learn from him to enhance the quintessence of his research and inherit his academic stature.



Director General Tseng receives the manuscripts collection donated by Professor Hong-i Wu.

NCL Organizes the 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians

Since the year 2007, every two years, the NCL organizes the "International Workshop for Professional Librarians" to promote exchanges with global East Asian Libraries and Chinese Studies research institutions,. Librarians from different countries were invited to come to Taiwan. This year, in a particular manner, the workshop unites "Cross-Strait Conference on Classification and Preservation of ancient Chinese books" as well. Hence the theme of the workshop is set as "From Ancient Times to the Present: Preservation of Ancient Chinese Books and Development of Contemporary Chinese Digital Resources." The workshop was held at the NCL from August 4-9.



Director General Tseng with the participants of 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians at the Cross-Strait Conference on Classification and Preservation of Ancient Chinese Books.

This year sees an enthusiastic response from various sectors. Even before registration was open, there were many inquiries from librarians. Originally, the yearly quota was set to 30 but 52 registered, a substantial increase of 1.7 times. Although some of them strongly regretted not being able to come due to some reason, eventually, 40 participants from 10 countries/ regions came making a record high of participation.

This year some participants who already joined the previous workshops registered again. For the first time, there are librarians from the European region such as Leiden University Library, the Netherlands and the Bavarian State Library, Munich, Germany. These two libraries also have cooperation agreement with the NCL in setting up the TRCCS. Both are considered the main hub in Chinese Studies in Europe.

Moreover, Deputy Director Thomas Tabery of the Oriental and Asia Department, Bavarian State Library is one of the lecturers. He spoke on the situation of Chinese Collections in German Libraries.

It seems obvious that the efforts of the NCL to promote Chinese Studies overseas are positively confirmed thereby successfully expanding its influence and visibility in Europe as well as around the world.



Director General Tseng with the participants of 2015 International Workshop for Professional Librarians.

NCL, NLC and Nanjing Library Jointly Organize the 2nd Xuanlan Forum

"Xuanlan tang" was the name of a repository for ancient books in the possession of private individuals during the War of Resistance. To increase the exchange and cooperation between NCL and Nanjing Library, beginning in 2014 a co-exhibition of rare books in both libraries and an accompanying forum have been held. This forum was named the Xuanlan Forum to reflect the common historical heritage shared by both libraries. This year the 2nd Xuanlan Forum was jointly organized by NCL, NLC, and Nanjing Library and held at the Fo Guang Shan Buddha Memorial Center, Kaohisung, Taiwan.