■ TELDAP Achievement Exhibition

An exhibition showcasing the progress of the Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives Program (TELDAP) was held at the Technology Building in Taipei on February 9 to 28, 2009. The exhibition theme was "Limitless Archives, Online Learning and Digital Life."

Supported by the National Science Council, TELDAP is the first national program in Taiwan joining the humanities and information technology. It was established on January 1, 2008, to integrate the National Digital Archives Program and E-Learning National Technology Program. With an ultimate mission of "Archiving the Diversity of Taiwan and Deepening E-Learning," the program brings together experts and scholars in the fields of the humanities, nature, technology and industry to create a joint platform for digital content and information and provide a new channel for knowledge acquisition.

The special exhibition was divided into a "Program Area" and "Theme Area." The former focused on digital content, with a secondary emphasis on education and learning. The exhibits drew on technology R&D and display platforms to achieve the objective of value-added applications and international cooperation. At the "Theme Area," exhibits highlighted "industrial added-value," "education and learning," and "academic research." A total of 24 program subjects were presented, providing visitors with a comprehensive and indepth introduction to the value-added applications produced by the program.

In conjunction with the exhibition, the "2009 International Symposium on Digital Archives and E-Learning" was held at Academia Sinica on February 23 to 27. The symposium provided an excellent platform for experts and scholars from Taiwan and abroad to exchange views on various closely watched topics related to digital archives and elearning.

NCL International Exchange Events

Oct. 7: Ms. Leu Yann-sheu, acquisition specialist/ senior cataloger at the Asian and Middle Eastern Division, China Section of the US Library of Congress visits the NCL.

Oct. 8: Prof. Xiangming Mu of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee visits the NCL.

Oct. 15: A group of 28 members of the Archival Society of China and China Document Image Technical Association visits the NCL.

Oct. 28: Ms. Kuang-tien Yao, China Specialist Librarian at the Hamilton Library, University of Hawaii, and Ms. Chen Tongli, head of the Asian Library at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Asian Library visit the NCL to invite Director-general Karl Min Ku to attend the Association for Asian Studies 2009 Annual Meeting and present a lecture at the Committee on Chinese Materials under the Council on East Asian Libraries.



Ms. Kuang-tien Yao (left), Ms. Chen Tongli (second from right) (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Nov. 4: Mr. Luvsangiin Erdenechuluun, representative of Mongolia on the Executive Council of UNESCO visits the library to search material on Mongolia.



Mr. Luvsangiin Erdenechuluun (third from left) with NCL staff (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Nov. 5: Ms. Victoria Chu and Ms.Bie-Hwa Chen Ma of the University of California, San Diego Libraries visit the NCL for exchanges.

Nov. 12: Ms. Sue Small of the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London visits the NCL and presents a lecture on the Chinese and Taiwan collection at the SOAS Library.

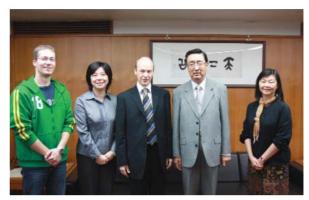


Ms. Sue Small (second from right) with NCL Director General Karl Min Ku (second from left) (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Nov. 12: An eight-member delegation led by Mr. Yang Shengqun, standing deputy director of the Party Literature Research Centre of the CPC Central Committee, visits the NCL.

Nov. 17: Dr. Thomas Staecker, head of the Department for Rare Books and Digitization at the Herzog August Bibliothek in Germany, presents a

lecture on the topic of "Preserving the Past— Towards the Digitization of the German Cultural Heritage" and tours the NCL afterwards.



Dr. Thomas Staecker (center) with NCL Director General Karl Min Ku (second from right)(Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Nov. 25: Scholar Erentsen Luvsanbaldan of the College of the School of Foreign Languages and Cultures at the National University of Mongolia leads a five-person delegation to visit the NCL.

Dec. 8: Ms. Lizabeth (Betsy) Wilson, dean of University Libraries at the University of Washington in the US and Mr. Zhijia Shen, Chinese Studies Librarian at the UW meet with NCL Director-general Karl Min Ku and tour the library.



Ms. Lizabeth (Betsy) Wilson (left) with NCL Director General Karl Min Ku (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Dec. 10: Dr. Raya Fidel of the School of Library and Information Science at the University of Washington in Seattle visits the NCL accompanied by Assistant Professor Muh-Chyun Tang of the Department and Graduate Institute of Library and Information Science at National Taiwan University.

Dec. 12: Dr. Frank Kraushaar, director of the Research Institute of Asian Studies at the University of Latvia meets with NCL Directorgeneral Karl Min Ku to discuss the feasibility of establishing an Asian studies department at the National Library of Latvia and to learn from the NCL's experience in automated book management.



Dr. Frank Kraushaar (second from right) with NCL Director General Karl Min Ku (second from left)(Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Dec. 13: Prof. Shen Guchao of the Department of Information Management, Nanjing University; Dr. Xiao Ximing, dean of the School of Information Management at Wuhan University; Dr. Ke Ping, head of the Department of Library Science at Nankai University; and Dr. Cao Shujin of the Department of Information Management at Sun Yat-sen University in Guangzhou visit the NCL.

Dec. 15: Renowned audio-visual collection expert Dr. Dietrich Schueller visits the NCL accompanied by Prof. Huang Chun-jen of the Department of Music at National Taiwan Normal University and four others.

Dec. 26: Ms. Su Meng-fen, head librarian of the East Asian Library Program at the University of Texas at Austin visits the NCL and meets with Director-general Karl Min Ku.

Chinese Studies Symposium

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CCS Seminars

Visiting scholars were invited to present papers at three seminars held by the Center for Chinese Studies (CCS) on December 15 and 22, 2008.

December 15, 2008

In this seminar, Associate Professor Ma-li Svensson from Hedmark University in Norway spoke on the subject of "Traversing a Thousand Li and Ten Thousand Books: A Look at Wang Zhen-yi and Her Writings on Astrological Studies." The lecture was chaired by Professor Fu Ta-wei of the Institute of History at National Tsing Hua University. Professor Svensson, who earned a Ph.D. in mathematics, currently researches the history of math, science, and Confucian education in mathematics in China. Her lecture discussed Wang Zhen-yi's (1769-1798) achievements in mathematics and astronomy, as is reflected in the compilation of her writings entitled *Defengting chuji*.



Prof. Ma-li Svensson (left) (Photo by Caesar Tsai)

December 22, 2008

Associate Professor Martin Svensson Ekström from the Department of Chinese Studies at Stockholm University in Sweden lectured on "The