meal," a traditional food eaten during harvest season in earlier times by farmers.

After lunch, a guide explained the local animals and plants and their habits during the four seasons, firing pottery in a wood-fueled kiln, and the artistic meaning behind the design of the kiln's landscaping and courtyard.

Library and Information Science Seminars in Taiwan

■ Forum on Operations and Issues of Interlibrary Loan in the Age of a Declining Birthrate

Organizer: Interlibrary Cooperation Association

Date: Dec. 30, 2016

Venue: Tamkang University Chueh Sheng Memorial Library

■ CONCERT 2016 E-resources and Academic Consortium International Conference

Organizer: Science & Technology Policy Research and Information Center, Consortium on Core Electronic Resources in Taiwan (CONCERT)

Date: Dec. 30, 2016

Venue: National Central Library

■ Capriciousness: Library Innovation and Improvement Conference

Organizer: Feng Chia University Library

Date: Dec. 21, 2016

Venue: Feng Chia University Library

■ 2016 Library Affairs Management and Operations Development Conference: Environmental Management and Smart Libraries

Organizer: TransWorld University Library and Information Office

Date: Dec. 9, 2016

Venue: National Yunlin University of Science and Technology Library