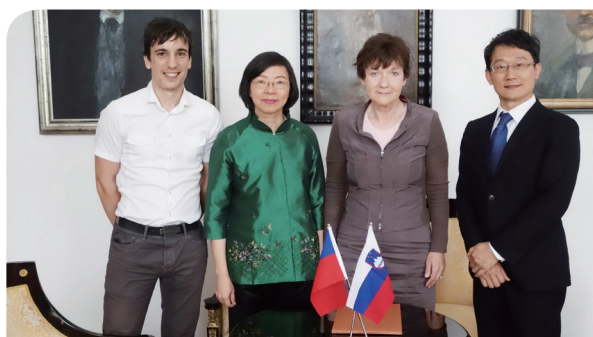


National and University Library (NUL) signed a general agreement. In future the two institutions will exchange specialist personnel, books and periodicals, library knowledge and experience, and also work together on digitization technology.

In her speech, Director-General Tseng spoke of Slovenia's reputation as Europe's 'green jewel.' Although it is one of Europe's smaller nations, she said, it has unlimited potential for development. Director-General Tseng remarked that Slovenia bears certain similarities with Taiwan, which, as a small island nation, also tries to develop its culture and hopefully break new cultural ground. With an eye on Slovenia's economic development, nurturing of culture, and fruitful research, the NCL specially signed an agreement with Slovenia's National and University Library, in the hope of further expanding the scope of academic and cultural exchanges between the two countries.



*NCL Director-General Tseng and NUL Director-General Martina Rozman Salobir sign a comprehensive agreement.*



*(Left to right): NUL International Officer Žiga Cervenik, NCL Director-General Tseng, NUL Director-General Martina Rozman Salobir and NCL Dr. Leo Lin.*

## ■ The NCL Donates Books to Adam Mickiewicz University

NCL Director-General Tseng presented Poland's Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań with a collection of eighty-four volumes on May 22, including specially-selected Chinese language teaching, linguistics and literature publications published in Taiwan. The cooperation of the book donation was facilitated by the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Poland. The handover ceremony was hosted by the university's Vice-Rector for Research and International Cooperation, Prof. Ryszard Naskręcki.

Vice-Rector Naskręcki thanked the NCL for enriching the university library's collection, and for providing its Faculty of Modern Languages and Literatures. He remarked that the collection enriches the university's Chinese language teaching and study materials, and increases the variety of its reading materials available to staff and students.



*Vice-Rector Ryszard Naskręcki (right) accepts the donation of books from NCL Director-General Tseng.*

Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań's library is one of Poland's legal deposits. Its bibliographic resources are accessible to the public, and extremely well-used. Its electronic services are highly developed: 90% of book borrowing takes place

online, and over 90% of reader queries are dealt with by email. In recent years, the university library has frequently hosted cultural events. Director-General Tseng took this rare opportunity to visit the library's service facilities, exchange her experience in running a library, and plans for possible future cooperation between the two libraries.



Director-General Tseng (front row, 3rd left) poses with a group of university leaders attending the book donation ceremony, led by Vice-Rector Ryszard Naskręckii (front row, 3rd right).

## Events

### ■ “Love Together: Love Reading Flash Mob Performances,” Part of a Series of Events to Mark 2017 World Book and Copyright Day

To celebrate 2017 World Book and Copyright Day, on April 23, the NCL organized a relay of three “Love Reading Flash Mob” performances, which took place in the cities of Taipei, Hsinchu (新竹), and Tainan (台南). The flash mobs sang songs adapted from poetry.

The first performance was in the main hall of Taipei Railway Station. After the performance, NCL Director-General Tseng presented Ms. Tantri Sikhina, who was founder of the Migrant Worker Library and has long been providing Indonesian migrant workers with reading books in Indonesian at Taipei Railway Station. The relay then continued as the second flash mob performance kicked off at

Hsinchu High-Speed Railway Station. Passengers passing through the station were surprised and delighted by the singing. For the third performance, members of the NCL flash mob were joined by a team organized by the Tainan Public Library.



NCL Director-General Tseng (right) presents Ms. Tantri Sikhina with books.



The NCL flash mob was joined by a group from the Tainan Public Library to sing at the final performance in the relay.

### ■ Special Lecture “Prague Springs Are Not the Same” Gets Warm Welcome

Following the “Prague: Mother of Cities” exhibition, the NCL and the Czech Economic and Cultural Office in Taipei teamed up again to cohost a special lecture on “Prague Springs Are Not the Same” at the NCL on April 11. Mr. Song-ming Kao (高嵩明), the only Taiwanese to be awarded the Gratias Agit award by the Czech Republic, was invited to speak.