



*Director-General Dangelo Nèard during his speech.*

## ■ National Central Library Receives Books Published by Yuan-Liou Publishing Co.; Collaboration Planned to Digitize Historical Publishing Materials

To help promote the Taiwan Publishing Museum at the Southern Branch of the National Central Library & National Repository Library, on December 18, 2023 the National Central Library and Yuan-Liou Publishing Co. met at NCL's international meeting room for The Archival and Digitization of Historical Materials on Publishing Collaboration Agreement Signing and Book Donation Ceremony. National Central Library Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng and Yuan-Liou Publishing Co. CEO Jung-Wen Wang signed the agreement. Wang also donated 8,000 books that his company has published to the National Central Library for archiving.



*Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng and CEO Jung-Wen Wang exchanging signed copies of the agreement.*

Deputy Minister of Education Lin Ming-yu shared some remarks and presented a shield-shaped appreciation plaque. Examiner J.T. Huang from the Examination Yuan, Academician Ovid Tzeng from Academia Sinica, Former Minister of the Council for Cultural Affairs Kun-liang Chiu, Vice Minister of Culture Ting-chen Yang, and important persons

from the publishing industry in Taiwan were all in attendance. Authors Chun-ming Huang and Yuchun Hung shared moving stories and did book readings. This collaboration is an important model for bringing together libraries and publishers. The book donation will not only benefit the National Central Library in preserving historical materials on Taiwan's publishing industry but also help provide patrons with scholarly research materials and reading materials on the industry.



*A group photo of the dignitaries thumbing through books published by Yuan-Liou.*

## Events

### ■ The Quintessence of Song History: NCL Acquires the Collection of Internationally Renowned Scholar on Song History Prof. Kuan-chung Huang

During the warm winter in Taiwan, NCL held the Prof. Kuan-chung Huang Book Donation Ceremony on November 30, 2023. Prof. Huang is an internationally acclaimed scholar of Song history. He has previously served as the head of the Institute of History and Philology at Academia Sinica, Director-General of the National Central Library, Vice President of National Chung Hsing University, and lecturer in the Department of Medical Humanities and Social Sciences at Chang Gung University. Prof. Huang began researching Song history during his university years. For the last 50 years, he has addressed such topics as politics, military affairs, social issues and culture. If all the books he wrote were stacked up, they would be the same height as he is. He is venerated by the scholarly community. After his retirement, he became a lecturer at Chang Gung University, expanding humanities education and courses to those studying to become doctors for ten years. He is a historian with deep practical ability and cross-disciplinary vision.