

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)



Lai Lihsiang (right) and Cheng Baumei (third from right) at the IFLA conference. (Photo provided by Cheng Baumei)

■ *Exhibition of Digital Image Design*

The National Central Library (NCL) showed the "In the Name of Art: Exploring Visual Art in Taiwan from the Modern to the Contemporary" visual art film series from September 1 to 20. The content of the films included: Subjective Imagination, Ancestral Summons, Dialogue of Lightness and Weight, Pursuit of New Art, The Avant-garde Spirit, Her Gaze, Fluid Framework, and Racing to Utopia. In addition, the NCL Arts and Audiovisual Center hosted Ku Li's "Time, Place and Narrative: Exhibition of Digital Image Design." Mr. Ku showed 49 works created from 2007 to 2009 drawing on realizations and thoughts from environmental observation, experience of time and space, changes in thought, and educational concern, and incarnating them into his signature style of compound images. Mr. Ku also generously donated to the NCL 20 works from his "Digital" created 20 years ago and his more recent "Life" series.

■ *Touring Lecture Series on Reading and Health*

In conjunction with the "Healthy Books, Reading to Fitness" event held by the Bureau of Health Promotion of the Department of Health, the National Central Library (NCL) hosted the "2009 Healthy Book Exhibition and Health Lecture" on

September 1 to 30. Subjects covered by the lecture series included, 1) Senior Care Series: When Parent's Suffer from Alzheimer's Disease; 2) Complete Guide to Alzheimer's Disease: Collected Wisdom of Professionals of the Taiwan Alzheimer's Disease Association; and 3) the Spiritual Growth Series: Helping Children to Control their Emotions.

■ *National Library of China Celebrates Centennial*

Founded in 1909 as the Jingshi Library, the National Library of China (NLC) in Beijing celebrated its 100th birthday with a series of symposiums, exhibitions and other celebration activities in September 2009. National Central Library (NCL) Director-general Karl Min Ku attended the celebration in Beijing from September 7 to 12, joined by Yan Dingjong and Keng Lichun.

The activities began on September 8 with a symposium on the "Collection Development, Research and Service on Chinese Studies." The symposium was attended by local and international scholars of culture, history and philosophy and librarians from various East Asian libraries. A total of 18 papers was presented, including a paper by Keng Lichun on the "The Literature Information Service of the Center for Chinese Studies." A second symposium was held on September 9 to 10 on



NCL Director-general Karl Min Ku (center), Yan Dingjong (left), and Keng Lichun at the welcoming banquet. (Photo provided by Keng Lichun)