

Group photo of all the guests of the "Collection Evaluation: Cross-Strait Conference on Classification and Preservation of Ancient Chinese Books."

## NCL Holds the "Digital Library" Session of PNC 2015 Annual Conference and Joint Meetings

The "Pacific Neighborhood Consortium" (PNC) is an important international organization which aims in promoting national information exchange and circulation among the countries in the Pacific Rim. The NCL regularly participates in the annual meeting, and organizes the "Digital Library" session, inviting scholars to discuss issues related to the development and sharing in library digitization. This year, the " 2015 Annual Conference and Joint Meetings" were held at the University of Macau on September 27-29. Director General Tseng together with two colleagues attended and participated in the poster exhibition. She served as the moderator on "Digital Libraries".

This year the "Digital Libraries" event was held in the morning of September 28 on the theme "Innovative digital services of academic libraries." Invited speakers were Prof. Hao-ren Ke, University Librarian of National Taiwan Normal University library; Kwokkeung Wong, Assistant Librarian, University of Macau Library and Editor Chia-ning Chiang from the NCL. They spoke on three topics respectively: "Development of Semantic Digital Library Services with Linked Data," "The Development of Digital Library of Macau between 2000- 2015," "TCI [Taiwan Citation Index] : Towards a Rigorous Citation Index." They also exchanged views with the library professionals worldwide.



Group photo of Director General Tseng(center) and speakers.

This year, NCL two posters were selected for the "2015 PNC Poster Exhibition." On the last day of the annual meeting, at the closing and awarding ceremony, the poster: "TCI: Towards a rigorous citation index" won the first prize; the poster: "Walking in the Cloud: Value-added Digital Archive for Reading Promotion" received the second prize.

The "Taiwan Citation Index - Humanities and Social Sciences" (TCI-HSS) is a collaborative project of the NCL, the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Ministry of Science and Technology and the Science and Technology Policy Research and Information Center. The main object is to establish a comprehensive index platform for academic researchers and public users in the cross discipline of the Humanity and Social Science in Taiwan. The TCI-HSS currently includes Humanities and Social Sciences journals, NCL Theses and Dissertation in Taiwan, monographs with specialized citations contributed by domestic and overseas professionals. To help users understand and learn comprehensive referencing network, building up academic and primary references with diversified search criteria is the prioritized purpose of TCI-HSS.

In recent years, the NCL has been making effort to actively promote its digital services to the public. In drawing on achievements and abundant experience in e-resource services, the NCL has taken steps to increase its digital content, in both quality and quantity, and to further improve its e-resource services. Developments in mobile technology and cloud computing are bases on which e-learning can be further promoted and digital culture and creativity can continue to develop. This plan includes three projects: "The Promotion of the NCL's Digital Archives Project," "The Innovative Introduction of e-Resources on Ancient Chinese Rare Books Project," and "The NCL Book Mall on the Cloud - e-Book ATM Project".



Winning certificates for the two posters awarded first and second prize at the 2015 PNC Annual Meeting poster exhibition.

## **Events**

## The Inauguration of Public Library Central Region Resource Center, Yunlin, Tainan and Maoli District Resource Center

To help public libraries integrate resources and develop services, the NCL started the "Project for the Resource Integration and Development of Public Libraries" in 2013.

On July 7, the Public Library Central Region Resource Center held its inauguration ceremony at the Taichung Municipal City Huludun Cultural Center. Director General Tseng in her speech pointed out that the city and county public library lending statistics show that people borrow more books in literature and fiction but lesser in knowledge category books. To provide the public with related resources, enriching the city and county public libraries resources is an important work. The establishment of resource center in the central region indicates a vital significance. She also believes that the multi-cultural collection characteristic of the center can create more pluralistic values. She also hopes that the public will make more use of the facilities and services.



Director General Tseng with guests at the inauguration ceremony of the Central Region Resource Center.

On July 29, the Yunlin District Resource Center

held its opening ceremony. Its collection themes are well combined with the agricultural characteristics of Yunlin County. The core holdings are classified into four categories: "agriculture," "flowers & plants," "folk arts" and "cultural and creative industries." Hopefully, through the Area Resource Center, the Yunlin residents may be given more assistance in their work, in their daily living and in learning.



Director General Tseng with guests at the inauguration ceremony of the Yunlin District Resource Center.

The Public Library Tainan District Resource Center was inaugurated on August 1st and set up on the 3rd floor of the Tainan Municipal Main Library. The collections of the Center is divided into four major themes zones: "multiculture," "youth," "culture and creativity," "knowledge." It is also combined with the Southern Regional Resource Center collections thus providing beyond counties and cities circulation loan service.



A crowd of people participating in the inauguration ceremony of Tainan District Resource Center.

On August 26, Director General Tseng and Ministry of Education staff and the Project Review Committee members visited the Southern Resource Center which was inaugurated on November 2014. The Eastern Resource Center currently has a collection of nearly 30,000 volumes. Since its opening, it has