selected works, photos and other related cultural items from the Mongolian collection.



Director-general Karl Min Ku (right) and DDBC President Shi Huimin (left) jointly sign the academic cooperation agreement. (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)



DDBC Vice President Aming Tu (fourth from the left), DDBC President Shi Huimin (fifth from the left), Director-general Karl Min Ku (sixth from the left), and other participants at the ceremony. (Photo by Pinery S. Wu)

Events

■ NCL Joins Dalian Symposium on Colonialism in Taiwan

The Symposium on the History of the Colonialism in Taiwan was held in Dalian, China on August 20 to August 23. The symposium was sponsored by the Institute of Taiwan Studies at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in association with the international relations institute of the Dalian University of Foreign Languages and the research

department of the All China Taiwanese Association. The symposium was held to further promote and coordinate the establishment of the field of Taiwanese historical studies in Taiwan, China and other countries through research and academic exchanges. The symposium also analyzed trends on the historical studies of colonialism in Taiwan from historical perspectives and in context of the historical development of Taiwan.

The symposium was joined by 77 participants, including 38 scholars from China, 26 scholars from Taiwan, and 13 experts and scholars from Japan. Among the 60 papers submitted were studies on Taiwanese politics, economy, military affairs, diplomacy, society, culture, and local historical figures.

After the symposium, the participants were invited on a tour of historic and scenic sites in Lushun and Dalian, including visits to Baiyu Hill, the Lushun Museum, the site of the Lushun Japan-Russia Prison, 203 Highland, and Dongjiguan Fort (site of a major battle during the Russo-Japanese War). (Chinese text by Chang Weitung)



Participants in the Symposium on the History of the Colonialism in Taiwan. (Photo provided by Chang Weitung)

■ 8th World Conference on Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning

The 8th World Conference on Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning, a satellite conference prior to the 75th International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) General Conference, was held on August 18 to 20 in Bologna, Italy. The theme of the satellite conference was "Moving in, moving up, and moving on: strategies for regenerating the library & information profession." The Taiwan library and information science (LIS) delegation at the conference consisted of eight persons representing five organizations, including the National Central Library (NCL), led by Dr. Wu Meimei of National Taiwan Normal University. Cheng Baumei, representing NCL, served as a Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning section committee member and a mentor for presenters during the conference. The Taiwan LIS delegation presented papers at the conference and poster session. (Chinese text by Cheng Baumei)



Taiwan LIS delegation at the conference. (Photo provided by Cheng Baumei)



Taiwan LIS delegation at the poster section. (Photo provided by Cheng Baumei)

■ 75th IFLA General Conference and Council

Over 4,000 library and information science leaders from 140 countries and areas converged at the World Library and Information Congress: 75th International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) General Congress and Council, held on August 23 to 27 in Milan, Italy. The theme of the conference was "Libraries create futures: Building on cultural heritage."

The Taiwan delegation was joined by 21 persons representing 11 institutions. The group was sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) and led by Director Chen Chaochen of the National Taiwan Normal University Library.

The National Central Library was represented by Lai Lihsiang and Cheng Baumei, who presented a paper on, "E-learning for the librarians in Taiwan: the experience at the National Central Library's E-learning campus." The NCL also displayed a poster on the theme, "Cultural Heritage without Boundaries: Digitizing and Networking through International Cooperation" at the poster session. (Chinese text by Cheng Baumei and Lai Lihsiang)



The Taiwan delegation in Milan, Italy. (Photo by Cheng Baumei)