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The trade fair is held annually to promote cross-strait publication exchange and cooperation, providing Taiwanese publishers an inroad to the Chinese market. Twelve activities were held in conjunction with the fair, including cross-strait publishing forums and symposiums, cross-strait audio and video industry meetings, and book signings by well-known authors on the two sides, and cross-strait publishing cooperation projects.



Taiwan library delegation at the 3rd Cross-strait Trade Exchange Fair (Photo provided by Chien Yao-tung)

In conjunction with the fair, the 4th Annual Conference on Document Resource Establishment by National College and University Libraries was held in Xiamen, China, on October 26~27, 2007. The conference was jointly sponsored by the College and University Library Subsociety of the Library Society of China and the Document Resource Establishment Division of the National College and University Library Work Committee. More than 70 representatives of libraries from the two sides of the Taiwan Strait attended the conference, including

representatives attending the 3rd Cross-strait Library Trade Fair. The focal subject of the conference was library establishment of document resources for research, exchange and study purposes in order to promote inter-library cooperation and joint development. Discussion topics included the practical experience of college and university libraries in selecting documents, and cases studies of library collection development policies, cooperation and coordinated research on library document resource establishment, cooperation on acquisition of foreign language books, and the relationship of e-books, e-journals and paper documents. (Chinese text by Chien Yao-tung)



Participants at the 4th Annual Conference on Document Resource Establishment by National College and University Libraries (Photo provided by Chien Yao-tung)

NCL Attends Symposium on Sino-American Cultural Exchange and Library Development

The International Symposium on Sino-American Cultural Exchange and Library Development was held

at Nanjing University's School of Humanities and Social Sciences on October 31 to November 4, 2007. The symposium was held in gratitude of a book donation to the Nanjing University Library by Dr. Tsuen-Hsui Tsien, professor emeritus of Chinese studies and curator emeritus of the East Asian Library at the University of Chicago.

The symposium was joined by 12 attendees from the U.S., four from Taiwan and 32 from China, and 24 papers were delivered. The Taiwan delegation included three faculty members of Tamkang University-Prof. Lu Hsiu-chu of the Department of Information and Library Science, Prof. Chang Pao-san of the Department of Chinese, and Prof. Chiu Chiong-you of the Information Management Department, as well as Mr. Tseng Kun-hsien of the NCL's ISBN Center. All four presented papers at the symposium.

In his presentation, Mr. Tseng provided an overview of book publishing in Taiwan and new book

information services available through the ISBN Center, illustrated by case studies of ISBNnet News and New Books: Recent and Forthcoming Publications in Taiwan, ROC. The paper drew on information provided by publishers (including general publishers, government agencies, academic/research institutes, and individuals) when applying for ISBN/CIP numbers. (Chinese text by Tseng Kun-hsien)

Bibliophile Market: One-day Public Library Tour

On November 4, 2007, the National Taichung Library held a "Bibliophile Market: One-day Public Library Tour" activity at the South Square in front of the Presidential Office Building. Libraries, reading associations and publishers from across Taiwan set up stalls during the fair along with Hualien- and Kaohsiung-based book mobiles to serve up a rich literary feast.



Participants in the International Symposium on Sino-American Cultural Exchange and Library Development (Photo provided by Tseng Kun-hsien)