Information Organization Workshop on three Fridays from August 17-31, 2018, at NCL. The aim was to assist different fields in promoting information organization and to improve the quality and functionality of book services through this professional training event.

This workshop was attended by 47 professionals from libraries and information service organizations. Content included four core courses on information organization, namely "Introduction to Information Organization," "Application of Cataloging Resources," "Descriptive Cataloging," and "Topic Analysis." Instructors balanced theory and practical application in guiding attendees to master common tasks at archival institutions involving resource categorization and cataloging. Attendees were able to learn solid basic skills in information organization.



Deputy Director-General Ying-mei Wu (center, front row) and workshop participants.

The NCL and Trend Education Foundation Co-Host a Lecture Series: "How Did Dong-po Su Calm the Storm?"

To increase public awareness of Dong-po Su's works and philosophy of living, the National Central Library (NCL) and Trend Education Foundation cosponsored a special series of three lectures entitled "How Did Dong-po Su Calm the Storm?" The hosts invited Li-feng Chi, Chin-yu Hsieh, Chao Yang, and An-chi Wang to explore from literary, historical, and theatrical viewpoints how, despite experiencing ups and downs during his official career, Dong-po Su was able to find solace in his creative work.

The first lecture took place on July 7, 2018. Prof. Li-feng Chi and writer Chin-yu Hsieh spoke on the theme "Dong-po's Life of Optimism." On July 14, 2018, Hyper-convergence Foundation chairman Zhao Yang delivered the second lecture of the series, "Dong-po Su: At the Intersection of Politics and Literature." Prof. An-chi Wang of National Taiwan University's Department of Drama and Theater gave the third and final lecture in the series, which took place on July 21, 2018. The lecture was entitled "Unaffected by Wind, Rain or Shine: GuoGuang and Trend's Joint Production of Dong-po Su's 'Calming the Storm'." The lecture gave the audience an opportunity to get to know the GuoGuang Opera Company, while recreating Dongpo Su's life and poetry through traditional opera.



Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng (3rd right) poses with Prof. An-chi Wang (4th left) and CEO Yi-chen Chen (5th right) of Trend Education Foundation.

The NCL Attends 2018 IFLA Poster Session

IFLA's annual big event, the World Library and Information Congress (WLIC), was held on August 24-30, 2018 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. There were over 250 separate events, with more than 500 presenters and 3,516 library professionals from 113 countries in attendance.

This year's annual meeting was themed "Transform Libraries, Transform Societies." The National Central Library (NCL) submitted a poster and was accepted. The poster displayed the Taiwan Memory database and showcased the transformation of digital services over a decade. Not only was the evolution of the database documented, but also the NCL's abundant holdings and resources were on display. The poster was competing with another 121 posters from 38 countries for the best poster award. The NCL's Assistant Editors Li-ling Chen and Chao-min Chiu attended the meeting and presented the poster. Through explaining the content of the poster, staff members were able to interact with fellow library professionals from across the globe, achieving great success in international marketing efforts.



The NCL's poster attracts the attention of library professionals.

The NCL Attends the 22nd European Association for Chinese Studies Conference

The European Association for Chinese Studies (EACS) has provided a grand event of discussion

and exchange for the international Chinese studies community. From August 29 to September 1, 2018, the University of Glasgow in Scotland hosted the EACS conference, which is held biennially. The theme of the conference was "China and the World: The Mapping of Exchange." National Central Library (NCL)'s Head Kun-hsien Tseng and Dr. Jane Liau attended the conference.

The NCL and the Center for Chinese Studies invited the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation to hold an exhibition during the conference. On display were books, periodicals, and audio-visual materials on Chinese studies published in Taiwan in the last three years, totaling 312 titles (327 volumes). After the conference ended, the sets of the books on display were donated to the University of Glasgow and the University of Edinburgh. On August 30, NCL's Head Tseng held a donation ceremony. The donations were received by Professor Clare Willsdon on behalf of University of Glasgow and Dr. Shen-xiao Tong on behalf of the University of Edinburgh respectively.



From left: Dr. Liau, Dr. Tong, Prof. Willsdon, and Head Tseng take group photo after donation ceremony.