

documents. It therefore hopes to send staff to Taiwan for short-term in-service training. On the morning of November 10, Mr. Peng visited the Social Sciences Library of the Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences to discuss with the library staff assistance on arranging the library's precious catalogs of Chinese, Vietnamese and French rare books and modern books and documents catalog. On the afternoon of the same day, he visited the SK Telecom Library of the Library and Information Center for discussions with library Director General Dr. Nguyen Huy Chuong on the feasibility of developing book exchanges and cooperative publishing projects. (Chinese text by Peng Wei)



Director Peng Wei of the Special Collections Division (center) and Dr. Nguyen Huy Chuong (left), director general of the Library and Information Center at Vietnam National University. (Photo provided by Peng Wei)

■ LAC Annual Conference

The Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) (LAC) held its 2007 annual conference on December 15, 2007, at the National Central Library (NCL) Conference Hall. In addition to electing the association's new president, the meeting activities included a Symposium on the Social Concerns of Libraries, 2007 Information System Exhibition, 2007 Thesis Presentation by



ROC Vice President Annette Lu delivers a speech at the annual meeting

Library and Information Study Scholarship Winners, and 2007 Conference Poster Exhibition.

Several awards were also presented during the conference to encourage librarian excellence. Dr. Jhuang Fang-rung received an award in recognition of his special contribution to the promotion of library development and transformation in Taiwan during his tenure as NCL director-general. Scholarships were also awarded to outstanding students in the library and information science field.

ROC Vice President Annette Lu was invited to speak at the annual meeting; and NCL Director-general Dr. Huang Kuan-Chung delivered a speech on "Library Development and Talent Training—An Outsider's Perspective."



NCL Director-general Dr. Huang Kuan-Chung (right) delivers a speech at the annual meeting, presided by Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) President Huang Hong-chu (left).