

**Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for
International Scholarly Exchange**

2024-2025 Annual Report

INTRODUCTION

The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (the Foundation) was established in 1989 in memory of the outstanding achievements of the late President of the Republic of China, Chiang Ching-kuo (1910–1988).

The Foundation’s mission is to promote the study of Chinese culture and society, as well as enhance international scholarly exchange. Its principal work is to award grants and fellowships to institutions and individuals conducting Sinological and Taiwan-related research, thereby adding new life to Chinese cultural traditions while also assuming responsibility for the further development of human civilization.

Operational funds supporting the Foundation’s activities derive from interest generated from an endowment donated by both the public and private sectors. As of June 1, 2025, the size of this endowment totaled NT\$3.62 billion.

The Foundation is governed by its Board of Directors (consisting of between 15 and 21 Board Members), as well as 3 Supervisors. Our central headquarters is located in Taipei, Taiwan, with a regional office near Washington, D.C., in McLean, Virginia. In addition, the Foundation currently maintains four overseas centers: the Chiang Ching-kuo International Sinological Center at Charles University (CCK-ISC); the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Inter-University Center for Sinology at Harvard University (CCK-IUC); The Chinese University of Hong Kong—Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies (CCK-APC); and the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan—A CCK Foundation Overseas Center at the University of Tübingen (CCKF-ERCCT). There are also review committees for the five regions covering the geographic scope of the Foundation’s operations: Domestic, American, European, Asia-Pacific, and Developing. The members of these committees are distinguished scholars in the field of Chinese Studies, who are charged with screening and evaluating all applications in their respective regions.

The Foundation’s website (<http://www.cckf.org/en>) provides detailed information on its programs, application procedures, and related resources.



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Overview

The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (hereafter referred to as the Foundation) is now entering its thirty-sixth year of operations. Established in January 1989 as the first Taiwan-based foundation to provide grants to scholars and institutions in Chinese Studies worldwide, the Foundation has funded more than 5,152 research projects in over 70 countries. These projects have resulted in the completion of over 1,157 scholarly articles and 1,233 books, as well as nearly 1,974 doctoral dissertations. In addition, the Foundation has assisted 140 academic institutions in the United States and Europe in establishing over 164 positions in the fields of Sinology, Chinese Studies, and Taiwan Studies, clearly demonstrating its leading role in providing necessary resources for the development of these fields. In all, the Foundation's grants have totaled NT\$4,558,000,000 (over US\$168,350,000).

From the very beginning, the government of the Republic of China (ROC) and donors from the private sector had the vision to establish the Foundation as an independent non-governmental scholarly agency. Under the leadership of its two late Chairmen, K. T. Li and Kuo-hua Yu, as well as former Chairmen Yih-yuan Li and Kao-wen Mao, the Foundation has strived to adhere to the principle of awarding grants solely on the basis of academic merit. In 2003, Professor Yun-han Chu succeeded Professor Yih-yuan Li as President of the Foundation, working to promote cooperation with leading overseas academic institutions and international organizations. In 2023,

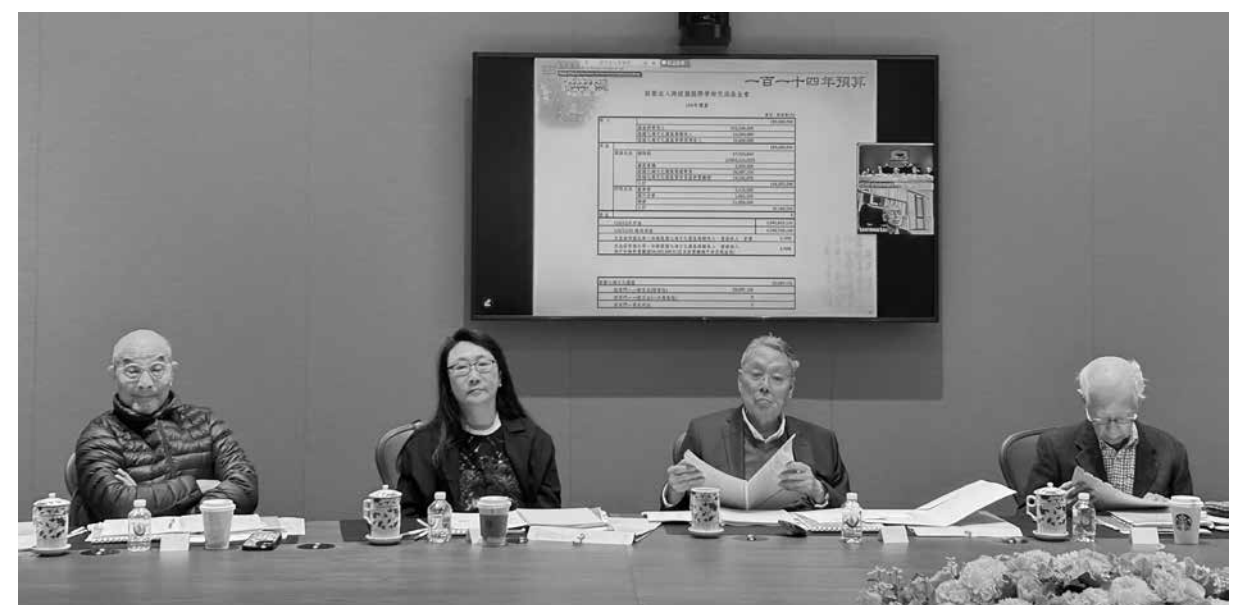
Professor Chun-i Chen succeeded Professor Yun-han Chu as President of the Foundation. In the post-pandemic era, the Foundation will continue to invest its limited resources in regions that remain committed to traditional Sinology.

Professor Yih-yuan Li was associated with the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation since its establishment in 1989, serving four terms as President and then as Chairman for three terms. Under his leadership, the Foundation emerged as one of the most active and prestigious organizations dedicated to the promotion of Chinese Studies internationally. After Professor Li retired on June 5, 2010, Dr. Kao-wen Mao succeeded him as Chairman of the Foundation. After Chairman Mao's resignation, Dr. Fredrick F. Chien became the Foundation's newest Chairman in June 2019. Since becoming Chairman, Dr. Chien has followed the path of his predecessors, advancing the Foundation's mission in promoting international scholarly exchange while abiding by established principles and enhancing Taiwan's prominence in the global academic community. At the same time, he has taken initiatives to expand bilateral collaborations among scholars across the Taiwan Strait. The Foundation looks forward to the further fruition of its programs under Chairman Chien's leadership.

The Thirteenth Board of Directors consists of the following twenty-one members: Charng-ven Chen, Chun-i Chen, Dung-sheng Chen, Fredrick F. Chien, W. Brent Christensen, Yancey Hai, Douglas Hsu, Jong-tsun Huang, Ambrose King, Angela Ki Che Leung, Wen-jia Luo, Wen-chung Pan, Stan Shih, James C. Y. Soong, Ovid J. L. Tzeng, Cher Wang, David Der-wei Wang, Ping Wang, Jing-jyi Wu, Ping-cheng Yeh, and Pauline Yu. The current Board's term extends from June 1, 2025, to May 31, 2028.



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien (center, front row) and the Board of Directors at the Board Meeting



Board Members Charng-ven Chen, Cher Wang, Stan Shih, and Wei-fan Kuo (from left to right) at the Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors is the Foundation's most important decision-making body. In addition, Lawrence Lau, Fai-nan Perng, and Hau-min Rai serve on the Foundation's Supervisory Board. There is also a Finance Committee chosen by the Board of Directors; its members are Chun-i Chen, Yancey Hai, Douglas Hsu, and Ping Wang. The Supervisory Board and Finance Committee work to supervise the Foundation's endowment and strengthen its financial operations by providing oversight in accordance with legal regulations and requirements, as well as striving to achieve the goals of prudent management and sustainable operations, thereby ensuring the Foundation's continued stability. The Foundation also operates five review committees to screen applications in the Domestic, American, European, Asia-Pacific, and Developing regions. During the 2024–2025 year, the Foundation's operations proceeded as follows:

I. Ministry of Education Appointed Board Members and Supervisors

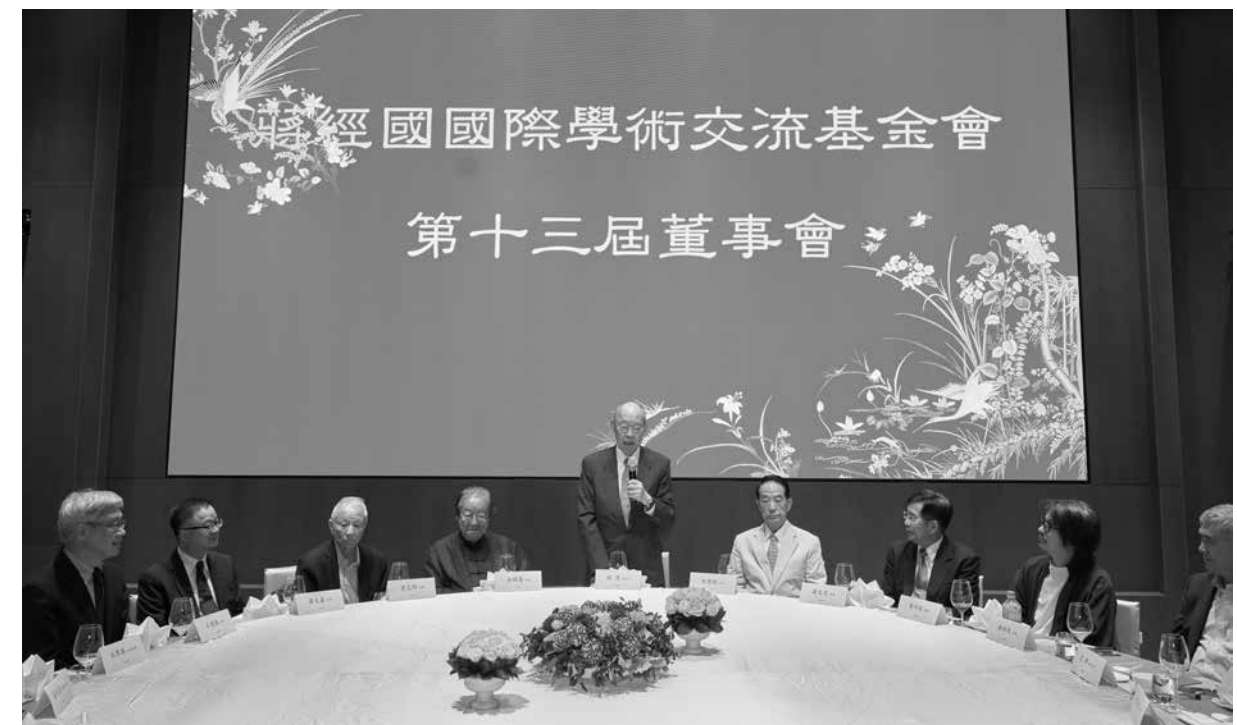
On February 1, 2019, the Foundations Act went into effect. According to Article 59 of the Act, the percentage of directors and supervisors selected, designated, or agreed by government agencies shall correspond to the ratio of endowment and donation from government agencies, public legal persons, government-owned enterprises, and government-endowed foundations to the foundation's total fund at the time of each re-election. On January 15, 2019, the Ministry of Education notified the Foundation that, in accordance with the Foundations Act and related regulations effective February 1, 2019, the government should select, designate, or agree to the appointment of eight directors and one supervisor.

The term of the Twelfth Board of Directors of the Foundation was from June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2025. The Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors confirmed the designation of directors by the Ministry of Education. On May 13, 2025, the Ministry of Education officially designated eight directors to serve on the Foundation's Thirteenth Board of Directors: Professor Emeritus Jing-Jyi Wu of National Chengchi University, Acer Group founder Stan Shih, Professor Dung-sheng Chen of National Taiwan University, former Minister of Education Jong-tsun Huang, Political Deputy Minister of Education Ping-cheng Yeh, former Minister of Education Wen-chung Pan, Vice Chairman and Secretary-General of the Straits Exchange Foundation Wen-jia Luo, and former Director of the American Institute in Taiwan W. Brent Christensen. The Ministry of Education also designated former Central Bank Governor Fai-nan Perng as a supervisor.

