



A group photo after the signing ceremony

NCL will continue to work hand in hand with universities and cultural institutions to advance the digital preservation and application of valuable documents, allowing Taiwan's cultural heritage to shine anew in the digital age.

■ 2025 NBINet Meeting of Directors of Partner Organizations Draws to a Successful Conclusion

The 2025 National Bibliographic Information Network "Partner Curator Conference" was held on the afternoon of October 30th in the International Conference Hall of the National Central Library. In his opening remarks, Han-Ching Wang, Director-General of the National Central Library, expressed his gratitude to the directors and representatives of partner libraries from all over the country for their participation. He then introduced the three new partner libraries that joined the network in 2025: the Office of Library and Information Services of National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, the library of the Cultural Affairs Bureau of Hsinchu City, and the library of the National Museum of Taiwan History. This brings the total number of partner libraries to 124. With the joint efforts of various libraries over the years, the catalogue records have exceeded 16 million entries.

The meeting saw enthusiastic involvement from the directors of all participating libraries. Four agenda proposals were discussed, all of which were successfully passed. These proposals included: revising the key points of collaborative cataloging, refining the presentation of bibliographic data after the system redesign, establishing an "NBINet System Construction Consulting Working Group," and formulating NBINet cataloging principles.

As the National Central Library is currently constructing its Southern Branch and Joint Collection Center in Xinying, Tainan, the attendees showed great

interest, and Director-General Wang was specially invited to give a briefing, introducing the overall planning and features of the Southern Branch, such as the library space design and the first digital object preservation mechanism in Taiwan. He also shared the National Central Library's recent innovative achievements in the field of information organization, including the intelligent subject cataloging standard query and analysis recommendation system, the revision of the Chinese Book Classification System, the ISBN and ISRC system integration platform, and the redesign and construction of the NBINet Union Catalog System.

Four awards were presented: the "Golden Volume Award" was given to libraries that uploaded the most bibliographic data in 2024, ranking in the top ten of all types of libraries, with a total of 13 libraries; the "Golden Heart Award" was awarded to libraries

that uploaded data every month in 2024; of which there were a total of 37; the "Golden Prestige Award" was awarded to libraries that provided authoritative records of Chinese titles in 2024, of which there were a total of five; and the "Golden Creation Award" was awarded to libraries that adopted the RDA standard for Chinese book cataloging, of which there were a total of 17.

In addition, another key focus of the meeting was the re-election of the decision-making committee. With the assistance of the vote counters, the voting and counting process was successfully completed, and the 12th decision-making committee was elected, including two members each from public and specialized libraries, and eight members from university and college libraries. The committee members will serve their terms from 2026 to 2027. The meeting concluded perfectly amidst applause for the newly available election results.



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