

The 27th Annual Conference of the European Association for Sinological Librarians was attended by more than 40 directors of European libraries. During the conference, Dr. Ku introduced the "National Digital Archives in Taiwan and Digital Content Services of the National Central Library," and Transmission Books & Microinfo Co., Inc. President Luo Chih-cheng gave a presentation on Taiwan-related database products.



Mr. Cho Ming-fong, director of the Cultural Division of the Taipei Representative Office in the EU and Belgium (far left) and Ms. Roberta Persichelli Scola, head of the Central Library of the European Commission (center) pictured at the EC Central Library (Photo provided by Katie Su, Peng Wei)

Between September 15 and 22, Director Yu, Dr. Su and Director Peng visited the National Central Library of Rome; the National Library, National Archives and the Main Library and Sinological Institute & Documentation Centre for Modern China at Leiden University in the Netherlands; and the European Commission's Central Library and the Main Library, Eastern Library, and Technology Library at the University of Leuven in Belgium. The visitors learned about the collections and services of the host

libraries and discussed cooperation in the areas of digital collections, online collections, union catalogs for rare books, and publication exchanges. (Chinese text by Katie Su)



NCL representatives exchange views with librarians of the National Library of the Netherlands. (Photo provided by Katie Su)

NCL Attends UNESCO "World Digital Library" Exhibition

Dr. Katie Su, director of the International Publication Exchange Department represented the NCL at the "World Digital Library" exhibition held in Paris on October 17, 2007, with support from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The "World Digital Library" was initiated by U.S. Librarian of Congress James H. Billington. At present the National Library of Russia, Russian State Library, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt), National Library and Archives of Egypt, National Library of Brazil, International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA), and UNESCO. The National Library of Korea and the NCL are also in talks to become members.

The World Digital Library will provide free access to selected materials provided by participating libraries and organizations, with an emphasis on content the "best embodies the culture of country" of the contributing organization. (Chinese text by Katie Su)

Events

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The 27th Annual Conference of the European Association for Sinological Librarians (EASL) was held by the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies at Lund University in Sweden on September 12~14, 2007. Dr. Ku Li-jen, director of the Bibliographic Information Center and ISBN Center, represented the NCL at the conference.

The conference was joined by about 50 representatives of Chinese studies libraries across Europe, including the British Library, higher education and Eastern studies institutes in France, the University of London, University of Edinburgh, Oxford University, and Chinese studies institutes in Germany, Denmark, the Netherlands, Czech, Sweden, Switzerland, Russia and Belgium. Director Ku presented a report on the "National Digital Archives in Taiwan and Digital Content Services of the NCL."

After the conference, Dr. Ku visited the Danish Royal Library and Malmo Public Library to learn more about the library's facilities and special reader services. (Chinese text by Ku Li-jen)



Director Ku Li-jen of the NCL (left), Transmission Books and Microinfo Co., Ltd. President Luo Chih-cheng (right) and Mr. Bent Lerbak Pedersen (center), head of the Far East Collection at the Danish Royal Library's Oriental Collection (Photo provided by Ku Li-jen)

NCL Attends "Chinese-English Literary Translation Index Workshop"

Director Chuang Chien-kuo of the NCL's Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) attended the "Chinese-English Literary Translation Index Workshop" in Hong Kong on September 20 to 23, 2007. Under the index cooperation plan, the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) will be in charge of planning, the Beijing Foreign Languages Press will be in charge of publishing, and the CCS will coordinate work with National Taiwan University and Taipei Chinese Center of International PEN.

Representative agencies in each of the participating areas will be in charge of collecting resources and establishing the scope of indexed materials, including printed works, electronic materials, and catalog cards. The Taipei center will be in charge of early Chin and Taiwan literature; the Hong Kong center will be responsible for 20th and