II. Activities of the Board

1. Board of Directors Meetings

The Sixth Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors was held on December 14, 2024, and was chaired by Chairman Fredrick F. Chien. Eighteen board members attended the meeting. However, Meng-yen Li, Douglas Hsu, and Ping-cheng Yeh were unable to attend due to other commitments. Director General Joyce Yu-jiuan



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien (center) and the Board of Directors

Lee and Section Chief Ju-fang Liu of the Department of International and Cross-strait Education, Ministry of Education, attended as observers. Foundation President Chun-i Chen reported on the operations and finances of the Foundation, and David Der-wei Wang reported on the activities of the American Region. During the meeting, the selection of the private sector directors for the Thirteenth Board of Directors was discussed. All directors unanimously agreed to the Nomination Committee's recommended list of private sector directors for the Thirteenth Board of Directors. The ten directors continuing their terms were Cher Wang, David Der-wei Wang, Pauline Yu, James C. Y. Soong, Douglas Hsu, Yancey Hai, Charng-ven Chen, Chun-i Chen, Ovid J. L. Tzeng, and Fredrick F. Chien. The three newly appointed directors were Ping Wang, Ambrose King, and Angela Ki Che Leung. The meeting discussed and approved the 2024 academic grant budget, totaling US\$2,782,906. Additionally, the meeting approved the grant allocation for each region and the first round of grant applications for 2024. This includes special projects such as the "The Project for the Development of an OCR and Full-Text Search System of Chinese Rare Books" at the Academia Sinica Center for Digital Cultures, the "Continuation of the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan - A CCK Foundation Overseas Center" at the University of Tübingen, Germany, and the establishment of the "CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies" at the National University of Singapore.

The Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors and the First Meeting of the Thirteenth Board of Directors were held on May 17, 2025. The Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors was chaired by Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, with eighteen board members in attendance. However, Meng-yen Li, Wei-

fan Kuo, and James C. Liao were unable to attend due to other commitments. Acting Deputy Director General Rebecca Lan of the Department of International and Cross-strait Education, Ministry of Education, attended as an observer. During the Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors, Foundation President Chun-i Chen reported on the Foundation's operations over the previous six months, and David Der-wei Wang reported on the activities of the American Region. Subsequently, Yancey Hai presented the finance report on behalf of the Finance Committee. The meeting also confirmed the directors and supervisor designated by the Ministry of Education for the Foundation's Thirteenth Board of Directors. All directors unanimously agreed that the eight directors designated by the Ministry of Education are Jing-jyi Wu, Stan Shih, Dung-sheng Chen, Jong-tsun Huang, Ping-cheng Yeh, Wen-chung Pan, Wen-jia Luo, and W. Brent Christensen, and that the supervisor designated by the Ministry of Education is Fai-nan Perng. The meeting approved a total of seventy-four grant applications, totaling US\$1,623,256. The meeting also approved continued funding for the CIPSH International Academy on Chinese Cultures and Global Humanities of the International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences, UNESCO.

The First Meeting of the Thirteenth Board of Directors was chaired by acting chair Ovid J. L. Tzeng, with all twenty-one directors in attendance. The directors unanimously elected Fredrick F. Chien as Foundation Chairman for the thirteenth term and unanimously approved the re-appointment of Chun-i Chen as Foundation President for the thirteenth term. In his address, Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien mentioned that the



Board Members Yancey Hai, Ovid J. L. Tzeng, Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, and President Chun-i Chen (from left to right) at the Board of Directors Meeting

Ministry of Education is the competent authority directly overseeing the Foundation. He noted that among the newly appointed directors of the thirteenth term, two are former Ministers of Education, and Ovid J. L. Tzeng, who is continuing his term, also previously served as Minister of Education. With three former Ministers of Education now on the board, Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien expressed even greater confidence in continuing to serve all stakeholders. In addition, the competent authority, the Ministry of Education, has designated Fai-nan Perng as the government-appointed supervisor. For the remaining two seats on the Supervisory Board, Hau-min Rai was unanimously re-elected for a new term by the Board of Directors, while the other seat is held by Academician Lawrence Lau.

2. Supervisory Board Meetings

The Fifth Meeting of the Supervisory Board of the Twelfth Board of Directors was held on December 17, 2024. The meeting was attended by Supervisory Board Members Ambrose King, Fai-nan Perng, and Hau-min Rai, as well as Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, President Chun-i Chen, Vice-President Gang Shyy, Chief Secretary Tsui-yin Sung, and Finance Director Mao-liang Liu. Second Secretary William Lu from the Department of International and Cross-strait Education of the Ministry of Education and Jui-kang Fu, an accountant from Baker Tilly Clock & Co, also attended as observers. The meeting began with a briefing by Foundation President Chun-i Chen on the activity reports and discussion items of the Sixth Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors.



Board Member James C. Liao, Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, President Chun-i Chen, and Board Member David Der-wei Wang (from left to right) at the Board of Directors Meeting



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien (center) and Supervisory Board Members at the Supervisory Board Meeting

Next, Jui-kang Fu of Baker Tilly Clock & Co reported on the midterm audit conducted between October 28 and November 1, 2024. The three members of the Supervisory Board noted Foundation President Chun-i Chen's briefing on the activity reports and discussion items approved by the Sixth Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors, and the audit opinion presented by Jui-kang Fu of Baker Tilly Clock & Co.

The Sixth Meeting of the Supervisory Board of the Twelfth Board of Directors was held on May 19, 2025. The meeting was attended by Supervisory Board Members Ambrose King, Fai-nan Perng, and Hau-min Rai, as well as Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, President Chun-i Chen, Vice-President Gang Shyy, Chief Secretary Tsui-yin Sung, and Finance Director Mao-liang Liu. Second Secretary William Lu from the Department of International and Cross-strait Education of the Ministry of Education and Su-chin Hsu, an accountant from Baker Tilly Clock & Co, also attended as observers. The meeting began with a briefing by Foundation President Chun-i Chen on the Foundation's financial operations during the first half of 2025, as well as the activity reports and discussion items of the Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors. Su-chin Hsu then reported an unqualified audit opinion with respect to the Foundation's balance sheets for December 31, 2023 and 2024, the income and expenditure statements, statements of changes in equity, and cash flow statements for the 2023 and 2024 fiscal years, and the related notes (including material accounting policies) in accordance with the Regulations Governing Handling of Accounting and Drawing Up of Financial Reports by National Education Foundations as well as the Enterprise Accounting Standards and interpretations thereof. The members of the Supervisory Board noted President Chun-i Chen's report on the Foundation's financial operations in the first half



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien (second from right) at the Finance Committee Meeting

of 2025, the activity reports and discussion items of the Seventh Meeting of the Twelfth Board of Directors, and the audit report presented by Su-chin Hsu of Baker Tilly Clock & Co.

3. Finance Committee Meetings

The Fifth Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Twelfth Board of Directors was held on December 13, 2024. The meeting was chaired by Fredrick F. Chien and attended by Douglas Hsu, Yancey Hai, and Lawrence Lau. President Chun-i Chen, Vice-President Gang Shyy, and Finance Director Mao-liang Liu attended the meeting as observers. Following the meeting, the Finance Committee reported to the Board of Directors that the Foundation's financial situation for the current year is stable and that it has achieved favorable investment results. Although there is a surplus, a conservative approach should be maintained to ensure a stable long-term payout ratio. Excluding depreciation, the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park is expected to break even in the long run, achieving self-sufficient operations.

The Sixth Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Twelfth Board of Directors was held on May 17, 2025. The meeting was chaired by Fredrick F. Chien and attended by Douglas Hsu, Yancey Hai, and Lawrence Lau. President Chun-i Chen, Vice-President Gang Shyy, and Finance Director Mao-liang Liu attended the meeting as observers. Following the meeting, the Finance Committee reported to the Board of Directors that the uncertain environment and market volatility in recent years have made investment management challenging. Over the past



President Chun-i Chen (center, back row) and members of the European Region Review Committee

two to three years, a rate of return of 5% to 10% has been maintained, which should be sufficient to cover the Foundation's expenses while preserving the principal. The Foundation still faces significant challenges, including pressure from the appreciation of the New Taiwan Dollar. While this helps reduce overseas expenditures, it raises concerns about the depreciation of U.S. dollar assets. The current conservative and prudent investment allocation ensures that the Foundation's finances are not exposed to excessive risk.

III. Activities of the Foundation

1. Review Committees

In accordance with its charter, the Foundation has established review committees for each of its five regions of operation: Domestic, American, European, Asia-Pacific, and Developing Regions. The President of the Foundation chairs the review committee meetings, but takes no part in evaluating the applications. Service on these committees is three years per term, with roughly one-third of the committee members rotating at the end of each term.

(1) The Domestic and Asia-Pacific Region Review Committee is composed of 14 scholars and experts who are well-versed in academic activities within Taiwan and the Asia-Pacific region. They review applications from within Taiwan as well as from Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, and Southeast Asian countries. The committee is also responsible for reviewing applications for Dissertation Fellowships for ROC Students Abroad. The Foundation temporarily suspended grant applications from the Taiwan and Asia-Pacific region on July 1,

2023. In the future, the Foundation plans to make awards for this region through special projects. However, since the review of dissertation fellowships for students from Taiwan studying in the American and European regions is still conducted by the Domestic and Asia-Pacific Region Review Committee, the committee held a meeting in Taipei on April 20, 2025, and recommended the list of fellowship recipients for the current year.

(2) The American Region Review Committee is composed of 18 distinguished scholars and professors from American academic institutions. The Committee met online on April 5, 2025, to evaluate applications received from the American Region, as well as applications for American Doctoral Fellowships.

(3) The European Region Review Committee is composed of 13 eminent scholars possessing an exceptional understanding of European Sinology. The Committee met on April 19, 2025, in Taipei to evaluate applications from the European Region. In addition, the European Fellowship Review Committee met online on April 12 in order to review applications for European Doctoral Fellowships and Postdoctoral Research Fellowships.

(4) The Developing Regions Review Committee consists of 7 senior scholars from Europe, the United States, and Asia, who are charged with evaluating applications from countries in Eastern and Central Europe, Southeast Asia, South Asia, the Middle East, and Central Asia.

2. Grant Activities in the Five Regions

The Foundation's funding programs can be grouped into two broad categories: grants and fellowships. Grants provide funding for academic institutions and individual professors, while fellowships subsidize doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers. The Foundation received 111 grant applications in 2024–2025. Of these, 69 were from the American Region, 30 from the European Region, and 12 from Developing Regions. The total amount requested was US\$3,815,201.

This year, the review committees submitted 40 grant applications for the Board's approval. During the first round of applications, the Board approved 11 grants. Six proposals were approved in the American Region, including three Conference and Seminar Grants and three Publication Subsidies totaling US\$53,000. Two Conference and Seminar Grants and two Publication Subsidies were awarded in the European Region, totaling US\$34,240 (€32,000). One Mobility Grant application was awarded in the Developing Regions for a total budget of US\$800. The total budget for the first round of grants was US\$88,040.

During the second round of applications, the Board approved 29 grants. These included: 18 projects in the American Region, with a total budget of US\$374,146; 9 projects in the European Region for a total budget of US\$283,518 (€264,970); and 2 projects in the Developing Regions for a total budget of US\$2,300. The total amount approved in the second round for these regions was US\$659,964.

The Foundation also received 137 applications for dissertation and postdoctoral fellowships. Of these, 81 came from the American Region, and included applications from 68 PhD candidates who were non-ROC citizens and 13 applicants who were ROC doctoral candidates. There were 56 applications from the European Region, including 50 European candidates (17 postdoctoral researchers and 33 PhD students), as well as 6 ROC doctoral students in Europe. The Board approved 33 applications from the American Region, including 29 fellowships for doctoral candidates from the Americas, and 4 for ROC doctoral candidates, with awards totaling US\$660,000. In Europe, the Board approved grants for 2 postdoctoral researchers, 10 European doctoral candidates, and 2 ROC doctoral candidates, with awards amounting to US\$305,592 (€285,600).

