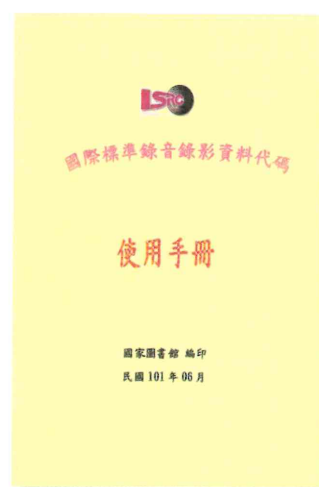


information services; the international cooperation and communications; and the research center for global Chinese studies. The English brochure introduces, in detail and fully, the NCL's history development, its duties, functions, rich resources for academic research, the planning for library development, the outcomes of promoting reading activities, the creation of knowledge services, the practice of international cooperation, and the great achievement of the 30th anniversary of the Center for Chinese Studies.

■ ***The Handbook of International Standard Recording Code***



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The International Standard Recording Code is a standard that has been commonly used internationally with the purpose of distinguishing audio recording and musical video recording materials. ISRC also assists in exchanging, disseminating, and managing the audio product information. In addition, this handbook introduces the sources of ISRC, its structures, available ranges, methods of indication, application items, and functions. Moreover, the handbook also presents in detail the usage methods and the function of ISRC inquiring system, illustrates the various function

of ISRC system to help readers understand more about ISRC. The handbook was also published in electric form and is available to the public at <http://ebook.ncl.edu.tw/webpac/>

LIS Seminars

■ ***The Cross-Strait Library Science Conference***

Organizers: Chinese Association of Library and Information Science Education, Tamkang University Department of Information and Library Science, Wuhan University-School of Information Management
Date: July 4-5, 2012
Venue: Tamkang University

■ ***New Era, New Thinking: Conference on the Media Application of Library Service Promotion***

Organizer: Taiwan Normal University Library
Date: June 15, 2012
Venue: Conference Hall, National Taiwan Normal University Library

■ ***Library Discovery and Delivery Service Seminar***

Organizer: National Chiao Tung University Library
Date: June 14, 2012
Venue: Hao-Ran International Conference Hall, National Chiao Tung University Library

■ ***2012 National Intercollegiate Library's Director-General Meeting***

Organizer: National Penghu University
Date: May 17-18, 2012
Venue: National Penghu University of Science and Technology Library

■ ***2012 Joint Conference on education, sport, library, and technology***

Organizers: College of Education, Department of Physical Education, Department of Library and

Information Science, Department of Library and Information Science, The Graduate School of Educational Leadership & Development, Fu Jen Catholic University Library.

Date: May 4-5, 2012

Venue: Fahy Memorial Library, Fu Jen Catholic University Library

■ ***The Shape of the 21st Century Library: Smart Library***

Organizer: Elsevier Taiwan L.L.C., National Cheng Kung University Library

Date: May 4, 2012

Venue: Library Conference Center, National Cheng Kung University Library

■ ***2012 CILA Annual Conference and Joint IFLA Workshop on Information Literacy***

Organizer: Chinese Information Literacy Association

Co-organizers: Graduate Institute of Library & Information Studies, National Taiwan Normal University, Feng Chia University Library

Date: May 3-4, 2012

Venue: National Central library

News from Taiwan Libraries

■ ***"CUTE Library officially opens HyLib automation system"***

China University of Technology Library officially debuted its new library automation system recently (at: <http://hylib.lib.cute.edu.tw/webpac/webpacIndex.jsp>). The Web 2.0 service integrates with social networking sites to promote sharing and exchanges within reading communities. It also provides charts of the most-borrowed books, popular reservations, popular keywords and other information. The system allows the library and readers to follow reading trends. Eleven colleges and universities and six research institutes currently

use the system. The system is also used as the book information sharing service platform by the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence in Northern Region (at Taipei University of Technology), providing collection retrieval/inquiry and interlibrary lending services for the teachers and students at 34 vocational schools in northern Taiwan.

■ ***"NTL promotes exchange through digital design platform"***

In order to create a national-level digital public library, National Taichung Library (NTL) inaugurated in June this year and recently further opened to the public the "Digital Leisure Center," "Digital Art Center" and "Digital Experience Center." The "Digital Leisure Center" presents the works of fifteen Taiwan local animation companies, highlighting Taiwan's original spirit. The "Digital Art Center" brings together outstanding digital creative works created by university students in Taiwan through the platform of Digital Art Gallery. It also features a digital audio and video collection database.



The Digital Leisure Center (photo provided by the NTL)

The "Digital Experience Center" features physical and virtual interactive presentations and activities. It combines large touch screens with dynamic motion detection, QR Code, and other digital display technology for patron to explore the

services of 520 public libraries in Taiwan. There is also a diverse way to display the development of Chinese characters, the change of the media of Chinese books over five thousand years and the future of cloud public libraries.



The Digital Experience Center (photo provided by the NTL)

■ ***“Experts come together to create intelligent libraries”***

Library management experts gathered at National Cheng Kung University (NCKU) to discuss challenges in creating intelligent libraries

of challenge. A total of 120 people participated, including Texas Tech University Library librarian Carrye K. Syma, research information service managers from Ireland Trinity College and University of Dublin, the head librarian of National Taiwan Normal University Library, and other domestic and foreign of library management experts.

The participants shared experience on new generation library operations and value, among other issues. NCKU Vice President Yan Hong-sen compared a library to a heart in terms of its importance to higher education. Creating intelligent libraries is a direction worth the effort. Ms. Syma said that Texas Tech University’s major important contribution lies in taking librarians out of the library and close to students and working with them to find information. Moreover, the university offers an online Smartphone edition that makes it easy to search for information from a mobile phone. Librarians also proactively assist teachers and students in using electronic tools to expedite searches and compilation of information.



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