During the 2024–2025 year, the Foundation’s awarded grants and fellowships amounted to US\$748,004 and US\$965,592, totaling US\$1,713,596 (see Table 1; Figure 1), and adding the amount of US\$805,306 for special projects, bringing the total grant amount for this grant cycle to US\$2,518,902.

The following grant and fellowship activities took place in the Foundation’s funding regions:

(1) American Region

The Foundation received a total of 69 applications during the 2024–2025 grant cycle, including 21 Research Grants, 34 Scholar Grants, 3 Conference and Seminar Grants, and 11 Publication Subsidies. Additionally, there were a total of 81 fellowship applications from PhD students. The American Region Review Committee recommended 57 proposals for a total amount of US\$1,087,146 to the Foundation’s Board of Directors. The Foundation also awarded US\$123,000 in Special Project grants for a grand total of US\$1,210,146, which

Table 1 — 2024–2025 Grant Allocations

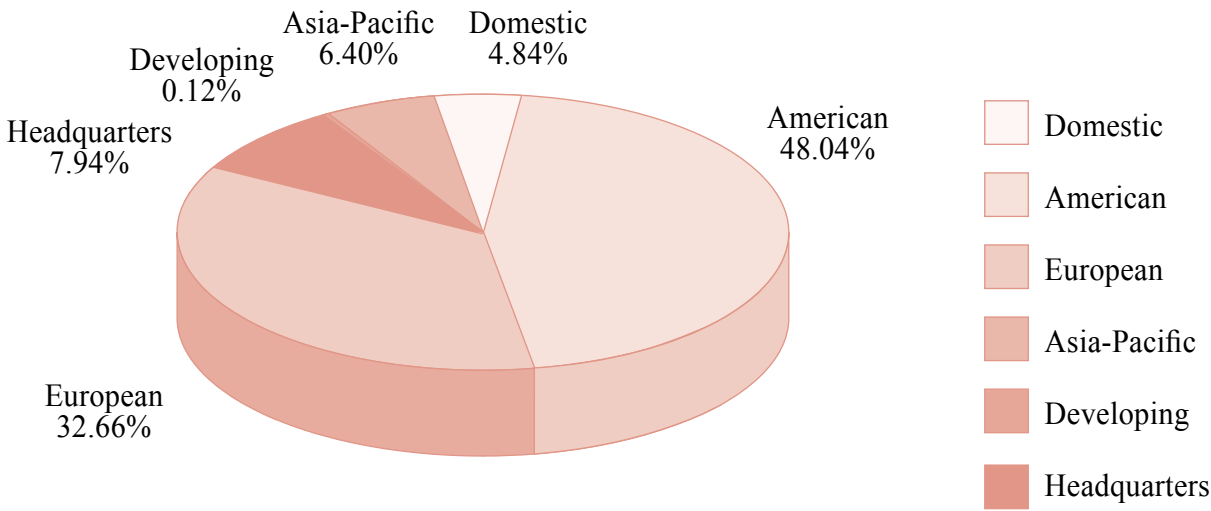
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Region	Grants		Fellowships	Special Projects	Total
	First Round	Second Round			
Domestic	0	0	0	121,875	121,875 (4.84%)
American	53,000	374,146	660,000	123,000	1,210,146 (48.04%)
European	34,240	283,518	305,592	199,181	822,531 (32.66%)
Asia-Pacific	0	0	0	161,250	161,250 (6.40%)
Developing	800	2,300	0	0	3,100 (0.12%)
Headquarters	0	0	0	200,000	200,000 (7.94%)
Total	88,040	659,964	965,592	805,306	2,518,902



President Yi-ting Chung’s project “North American Taiwan Studies Association 30th Conference—“Toward an Otherwise in Taiwan and Beyond”” in the American Region

Figure 1 — 2024–2025 Regional Expenditures



constituted 48.04% of its entire grant and fellowship budget.

Approved Research Grant applications covered many topics, including Professor Huaiyu Chen of Arizona State University’s “Locality and Hybridity in the Chinese Religious Manuscripts in the Hsu Collection”; Professor Jing Cai of University of Maryland, College Park’s “Enhancing Decision-Making: The Impact of Information Provision on Worker Task Assignment”; Professor Vance Schaefer of University of Mississippi’s “Enhancing the Communicative Repertoire of L2 Mandarin Learners in Taiwan: Teaching/Learning Taiwanese Hokkien and Mandarin Speech Styles”; Professor Suzanne Scoggins of Clark University’s “Policing Public Relations: Lessons from Law Enforcement and the Military”; Professor Shu-shan Lee of Hampton University’s “A Re-examination of the Relationship between Confucianism and Democracy in Chinese Societies: The Perspective of Robert Dahl’s Guardianship”; Professor Frances Yaping Wang of Colgate University’s “Buying Influence: Analyzing Chinese Outsourced Foreign Propaganda in Asia”; Professor Christopher Rea of University of British Columbia’s “In Melon Time: Cultivating the Associative Imagination”; Professor Jason Protass of Brown University’s “Heart of the River: A Buddhist History of the Yangtze River and Coastal Fujian”; Professor Shaohua Guo of Carleton College’s “Streaming China in Times of Precarity: Webcasts, Short Videos, and Creative Industry”; Professor Jennifer Dorothy Lee of School of the Art Institute of Chicago’s “Diasporic Longing: Stories of Music and Migration from the Family of Yo-Yo Ma”; and Professor Cheng-hua Wang of Princeton University’s “Topographical Landscape Painting at the Qianlong Court (1736–1795): Spatial Performativity, Imperial Territoriality, and Sino-European Interactions.”

The Foundation’s American Region Review Committee also approved several Conference and Seminar Grants, including “Chinese Culture and Plant Humanities,” organized by Professor Natasha Heller of University of Virginia; “North American Taiwan Studies Association 30th Annual Conference” by President Yi-ting Chung of the North American Taiwan Studies Association, and “The Beauty and the Book: Women, Knowledge, Literature, and Book Culture in Ming-Qing China and Beyond” by Professor Wai-ye Li of Harvard University. The Foundation’s Publication Subsidies supported several book projects from University of Washington Press, Yale University Press, and York University.

(2) European Region

The Foundation received 30 applications from the European Region in 2024–2025, including 11 proposals from the United Kingdom, 4 from France, 3 from Italy, 2 from Switzerland, and 1 each from the Czech Republic, Belgium, Austria, Israel, Finland, Poland, Germany, Portugal, Hungary, and Ireland. Applications included 1 Lecture Series proposal, 12 Research Grant proposals, 3 Database Grant proposals, 10 Conference and Seminar Grant proposals, and 4 Publication Subsidy proposals. The total amount of funding requested was €1,441,841 (US\$1,542,770). In the first round of competition, the Board approved 2 Conference and Seminar Grants and 2 Publication Subsidies for a total of €32,000 (US\$34,240). In the second round, 9 grants were approved for a total of €264,970 (US\$283,518), including 4 Research Grants and 5 Conference and Seminar Grants. In addition,

10 Doctoral Fellowships, 2 Postdoctoral Research Fellowships and 2 Dissertation Fellowships for ROC students in the European Region were funded for 285,600 Euros (US\$305,592). In all, US\$822,531 or 32.66% of the Foundation’s grant budget (including 186,150 Euros (US\$199,181) for Special Projects) were allocated to the European Region in 2024–2025.

The 4 Research Grants awarded in the European Region this year were: “Central Asian Academic Knowledge Production about China and Its Politics” by Professor Julie Yu-wen Chen of University of Helsinki; “Transnational Movements and Cultural Networks: Arundel del Re’s Intellectual Life in Three Continents” by Professor Federica Ferlanti of Cardiff University; “Confessional Texts in Chinese Manichaeism and Buddhism in the Light of New Discoveries” by Professor Gábor Kósa of Eötvös Loránd University; and “Economic Statecraft and Semiconductor Supply Chain Vulnerability in Taiwan, China, and the United States” by Professor Ming-chin Chu of University of Southampton.

Seven Conference and Seminar Grants awarded this year include: Professor Astrid Lipinsky of University of Vienna, for “Taiwan as a Contact Zone: Connecting to the German-Speaking World”; Professor Kevin Fahey of University of Nottingham, for “What Can Taiwan Teach the World, What Can the World Teach Taiwan: Studying Elections after the Year of Elections”; Professor Joshua Wright of University of Aberdeen, for “SEAA10: The 10th Worldwide Conference of the Society for East Asian Archaeology”; Professor Junliang Pan of Université Paris Cité, for “Globalization of Taiwan’s Religions”; Professor Sebastian Eicher of Ca’ Foscari University of Venice, for “Chinese Assistants, Collaborators, and Cultural Intermediaries: Working with Westerners in Sino-Western Exchanges”; Professor Wolfgang Behr of University of Zürich, for “Literary Forms and Epistemic Goals in Early Chinese Philosophical Texts”; and Professor Grzegorz Polak of Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin, for “Discursive and Non-Discursive Reasoning in Chinese Philosophy.”

Two Publication Subsidies were awarded to Professor Christian Henriot of Aix-Marseille University, for the publication of *Modern China in Flux: Networks, Mobility, and Transformation*; and Professor Rafael Suter of University of Zürich, for the publication of *The Publication of Doctrine and Practice of Chinese Tiantai Buddhism — The All-Encompassing Deconstruction*, by Professor Hans-Rudolf Kantor.



Professor Astrid Lipinsky’s project “Taiwan as a Contact Zone: Connecting to the German-Speaking World” in the European Region



Professor Yajun Mo's project "From Shanghai to Shangri-La: Zhuang Xueben and China's Ethnographic Frontier" in the American Region

for Chinese Philosophy (EACP), University of Iceland, Reykjavík, June 26-28, 2025"; and Ms. Chor See Chan of Ahmedabad University, for "Everyday Food Practices of Migrants from Southern China to Hong Kong, Taipei and Kolkata from the 1950s to the Present."

(4) Special Projects

A. "The Project for the Development of an OCR and Full-Text Search System of Chinese Rare Books" at the Academia Sinica Center for Digital Cultures

From 2006 to 2009, the Foundation provided funding to the Institute of History and Philology at Academia Sinica for the development of the project "A Digital Library of Chinese Rare Books." This project incorporates nearly 400,000 digitized images of rare books from the Fu Ssu-nien Library at Academia Sinica, the Library of Congress, the Harvard-Yenching Library, and the East Asian Library and Gest Collection at Princeton University. It serves as a critical foundation for the preservation and retrieval of ancient Chinese rare books. However, due to the technological limitations and manpower constraints at the time, the system lacked full-text viewing and search capabilities, preventing it from fully realizing its potential in international Sinology research.

With the rapid advancement of digital humanities and AI technologies, including the maturation of Optical

(3) Developing Regions

In 2024–2025, the Foundation received 12 applications from scholars in the Developing Regions, including 7 from Malaysia, and 1 each from Vietnam, India, Croatia, Poland, and Estonia. A total of 8 Research Grants and 4 Mobility Grants totaling US\$153,071 were requested. In the first round of competition, one Mobility Grant was awarded, with an award amount of US\$800. In the second round, 2 Mobility Grants were granted for US\$2,300. The total amount of funding awarded was US\$3,100. The Foundation allocated 0.12% of its annual budget to the Developing Regions.

Mobility Grants were awarded to Professor Lisa Indraccolo of Tallinn University, for "The Talking Dead – The Trope of the Loquacious Skull and the Unchatty Ghost in Early China"; Professor Ivana Buljan of University of Zagreb, for "Presenting a Paper 'What Heaven Begins, Man Completes: Selfhood, Work, and Cosmology in Western Han Thought' at the 5th Biennial Conference of the European Association



Professor Jeremy Taylor (center)'s project "Documenting Wartime Collaboration: Scholarly Geopolitics and Transnational Re-assessments of the Wang Jingwei Regime" in the European Region

Character Recognition (OCR), many challenges have been addressed. OCR is a key technology in the digital humanities field, significantly improving the efficiency and accuracy of digitizing ancient texts. The Academia Sinica Center for Digital Cultures is a global leader in this area, achieving a 95% accuracy rate in recognizing characters from woodblock-printed texts. Additionally, the Center has developed the "Academia Sinica Text Recognition and Proofreading Platform" and established collaborative agreements with cultural heritage institutions worldwide to advance OCR services for materials including ancient books, cursive script, rubbings, bamboo and wooden slips, and Japanese texts.

Accordingly, the Foundation commissioned Hsi-yuan Chen, the Director of the Center, to build upon the existing "A Digital Library of Chinese Rare Books" project. By leveraging the Center's OCR technology, the project will reduce the time-consuming and labor-intensive transcription process and accelerate the full-text digitization of ancient texts. Simultaneously, by integrating the Center's expertise in database development and management, the initiative will optimize the existing data structure and interface design to develop "The Project for the Development of an OCR and Full-Text Search System of Chinese Rare Books." This enhanced system is expected to enrich the digital archives of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library while allowing members to access information more efficiently, improving data reusability. Ultimately, it will elevate the quality and depth of academic research while fostering cultural and intellectual preservation and innovation. Additionally, the



The Project for the Development of an OCR and Full-Text Search System of Chinese Rare Books

platform for browsing digitized images and full-text data of rare and precious ancient Chinese texts held in collections worldwide. This platform will support researchers in deepening their studies and sharing their work, while promoting academic exchange and cultural preservation, thereby broadening the global reach and impact of ancient texts.

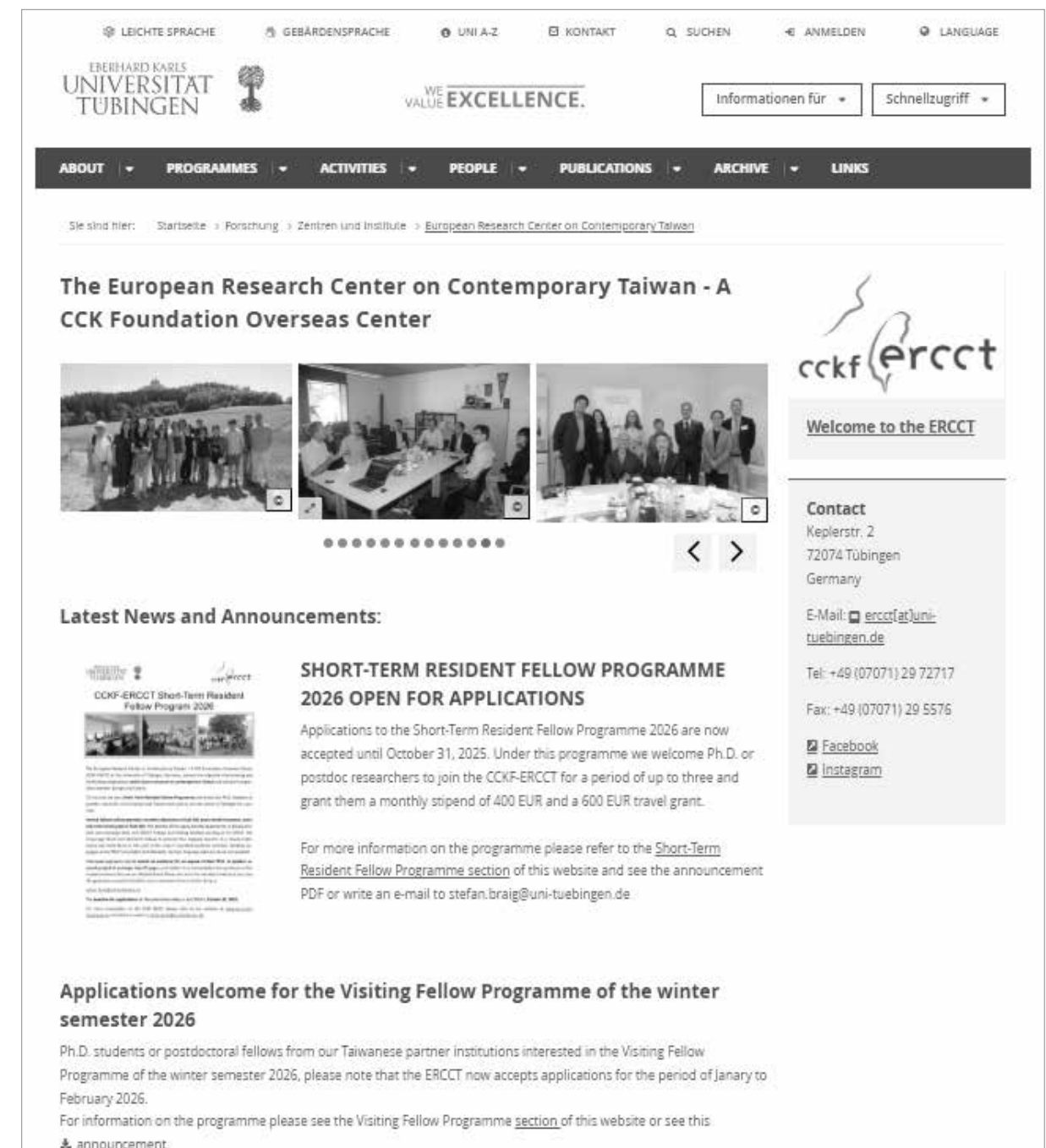
B. Support for the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan—A CCK Foundation Overseas Center (CCKF-ERCCT) at the University of Tübingen

In 2003, the University of Tübingen established a Chair of Greater China Studies, with a focus on both teaching and research on contemporary Taiwan. Subsequently, in order to achieve the goal of establishing a more systematic approach to the development of Taiwan Studies in Europe, including a Master's program, workshops, publishing papers on Taiwan-related issues, developing library resources, and supporting visiting scholars, the University of Tübingen decided to establish the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan (ERCCT). Due to its many fine accomplishments, the ERCCT received three-year Special Project grants from the Foundation in 2008 and 2011.

To build on the achievements of the ERCCT, its Director, Professor Gunter Schubert, visited the Foundation as the end of the second three-year grant was approaching to discuss the possibility of establishing a new overseas center at the University of Tübingen. In view of the Center's strong track record and the Foundation's commitment to advancing Taiwan Studies in Europe, the Foundation agreed to join forces with the University of Tübingen to establish the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan—A CCK Foundation Overseas Center (CCKF-ERCCT).

In the eleven years since its establishment, CCKF-ERCCT has faced challenges, including rising costs in Germany that strained event and administrative budgets, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic, which forced an abrupt shift from in-person to virtual activities. Nevertheless, CCKF-ERCCT has adapted successfully, navigating these challenges and continuing to thrive. During this period, the CCKF-ERCCT has advanced various initiatives with the support of the University of Tübingen and the Foundation: a. serve as a platform for

Center will promote the participation of domestic and international archival institutions in the project, overcoming the limitations of physical libraries. By adopting the open concept of a cloud-based library that spans countries and collections, the project will provide a single-access



CCKF-ERCCT website

highly qualified European and Taiwanese postgraduate students to conduct empirical research on contemporary Taiwan, particularly in the areas of politics, law, economics, society, and cross-Strait relations; b. support empirical research on Taiwan by working closely with top academic institutions and organizing a tutorial system to help CCKF-ERCCT fellows conduct fieldwork and establish contact with Taiwanese researchers; c. invite

visiting scholars from Taiwan and Europe to give lectures at CCKF-ERCCT and to participate in the Center’s regular Taiwan Colloquium, where they can share their expertise with the Center’s research fellows; d. host short-term visiting scholars from Taiwan to participate in the Center’s academic activities; e. assist emerging scholars in the field of Taiwan Studies to publish their work with reputable international publishers; f. organize conferences and workshops on topics related to contemporary Taiwanese politics and society as well as cross-strait relations, including an annual Taiwan Europe Connectivity Workshop.

CCKF-ERCCT has been highly effective in promoting various academic activities across Europe. It has successfully fulfilled the Foundation’s goal of advancing Taiwan Studies in Europe and fostering exchanges between European and Taiwanese academic institutions. Moving forward, the Center will continue to deepen these efforts and collaborate with other Asian Studies institutions in Germany as well as the European Association of Taiwan Studies. It will support Taiwan Studies scholars who are about to obtain or have recently obtained their doctoral degrees in continuing their research and publishing their work, thereby strengthening the foundation of Taiwan Studies in Europe.

C. Establishment of the “CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies” at the National University of Singapore

In January and July 2024, Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited several key academic institutions in Singapore, including Singapore Management University, National University of Singapore, Singapore University of Technology and Design, Nanyang Technological University, and the Singapore International Foundation. During a meeting with Professor Chang Woei Ong, Head of the Department of Chinese Studies at the National University of Singapore, Foundation President Chun-i Chen discussed the current state of Sinology in Taiwan and Singapore, the Foundation’s efforts to maintain ties with academic institutions and scholars across the Asia-Pacific region despite suspending new applications from the region, and its commitment to providing focused, in-depth support to institutions and scholars dedicated to traditional Sinology research. President Chen sensed that Professor Ong shared a deep passion for Sinology and a vision aligned with the Foundation’s goal to strengthen Southeast Asian Sinology. This shared vision gradually led to the idea of establishing the Foundation’s fifth overseas Sinology research center in Singapore.

After Foundation President Chun-i Chen returned to Taiwan, the Foundation continued its communication with Professor Chang Woei Ong. In November 2024, Professor Ong formally submitted a proposal to the Foundation to establish the “CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies” at the National University of Singapore. The proposal detailed the academic activities planned for the next three years: a. Organize an annual ASEAN–Taiwan conference/workshop/graduate student forum to facilitate scholarly exchanges between ASEAN and Taiwanese academic institutions. Participants will include scholars from the University of Malaya, Chulalongkorn University, Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, University of the Philippines, as well as Academia Sinica, National Taiwan University, and National Taiwan Normal University. b. Organize



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international academic conferences focused on Sinology and overseas Chinese Studies, inviting scholars from Asia, North America, and Europe to present their latest research. These events aim to create a global forum for academic exchange and to foster innovative and diverse research perspectives. c. Provide publication subsidies each year to support five scholars from Southeast Asia or Taiwan to publish monographs on Sinology or Chinese language, history, and culture in Southeast Asia. d. Offer small research grants each year to support five scholars from Southeast Asia or Taiwan studying Sinology or Chinese language, history, and culture in Southeast Asia, covering travel expenses to encourage participation in conferences and facilitate data collection and fieldwork. e. Organize a lecture series focused on Chinese art, culture, history, literature, philosophy, and language, inviting one scholar each year to Singapore to deliver a public lecture and engage with local scholars and students.

Professor Chang Woei Ong mentioned that the vision of the CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies—to preserve Chinese culture, support cutting-edge humanities and social science research, and strengthen Sinology in Southeast Asia—aligns closely with the Foundation’s goals. Considering the strategic position and academic strengths of the National University of Singapore, the Foundation views it as an ideal hub to expand research on Chinese communities across Southeast Asia—including Malaysia, Vietnam, and Indonesia. This initiative builds on the Foundation’s long-term commitment to Sinology in the Asia-Pacific and aims to provide better academic resources for scholars in the region. It also seeks to foster greater academic collaboration and exchange between Southeast Asia, Taiwan, and Western countries.

D. Funding for International Camps on Chinese Culture and Global Humanities Organized by UNESCO’s International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences (CIPSH)

The International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences (Conseil International de la Philosophie et des Sciences Humaines, CIPSH) is a non-governmental organization within UNESCO founded in Brussels

on January 18, 1949. Its mission is to support a wide range of learned societies and coordinate international research undertaken by vast networks of scholars. CIPSH is committed to enhancing communication among specialists from different disciplines and promoting better knowledge of the world's diverse social, individual, and collective behaviors so as to bring to the fore the richness of each culture and their fruitful diversity. At present, members of CIPSH include 22 major international academic organizations, including the Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes (CHCI), Asian New Humanities Net (ANHN), the International Committee of Historical Sciences (Comité International des Sciences Historiques, CISH), the International Federation for Modern Languages and Literatures (Fédération Internationale des Langues et Littératures Modernes, FILLM), and the International Association for Promoting Geoethics (IAPG).

In recent years, CIPSH has become increasingly impressed by the importance of Chinese culture in the field of global humanities and has actively pursued joint endeavors with scholarly associations in Asia. On November 16, 2018, CIPSH Secretary-General Dr. Luiz Miguel Oosterbeek visited the Foundation to exchange ideas on these and other issues with late President Yun-han Chu. After learning about the Foundation's numerous achievements in international scholarly exchange, Dr. Oosterbeek requested authorization from the CIPSH leadership to pursue a cooperative three-year program with the Foundation involving thematic seminars held in different regions to foster deeper dialogue among leading scholars worldwide.

The seminars were originally scheduled to take place between 2020 and 2022. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic struck in the first year. Nonetheless, Dr. Oosterbeek persevered, and the first seminar, "Chinese and European Resources for a Global Ethic," was organized online. The seminar was attended by two scholars from National Taiwan University, Professor Chun-chieh Huang and Professor Sebastian Hsien-hao Liao. The second seminar, "Global Challenges and Global Ethics in a Time of Pandemic and Climate Change," in 2021 was also held online due to the ongoing pandemic. The seminar was attended by Professor Fuh-yuan Shih and Professor Hsiu-hsi Chen from the College of Medicine at National Taiwan University. With the easing of the pandemic, the third seminar, "Towards a Common Heritage: How Artistic Images Shaped the Global Understanding of the World in the Seabords of Eurasia since the 1650s," was held in person in Lisbon, Portugal, in 2022. Professor Ching-fei Shih from the Graduate Institute of Art History at National Taiwan University and Associate Research Fellow Yu-chih Lai from the Institute of Modern History at Academia Sinica were invited to attend the seminar. Following the seminar, the presented papers were compiled and published as an electronic volume. In 2023, the fourth seminar, titled "The Quest for Global Ethics: Researchers in Dialogue," was held in Stockholm, Sweden. Professor Hsiu-hsi Chen of the College of Medicine at National Taiwan University was once again invited to participate, and Foundation President Chun-i Chen delivered opening remarks by video link. In 2024, the final seminar of the series was held in Madrid, Spain, with the theme "Education as a Global Strategy: The Dialogue Between Tradition and New Goals in the Educational Systems in the Chinese World and in Europe." Professor Sebastian Hsien-hao Liao from National Taiwan University was invited to participate in the seminar. The seminar was organized in conjunction with the 75th anniversary celebrations of CIPSH, bringing the series to a perfect close.



President Chun-i Chen delivers the opening remarks for a CIPSH International Camp

Despite the challenge of the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Oosterbeek successfully organized seminars each year, fulfilling the project's goal of hosting advanced seminars on specific research themes across different regions, fostering dialogue within the local academic community, and inspiring new research ideas and discussions among participating scholars. In October 2024, Foundation President Chun-i Chen attended the centennial international symposium of Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France in Paris. While in Paris, he also met with Dr. Oosterbeek at UNESCO. The meeting gave President Chen a deeper understanding of how CIPSH organizes and coordinates each seminar, with the hope that these events will have a growing impact on the academic community.

3. Overseas Sinological and Taiwan Studies Centers

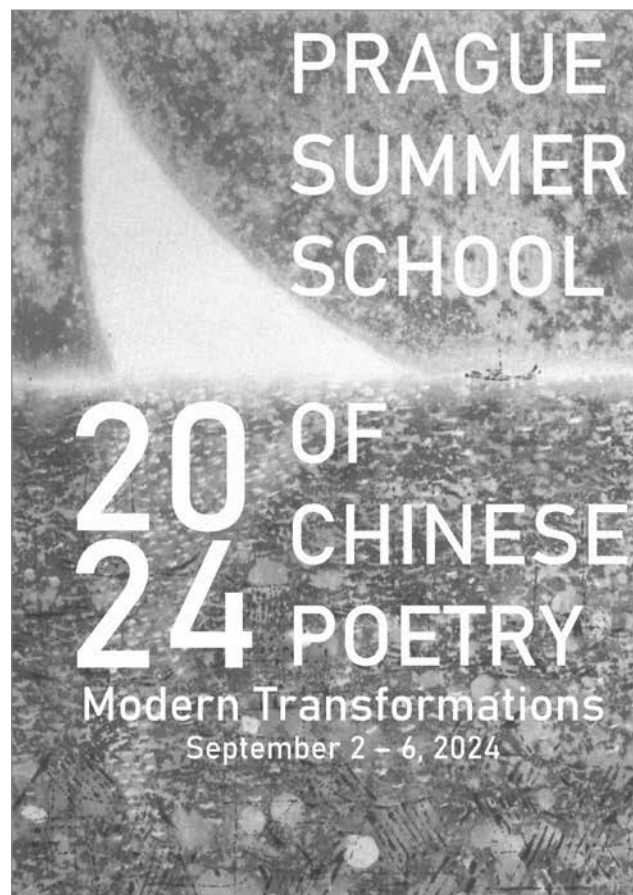
(1) The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation International Sinological Center at Charles University (CCK-ISC)

In 2024–2025, the Center conducted its activities in accordance with the three-year framework program approved by the Foundation in 2023. This year is the third year of the eighth cycle of the Center's operations, which commenced in 1997.

The Center continued its close collaboration with the Oriental Institute of Czech Academy of Sciences in Prague, with the National Gallery in Prague serving as another domestic partner. Traditional collaboration with East European universities continued as well, with students and young scholars from the region taking part in activities organized and sponsored by the Center. This year's activities included:

A. Prague International Summer School in Sinology

From September 2–6, 2024, the Center organized the Second Prague Summer School of Chinese Poetry. Whereas the previous year's program focused on Tang poetry, this time the central theme was "Modern Transformations" and was dedicated to 20th-century poetry, including poetry from China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. The speakers at the summer school included leading scholars in the field, Michelle Yeh (UC Davis), Leonard Chan (National Tsing Hua University), Zhiyi Yang (Frankfurt University), Maghiel van Crevel (Leiden University), and Andrea Riemenschnitter (Zurich University). Charles University faculty, including Olga Lomová and Šárka Masárová, also presented. The program is designed primarily for students and young scholars from Central and Eastern Europe (CEE), who were supported with travel grants from the Center. At the same time, it drew strong interest beyond the CEE region, with self-funded participants from Germany, Italy, and France.



Poster for "Prague International Summer School in Sinology"

B. Sinological Seminar

- a. On May 27, 2024, the Center organized a panel discussion with Taiwanese writers Zi-fan Shieh and Kai-te Hsieh at Charles University, where they also promoted their recently translated works.
- b. On May 28, 2024, European Fellowship Committee Member Professor Rana Mitter of Harvard University gave a lecture on "Ideology, Identity, Internationalism: How the Postwar Shaped China's Global Ambitions, 1945–49."
- c. On May 6, 2025, Honorary Researcher Tammy Lai-ming Ho of the Richard Charles Lee Canada-Hong Kong Library, University of Toronto, gave a talk on "Voices in the City: Protest, Politics and the Power of Words in Hong Kong" and delivered a poetry reading.

C. Small Research Projects and Travel Grants

The Center supported fourteen travel grants and two small research grants:

- a. Eight graduate students and teachers from the Central and Eastern European region (Croatia, Czech Republic, and Poland) received travel support from the Center and attended the 56th Annual Conference of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy; one scholar, Professor Jana Benická of Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia, attended the 16th Annual Czech-Slovak Sinological Conference, and five graduate students and teachers of Charles University attended conferences in Austria, China, Germany, Hong Kong and Taiwan, respectively.
- b. Two research grants were awarded to Professor Olga Lomová of Charles University for her research papers entitled "The Beauty of Mourning" and "Exposing the Authorial Intent? Xie Lingyun's Selfcommentaries," and to Dr. Michaela Pejčochová for her research entitled "Chinese Art Collections in Czechoslovakia."

D. International Workshops and Conferences

- a. From July 17 to 18, 2024, the Center co-organized an international conference "Translation of Taiwanese Literature in Dialogue with the Publishing Industry" with the Oriental Institute of the Czech Academy of Science.
- b. From September 16 to 18, 2024, the Center co-organized the "56th Annual Conference of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy: Philosophical Encounters" with the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy.
- c. From November 16 to 17, 2024, the Center co-organized the "16th Annual Czech-Slovak Sinological Conference" with Charles University.

E. Publication Support

Publication support was awarded for the translation of "Airs of the States" from *Book of Songs* into Czech, *KNIHA PÍSNÍ – nápěvy knížectví*, by Professor Lukáš Zádřapa.



Poster for the "16th Annual Czech-Slovak Sinological Conference"

F. Post-doctoral Grant

Dr. Kateřina Gajdošová serves as a postdoctoral researcher in the Center with a project on ancient Chinese philosophy, “Redefining Agent and Agency in the Light of the Early Chinese Excavated Texts,” and is currently preparing her research for publication.

(2) The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Inter-University Center for Sinology (CCK-IUC)

Established in 2005, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Inter-University Center for Sinology (CCK-IUC) is supervised by the American Regional Office of the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation. Under the leadership of Professor David Der-wei Wang of Harvard University, the CCK-IUC has actively engaged in the organization of large-scale international conferences, workshops, seminars, and lecture series, as well as translation and monograph publication in order to further cooperation between scholars and academic institutions in the United States, Europe, and Asia. From 2024 to 2025, the CCK-IUC sponsored the following events:

A. University of Washington Taiwan Studies Program - New Book Lecture Series

a. On October 31, 2024, Professor Anru Lee from the City University of New York discussed her new book *Haunted Modernities: Gender, Memory, and Placemaking in Postindustrial Taiwan*. The book interrogates the nature of shared expressions of history, sentiments, and memory as it investigates the role of twenty-five young women—who drowned in a ferry accident on their way to work in factories in 1973—in the shifting public narrative during and after the construction and renovation of the famous Twenty-five Maiden Ladies. By exploring the ways in which the deceased young women were perceived to “haunt” the living and the diverse



Professor Anru Lee (right) discusses her new book at the University of Washington Taiwan Studies Program

renovations proposed, the book illuminates how women workers in Taiwan have been conceptualized in the last several decades. The Twenty-five Maiden Ladies Tomb as a heritage site elucidates how “history” and “memory” are not simply about the past but part of a forward-looking process that emerges from the social, political, and economic needs of the present, legitimized and validated through its associations with the past.

b. On January 30, 2025, Professor Catherine Lila Chou from National Chengchi University and Professor Mark Harrison from University of Tasmania delivered a hybrid lecture on their newly published book, *Revolutionary Taiwan: Making Nationhood in a Changing World Order*. Professor Chou and Professor Harrison presented a deeply researched history that helped the audience understand how Taiwan was revolutionized over the centuries—from settler colonialism, authoritarianism, democracy, and contested sovereignty. Their narrative of Taiwan was moving and powerful. Most importantly, their book centers the perspectives of Taiwanese peoples, and why their voices matter.

c. On February 6, 2025, Professor Timothy M. Yang from the University of Georgia discussed his book *A Medicated Empire: The Pharmaceutical Industry and Modern Japan*. Drawing from extensive archival research, Professor Yang examined the intricate relationship between Japan’s early twentieth-century pharmaceutical industry and its colonial endeavors, particularly in Taiwan. By focusing on Hoshi Pharmaceuticals, one of East Asia’s most influential drug companies of the era, he illustrated how pharmaceutical enterprises supported and, at times, subverted Japan’s imperial mission abroad. Yang’s analysis shed light on the dual nature of medicine as both a humanitarian endeavor and a profit-driven enterprise, prompting reflections on the ethical complexities inherent in the intersection of public health and colonial capitalism.

d. On March 6, 2025, Professor Honghong Tinn from the University of Minnesota gave a lecture on her newly published book, *Island Tinkerers: Innovation and Transformation in the Making of Taiwan’s Computing Industry*. In her talk, Professor Tinn explored how Taiwan evolved into a global leader in high-tech manufacturing. She highlighted the pivotal role of local technologists—engineers, technocrats, computer users, and entrepreneurs—who engaged in hands-on tinkering with imported computing technologies. Rather than merely imitating Western innovations, these individuals adapted and modified technologies to suit Taiwan’s unique context, leading to significant advancements in the computing industry.

B. Online Forums, Talks, Symposiums, and Workshops

a. Co-sponsored by CCK-IUC and Cornell Law School’s Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture, a conference titled “The Past, Present, and Future of Law and Economics in Asia” was held at Cornell University on October 5 and 6, 2024. The Jack G. Clarke Professor in East Asian Law and Director of the Clarke Program, Yun-chien Chang, organized the conference. During the two-day event, a diverse slate of scholars working across multiple jurisdictions presented their research about the development of law and economics in the different jurisdictions, including China, Japan, South Korea, Vietnam, Malaysia, India, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. Given that law and economics is one of the most important legal research methods in the United States, conference participants also discussed the hurdles in promoting this method in East Asia, and laid out ways to better promote it in the future. Three Taiwanese scholars attended the symposium: Tze-shiou Chien

(Academia Sinica), Christopher Chao-hung Chen, and Patrick Chung-chia Huang (National Taiwan University).

b. On October 24, 2024, Professor Laikwan Pang from The Chinese University of Hong Kong delivered an online talk on her newly published book, *One and All: The Logic of Chinese Sovereignty*. The event featured Professor Yurou Zhong from the University of Toronto and Professor Hang Tu from the National University of Singapore as discussants, with CCK-IUC Director David Der-wei Wang (Harvard University) as the host. Professor Pang's new book centers on the concept of sovereignty and how the People's Republic of China (PRC) resorts to the logic of sovereignty to respond to many external and internal challenges, from territorial rights disputes to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the talk, Pang delved into the historical roots of Chinese sovereignty and the idea of *tian*, tracing how they cut across the four different political structures of modern China—imperial, republican, socialist, and post-socialist—and the dramatic ruptures between them. The book talk concluded with a lively discussion between Pang and the two discussants, who shared their perspectives on different aspects of the book.

c. On November 22, 2024, the “Sinological Studies and Contemporary Taiwan” symposium convened a group of young scholars engaged in contemporary Taiwanese research, who presented their most recent findings.

Among them are Professor Dingru Huang from Tufts University, Professor Kevin Luo from the University of Minnesota, Professor Yu-cheng Shih from Brown University, and others. Their research interests span diverse disciplines, including political science, media studies, literature, and art history.

d. On February 13, 2025, CCK-IUC and Harvard University co-hosted a theater workshop titled “Peking Opera, Shanghai Style: From Mei Lanfang to Shi Yihong.” The event featured a lecture and live demonstration by Shi Yihong, a renowned performer from the Shanghai Jingju Theatre Company. Moderated by Director David Der-wei Wang, the workshop explored the evolution of the Shanghai style of Peking Opera, tracing its development from the legendary Mei Lanfang to contemporary interpretations. Shi Yihong, celebrated for her mastery of female roles in the Mei Lanfang tradition, shared insights into the stylistic nuances and performance techniques that distinguish the Shanghai School.

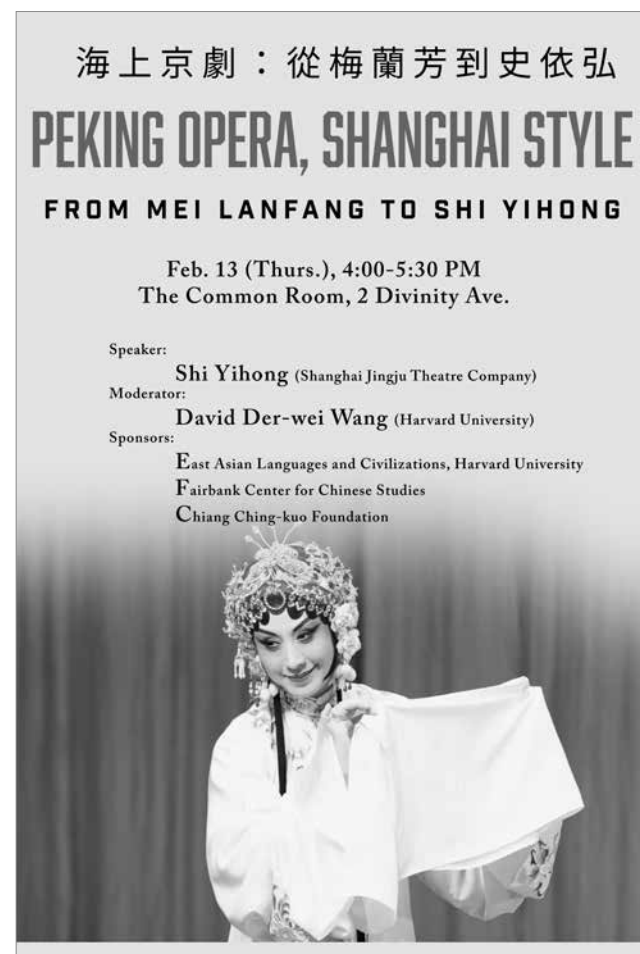
e. As a follow-up to last year's workshop, “Sinological Studies and Contemporary Taiwan”

(held November 22, 2024), fifteen scholars from various universities and institutes across the United States gathered on February 21, 2025, for the symposium “Taiwan Studies +.” Participants presented and discussed their recent research, spanning diverse disciplines such as political science, media studies, literature, and art history. Organized in response to heightened global interest in Taiwan, the symposium explored innovative approaches to Taiwan's history, culture, politics, and environment, highlighting how adopting a “Taiwan perspective” could enrich broader discussions of regional and global interest. Emphasizing interdisciplinary and multi-scalar methods, the symposium sought to expand Taiwan Studies beyond traditional academic and geopolitical frameworks. Professors Kevin Luo (University of Minnesota, Twin Cities) and Director David Der-wei Wang co-hosted the symposium and moderated the discussions.

f. On April 4, 2025, a conference titled “Reading Sinophone Women Writers” took place at Barker Center, Harvard University, featuring four distinguished Sinophone authors: Li Zishu (Malaysia), Lu Pin (Canada), Lin Zhao (mainland China), and Dorothy Tse (Hong Kong). The event provided a platform for these writers to share their perspectives on writing, gender, freedom of expression, and the complexities of Chinese languages.

Their discussions offered nuanced insights into the diverse experiences and challenges faced by Sinophone women writers across different regions. The conference attracted a diverse audience of scholars, students, and literary enthusiasts from across the New England area, reflecting the growing interest in Sinophone literature and women's voices within it. Moderated by Director David Der-wei Wang, Mingwei Song (Wellesley College), and Dingru Huang (Tufts University), the event fostered engaging dialogues that highlighted the intersections of literature, identity, and the Sinophone contexts.

g. On April 18–19, 2025, Harvard University hosted the international symposium “What is China? New Perspectives in New Eras,” gathering over twenty scholars from around the globe and more than 200 attendees for two days of engaging discussions and insightful exchanges. The event was co-sponsored by the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, the Harvard-Yenching Institute, and CCK-IUC. The symposium began with a keynote address by Professor Ge Zhaoguang of Fudan University, who underscored the necessity



Poster for “Peking Opera, Shanghai Style: From Mei Lanfang to Shi Yihong” Theater Workshop



Poster for “What is China? New Perspectives in New Eras” International Symposium

of rethinking the concept of “China” through historical consciousness. Professor Ge highlighted how history has become an especially contentious field in contemporary China, which is navigating increasingly unstable global conditions. Distinguished speakers included Professor Mark C. Elliott (Harvard University), Professor Ling-wei Kung (Academia Sinica), Professor Ronald C. Po (London School of Economics and Political Science), and Director David Der-wei Wang. Presentations and dialogues covered diverse disciplines—including history, literature, political science, media studies, and art history—demonstrating the multifaceted nature of China Studies. The symposium concluded with a lively roundtable moderated by Director Wang, fostering dynamic interactions among panelists and the audience. The high level of engagement throughout the symposium highlighted the pressing relevance of rethinking “What is China?” in our current era.

h. The 16th Annual Meeting of the Chinese Late Classical and Medieval Studies Workshop was held at Rutgers University on April 19, 2025. This workshop, started by Wendy Swartz and funded by CCK-IUC, is a major academic forum for the exchange of ideas and the advancement of scholarship. Distinguished scholars from across the United States working on medieval China have been meeting annually in this forum since 2003 to discuss their current research and ways to expand the field. Five scholars presented their works at the workshop on topics such as “Fair and Foul in Chinese Philosophy,” “Translating Time into Space: Mapping Language on to Objects,” and “Seven Roles of Authorship in Late Medieval Entombed Epitaphs.” Scholars examined these questions of authorship from the fields of philosophy, literature, religion, and history in a highly productive meeting.

(3) The Chinese University of Hong Kong—Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies (CCK-APC)

The Board of Directors approved the establishment of The Chinese University of Hong Kong—Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies (CCK-APC) in December 2005. Professor Billy So served as the Centre’s Director until his retirement in February 2011, when Professor David Faure succeeded him. Professor Faure’s term concluded at the end of 2014, and he was succeeded by Professor Chi Tim Lai of The Chinese University of Hong Kong’s (CUHK) Department of Religious and Cultural Studies in January 2015. The Centre operates under the supervision of a steering committee consisting of eleven scholars. Professor Ambrose King (former Vice-Chancellor, CUHK) recently completed his term as the chairperson of the Centre’s steering committee, with Professor Yuen-sang Leung (Dean, Faculty of Arts, CUHK) succeeding him as the new chairperson.

Through the years, the Centre has devoted unstinting efforts to promoting scholarly exchanges among Taiwanese, Chinese, and Hong Kong scholars. To further sharpen its focus, since 2014, the Centre has concentrated on organizing programs such as the Young Scholars’ Visiting Scheme, the Graduate Seminar on Modern and Contemporary China, and the Young Scholars’ Forum in Chinese Studies; these three events allow the next generation of academic elites to present their recent results.

A. The Seventeenth Graduate Seminar on Modern and Contemporary China (GSOC 2025)

The Seventeenth Graduate Seminar on Modern and Contemporary China, co-organized by CCK-APC, the Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS), and the Centre for China Studies (CCS), was held on February 17–18, 2025. The theme was “State-Business Relations in China,” and a total of 26 young scholars participated.

To further encourage academic exchange, Professor Kjeld Erik Brødsgaard of Copenhagen Business School, Professor Jie Chen of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Professor Shu Keng of Zhejiang University, and Professor Henry Wai-chung Yeung of The Chinese University of Hong Kong were invited to deliver keynote speeches. The four senior scholars brought with them a wealth of experience in academic research and professional development. Young scholars actively engaged in the dialogue, asking questions and contributing to a dynamic and stimulating exchange.

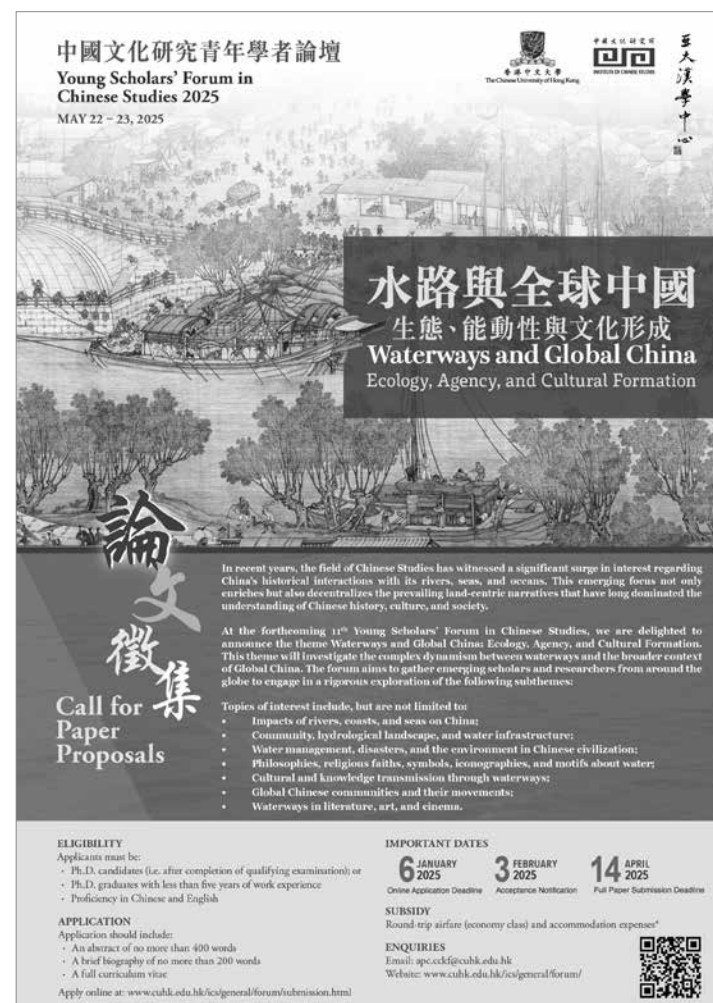
In addition to the paper presentations, Dr. Miriam Seeger, Librarian of the Universities Service Centre for China Studies Collection at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, led participants on a guided tour of the USC Collection. With the support of Dr. Zaijun Yuan, Editor at The Chinese University of Hong Kong Press (CUHK Press), participants were also given a special introduction to *The China Review*, a multidisciplinary journal on China Studies published by CUHK Press since 1990. Both the library tour and the journal introduction provided diverse materials and perspectives that deepened participants’ understanding of the field.

B. The Young Scholars’ Forum in Chinese Studies 2025

The Young Scholars’ Forum in Chinese Studies 2025, co-organized by CCK-APC and ICS, was held on May 22–23, 2025. The theme was “Waterways and Global China: Ecology, Agency, and Cultural Formation.” PhD candidates who have completed their qualifying examinations or PhD graduates with less than five years of work experience were invited to present their recent research output on how the advancement and application of digital



Poster for “The Seventeenth Graduate Seminar on Modern and Contemporary China (GSOC 2025)”



Poster for "The Young Scholars' Forum in Chinese Studies 2025"

Professor Ronald Po of the London School of Economics and Political Science, a visiting scholar under the 2021 Young Scholars Visiting Scheme, completed his visit from July 2 to September 16, 2024. His research interests include maritime history, Sino-British relations, and the history of cartography. During his visit, he delivered a public lecture on September 9, 2024, titled "The Unnamed Cartographers and Maritime China in the Long Eighteenth Century."

In 2024, the Center originally planned to host Professor Lang Wang of the Beijing Institute of Technology, Professor Jinchao Zhao of Tongji University, and Professor Chenshu Zhou of the University of Pennsylvania. However, due to unforeseen circumstances, Professor Wang was unable to visit. His place was filled by Dr. Luman Ren, a postdoctoral fellow at the Australian Centre on China in the World, Australian National University.

To welcome the visiting scholars as well as to provide an opportunity for them to meet and interact with faculty

technology is transforming the various sub-fields of Chinese Studies and informing new research avenues into China's past and present. The Forum has admitted a total of 26 young scholars.

C. Young Scholars' Visiting Scheme

The Young Scholars Visiting Scheme was launched in 2018 to support young scholars who wish to visit The Chinese University of Hong Kong in order to undertake research in Chinese Studies. Since this program's inauguration, the CCK-APC has successfully supported eighteen young scholars, who are encouraged to attend departmental academic activities such as public lectures, seminars, and conferences while at CUHK. Upon completion of their visits, they are required to submit a written report listing their research results and the activities they participated in during their visits. In addition, they should submit a research paper for publication within a year following their visit.

members, a Visiting Scholars Reception was co-organized with ICS on January 17, 2025. Two of the visiting scholars under the Young Scholars Visiting Scheme 2024, Dr. Luman Ren and Professor Chenshu Zhou, together with other visiting scholars under various ICS visiting schemes, were invited to join the reception. Around 30 faculty members from various departments in the Faculty of Arts joined the reception at the ICS Courtyard.

The new round of applications for the Young Scholars Visiting Scheme 2025 will host three young scholars, including Professor Tuo Chen of the Faculty of History, Nankai University, Professor Fan Zhang of the Newcomb Art Department and Asian Studies Program, Tulane University, and Professor Jeehey Kim of the School of Art, University of Arizona. They are expected to conduct their visits to CUHK between January and April 2026.

(4) European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan—A CCK Foundation Overseas Center (CCKF-ERCCT) at the University of Tübingen

Established in July 2014, CCKF-ERCCT at the University of Tübingen is the Foundation's newest overseas Center. The main purpose of CCKF-ERCCT is to serve as an international academic cooperation platform for European scholars, doctoral candidates, and postdoctoral researchers focusing on contemporary Taiwan Studies. The Center has gained widespread acclaim and has become one of the most influential academic institutions in Taiwan Studies. Through a series of academic exchanges and research initiatives, the Center not only focuses on the academic field of contemporary Taiwan Studies but also strives to deepen dialogue and cooperation with other social science research institutions in Europe and Taiwan. The Center is currently headed by Professor Gunter Schubert from the Department of Chinese Studies at the Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, University of Tübingen. During the past year, it has sponsored the following events:

A. Visiting Scholars Program

CCKF-ERCCT invites renowned and established scholars from both Taiwanese and European academic institutions. During their stays in Tübingen, the guests typically give one or two public talks on their latest research and take part in the Center's weekly Taiwan colloquium.

From July 2024 to April 2025, the CCKF-ERCCT hosted six scholars: Professor Yu-ling Huang of the Department of Humanities and Social Medicine at National Cheng Kung University; Professor Yen-fen Tseng of the Department of Sociology, National Taiwan University; Dr. Qing Di, a self-funded independent scholar; Professor Lu-chung Weng of the Department of Political Science, Sam Houston State University; Professor Hsiao-chuan Hsia of the Graduate Institute of Social Work, National Chengchi University; and Professor James Lee of the Institute of European and American Studies, Academia Sinica.

B. Visiting Fellows Program

The CCKF-ERCCT hosts a Visiting Fellows Program to enable young scholars at the PhD or postdoctoral levels to visit the Center for one month, present their research in detail, partake in the Center's activities, and



Professor Gunter Schubert (second from left, front row) and visiting scholars at CCKF-ERCCT

experience academic life in Tübingen.

From July 2024 to April 2025, the CCKF-ERCCT hosted five young scholars: Ms. Ya-yin Lin, PhD candidate of the Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies, National Chengchi University; Dr. Yu-hsuan Lai of the Graduate Institute of International Politics, National Chung Hsing University; Dr. Anne-chie Wang of the Institute of Health Behaviors and Community Sciences, National Taiwan University; Dr. Zhi-jun Yan, postdoctoral fellow of the iSchool at Feng Chia University; and Mr. Fujun Wang, PhD candidate of the Graduate Institute for Taiwan Studies, Xiamen University.

C. Short-Term Resident Fellows Program

CCKF-ERCCT also hosts a Short-Term Resident Fellows Program, under which the Center invites up to two PhD students or postdoctoral fellows from Europe and Taiwan each semester to conduct research at CCKF-ERCCT for a period of between three months and one year. Successful applicants are granted a monthly stipend of €350 and a one-time travel grant of €500. During the 2024–2025 term, the Center hosted two junior scholars: Dr. Chia-yu Liang of the Department of International Relations, University of Sussex, and Dr. Alexandre Gandil from the Joint Research Unit D2iA (Dynamiques, Interactions, Interculturalités Asiatiques), Bordeaux Montaigne University.

D. Taiwan Europe Connectivity Workshop

The Third Taiwan Europe Connectivity Workshop was held on July 8–12, 2024. It brought together thirteen

young Taiwan scholars based in Europe and Taiwan, as well as visiting fellows and scholars at the ERCCT. The workshop was organized into five panels. In addition to participants' presentations, the workshop also featured Director Professor Gunter Schubert's introduction to the objectives and programs of the ERCCT in the afternoon of the first day. The workshop concluded with a group discussion on "Political Polarization in Taiwan," which fostered a lively and insightful exchange of ideas.

E. The 18th Taiwan Documentary Film Festival

CCKF-ERCCT hosted the 18th Taiwan Documentary Film Festival (TDFF) on December 13-14, 2024, at the local movie theater, Kino Atelier. Renowned Taiwanese documentary filmmaker Tsung-lung Tsai was invited to present a selection of his works highlighting the experiences of migrant workers in Taiwan.

After welcoming remarks by Professor Gunter Schubert and by Ms. Yi-ping Chiang, First Secretary of the Taipei Representative Office in Munich, the program on Friday, December 13 featured:

- See You, Loveable Strangers* (再見可愛的陌生人), 2016
- A contextualizing lecture on the documentary *And Miles to Go Before I Sleep*, by Dr. Isabel Cockel of the School of Area Studies, History, Politics and Literature, University of Portsmouth
- And Miles to Go Before I Sleep* (九槍), 2022
- Discussion with the director
- The Abandoned* (查無此心), 2022, a feature film by Ying-ting Tseng

On Saturday, December 14, the festival continued with the following documentaries:

- Out/Marriage* (失婚記), 2012
- A Different Journey Home* (尋鄉異旅), 2018
- Who Cares* (長照喘息聲), 2021

The festival concluded with a second discussion with director Tsung-lung Tsai.

F. Other Activities

- Film Screening: *BIG* by Te-sheng Wei

On June 26, 2024, acclaimed Taiwanese film director Te-sheng Wei visited Tübingen and presented his new feature film *BIG* at the local movie theatre Kino Museum. *BIG* is an emotional



Poster for "The 18th Taiwan Documentary Film Festival"



Director Te-sheng Wei (center, second row), Professor Gunter Schubert (third from right, second row), and participants at the film screening

story of six families, whose children are battling cancer, coming together in a hospital ward. Following the screening, Director Wei participated in a lively discussion with the audience about the storyline and themes of the film.

b. International Workshop: Strategizing Economic Security in Times of De-risking: Mapping the Behaviour of Taiwan's High-tech Industries and the Interaction between the Corporate Sector and the State

Between December 10–14, 2024, CCKF-ERCCT hosted a workshop on the theme “Strategizing Economic Security in Times of De-risking: Mapping the Behaviour of Taiwan's High-tech Industries and the Interaction between the Corporate Sector and the State” at the University of Tübingen. This event brought together leading scholars and experts to address Taiwan's economic security challenges, with a particular focus on its semiconductor and AI-related industries amid shifting global supply chains and intensifying geopolitical tensions. Dr. Suang-jing Pong, Director of the Science and Technology Division of the Taipei Representative Office in Germany, also joined the workshop.

IV. General Affairs

After sixteen years of planning, the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park was finally unveiled to the people of Taiwan and the international community on January 22, 2022. Since the Park's opening, it has received widespread acclaim for its spatial layout, architectural design, and its exhibitions on the life of Chiang Ching-

kuo. The Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park is an important platform to showcase Taiwan's modernization and connect Taiwan to the world.

During the initial planning of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, the Foundation was inspired by Chiang Ching-kuo's indelible contribution to the development and modernization of Taiwan. During those critical years, thanks to his outstanding leadership, Taiwan successfully transformed its economy and moved from martial law and authoritarianism to democracy and openness, establishing the model of the “Taiwan experience.” The Foundation participated in the planning, funding, and construction of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park with the purpose of commemorating Chiang Ching-kuo and his important historical contributions, preserving Taiwan's historical and cultural assets, and providing a first-class cultural and leisure space in Taipei City. The Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park focuses on the preservation of the historical site of the Chi-Hai Residence, academic research, community education, and cultural exchange. The Foundation looks forward to developing and promoting this important historical and cultural asset in the future.

1. Operation of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park

(1) Property Management and Landscape Maintenance

The Foundation and the Chinese Christian Faith and Love Foundation have entrusted Yellowstone Service Co., Ltd. to oversee the operations of the Park. Its responsibilities include managing ticket sales, visitor services, Park cleaning, security, maintenance, and electrical and mechanical upkeep. This partnership ensures a high standard and quality of service for all Park visitors. In addition, Yellowstone Service Co., Ltd. provides support for Park activities.

For maintenance of the grounds, Yi-hsiang Landscaping Co., Ltd. was commissioned to regularly perform tasks such as pruning, fertilizing, pest control, and replanting in order to maintain the beautiful and serene environment of the Park. On July 24, 2024, Typhoon Gaemi caused a banyan tree with protected tree number 1765 at the Chi-Hai Residence to fall. This tree had already been delisted due to severe infection with brown root rot. Consequently, the Foundation commissioned Guangrong Greening Co., Ltd. to carry out the cleanup of the fallen tree and implement brown root rot prevention measures. In February 2025, following the expiration of the contract with Yi-hsiang Landscaping Co., Ltd., the Foundation commissioned Cheng Tai Construction Co., Ltd. to carry out ground maintenance.

(2) Venue Rental

To maximize the use of Park spaces, enhance the library's functionality, and boost revenue, the Foundation has designated several high-quality spaces for rent. Organizers can host their events in these elegant spaces and choose to complement them with on-site catering services or bring in their own catering. Organizers can also request guided tours to enrich the overall experience. Venues available for rent in the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential



Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library

Library include the first-floor Lobby, Atrium Stage, Special Collection Room, Meeting Room, and Multimedia Auditorium, the second-floor Multi-functional Meeting Room and Reading Hall, and the third-floor east-side Sky Garden. Venues available for rent in the Visitor Center include the basement, the second-floor Wave Restaurant multifunctional dining space, and the third-floor Sky Garden. These venues can be used for events such as meetings, seminars, lectures, book launches, and cultural and art exhibitions. Venues may not be used for religious, political, or inappropriate commercial activities.

Since its opening, the Park's venues have become increasingly popular and are now the preferred choice for various events, including public welfare, academic, cultural, artistic, and commercial activities. Events held at the Park's venues include a Ching Chung Guard Association reception and new book launch, a Van Cleef & Arpels jewelry exhibition, the ceremony for Academician Cho-yun Hsu's donation of his Tang Prize award and the establishment of the "Hsu-Sun Scholarship," the 105th anniversary celebration of the Benevolence Society, a Princeton University Alumni Association of Taiwan meeting, a MONCLER fashion show, new book launches by Commonwealth Publishing and Linking Publishing, and the 2025 Asia-Pacific Research Forum dinner and seminar hosted by the



President Chun-i Chen (third from right) with volunteers at the 2024 volunteer meeting

International Law Association and the American Society of International Law. These events have helped boost the visibility of the Park.

(3) Volunteer Engagement and Service

The Foundation currently has 140 volunteers assisting with various visitor services and guided tours in the Park. To expand the volunteer workforce, a fifth round of volunteer recruitment was conducted in June 2025. After the first stage of written screening and interviews, 25 individuals began their probationary duties in July. From July 2024 to June 2025, a total of 6,063 volunteer shifts were completed, amounting to 24,252 hours of service.

To express our gratitude for the service and dedication of our volunteers, in addition to giving gifts during important holidays, the Foundation also aims to enhance their professional skills and strengthen team cohesion. The Foundation organized the 2024 volunteer meeting and in-service training on November 25, 2024, inviting the Director of the Social Work Office at Taipei Veterans General Hospital, Hsin-hsieh Wen, to give a talk on "Service Etiquette and Communication Skills." The 2025 volunteer leadership elections took place on the same day, resulting

in the successful appointment of the head and deputy head of the volunteer team and the head of the guided tour group. The position of head of the visitor service group remains vacant and is currently being covered by the deputy head of the volunteer team.

Volunteer get-togethers were held on August 26 and December 23, 2024, and March 17 and June 19, 2025. The second cultural excursion for volunteers took place on September 19, 2024, featuring a visit to the Open Lab Multimedia Center of the National Central Library. A total of 29 volunteers participated in the excursion. Additionally, in the 2024 volunteer service performance evaluation, 42 volunteers each contributed over 160 service hours and passed the performance evaluation, earning the Outstanding Service Award. Furthermore, 14 volunteers contributed more than 300 service hours and achieved excellent performance evaluation results, earning the Distinguished Service Award. The Foundation also supported 22 outstanding volunteers to apply for the Taipei City Volunteer Service Award, 1 volunteer to apply for the Taipei City Outstanding Senior Volunteer Award, and 3 volunteers to apply for the Ministry of Health and Welfare Volunteer Award Silver Medal.

(4) Marketing and Promotion

To increase visitor numbers and boost the Park's tourism impact, comprehensive information is available on the official website, which has received over 260,000 visits since the Park's opening. In addition to domestic tourists, visitors come from the United States, Hong Kong, mainland China, Japan, Singapore, Canada, and beyond. The Park has also gained positive exposure through bloggers, YouTubers, and social media check-ins on platforms such as Facebook and Instagram, helping to raise its profile.

The Foundation has negotiated with major domestic travel agencies to arrange discounted tour packages for group tours and distributed promotional brochures to nearby hotels. Additionally, the Park has proactively reached out to nearby hotels to explore the possibility of promoting special accommodation packages. At the same time, the Taipei City Government has been asked to help distribute information to village and neighborhood offices, schools, and social welfare organizations across the country, promoting the Park's discounted visit options, school field trip options, and a free admission scheme. A total of 50 groups, comprising 3,385 people, visited the Park between July 2024 and June 2025 as part of the city tours and senior leisure activities organized by the Taipei City Government's Department of Information and Tourism.

In addition to collaborating with the Tourism Bureau of the Ministry of Transportation and Communications and the Taipei City Department of Information and Tourism to include the Park in travel promotions, travel resources, and domestic travel subsidy schemes, the Park has also partnered with Fontrip to join the Taipei FunPass-Unlimited Pass program. Both domestic and international visitors can use the Unlimited Pass to enter and explore the Park.

(5) Public Outreach

In fulfilling our social responsibility and enhancing the reputation and public image of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai

Cultural Park, the Foundation has organized various public outreach activities and a free admission scheme to cater to the needs of diverse communities.

The free admission scheme offers free entry to children from remote areas and charitable organizations. On June 28, 2025, the Life Vitality Association specially arranged a visit for members with mobility challenges, with seventeen handcycles accompanied by volunteers and family members entering the Park to experience its attractions. The Park has carefully designed accessible pathways and provided dedicated guides and support to ensure all visitors can enjoy the Park's attractions. The participants enjoyed the lakeside trail, taking in the natural scenery and exhibits. The visit was an enriching experience that showcased the Park's accessible services and spaces.

The Foundation has also utilized limited resources to install public service advertising light boxes at Taipei Metro stations to promote the Park. Since July 2024, light box ads have been installed at 21 Taipei Metro stations, including Taipei Main Station, Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall Station, and Gongguan Station. These ads have successfully boosted the profile of the Park.

(6) Visitor Services

Following the official opening of the Park to the public, 22 guided tours of the Chi-Hai Residence are scheduled each day, with 15 people per tour, all led by volunteer guides. Additionally, there are 5 scheduled tours of the exhibition halls each day. Between June 2024 and June 2025, there were a total of 3,505 tours (including 1,210 tours of the exhibition halls and 2,295 tours of the residence), with a total of 32,972 participants.

Between July 2024 and June 2025, there were a total of 160 group tours, with a total of 8,157 participants, with 5 tours conducted in English. A specially designed field trip program offers discounts for accompanying teachers, encouraging teachers to bring students to the Park for field trips. Educational institutions such as Junior High Division of Taipei Municipal Dazhi High School, National Taiwan University, and Fu Hsing Kang College have visited the Park. Guided by volunteer tour guides using wireless tour guide systems, the tours are adapted to meet each group's needs. For groups with hearing-impaired members, the volunteer tour guides could collaborate with the groups' sign language interpreters to ensure an inclusive tour experience.

In addition to our existing regular and group tours in Chinese, we are also planning to offer tours in English and Japanese. Additionally, we are acquiring personalized multimedia guide devices that support multiple languages for visitors to borrow. The Foundation greatly values feedback from visitors. Dedicated staff members respond to the feedback, and each week, compile and categorize the issues and responses. This information serves as a reference for future Park services and training. Between October 8 and 20, 2024, a visitor satisfaction survey was conducted targeting visitors who purchased admission tickets. Out of 430 questionnaires distributed, 384 valid responses were received. The survey covered topics such as the overall environment and facilities, exhibition content, staff service, visitor satisfaction after the visit, and basic demographic information. Results showed that



Visitors at the First Exhibition Hall

over 90% of respondents were satisfied with their experience at the Park.

Cultural and creative products at the gift shop primarily focus on artifacts related to Chiang Ching-kuo's life, complemented by the Park's architecture, environment, and ecology. These elements are gradually being developed into unique products that reflect the Park's distinctive character. The Park currently offers exclusive umbrellas, postcards, keychains, face masks, and canvas bags. Additionally, there are notebooks, bookmarks, and folders featuring designs inspired by Chiang Ching-kuo's paintings, as well as elegant ink products bearing his motto. In June 2025, the Park commissioned Kobayashi Fried Cookies to create custom "Chi-Hai Fried Cookies" gift boxes, designed with tiles symbolizing wealth and good fortune and embossed with images and logos of the Park's architecture.

(7) Construction Projects and Exhibition Enhancement Work

Some outstanding issues remained after the completion of the Park's construction. Following multiple discussions, LiJin Engineering Co., Ltd. carried out repairs to the walkways, outdoor driveway walls, and the rooftop structure above the Reading Room during the Park's closure from November 1 to December 31, 2024. Additionally, due to a leakage issue with Chi-Hai Lake, after consulting with architect Philip T. C. Fei and holding several discussions with hydraulic engineers, the Ruentex Group was commissioned at the end of 2024



The Second Exhibition Hall

to carry out dredging works and landscape improvements. Following repairs, the longstanding water leakage issues have been resolved. Additional eco-filtration ponds were constructed on the western and northern sides of Chi-Hai Lake, utilizing cascading stone terraces to enhance aeration and dissolved oxygen levels. This allows naturally purified water to recirculate, improving the lake's overall water quality. Drainage systems were upgraded to allow healthier growth of trees and ground cover plants. In June 2025, cracks in the concrete rooftop structure above the Reading Room caused by an earthquake were repaired with aluminum panel cladding. Through comprehensive landscape planning and greening efforts, the Park achieves a harmonious integration of nature, culture, architecture, and ecological design.

Renovations to the exhibition halls were completed on January 1, 2025, offering a more engaging and visitor-friendly experience. For "Leadership of Chiang Ching-kuo" in the First Exhibition Hall, the original six flat touchscreens have been reduced to four and angled upward by 25 degrees. Four new explanatory panels featuring data charts have also been added to complement the screens. These updates are designed to better highlight the theme of Chiang Ching-kuo's leadership and deepen visitors' appreciation of his contributions to Taiwan.

For "Lifestyles in Taiwan Between the 1960s and 1980s" in the Second Exhibition Hall, the immersive audiovisual presentation has been changed to a single-sided display. The photo transition speed and special



Fire inspection and training at the Chi-Hai Residence

effects have been toned down to create a gentler visual experience, enabling visitors to sit back and enjoy the film at a leisurely pace. At the entrance to the “Painting and Calligraphy by Chiang Ching-kuo” area, a new “Letter Wall” has been added, showcasing letters written by Chiang Ching-kuo to his parents, wife and children, foreign heads of state, colleagues, border officers, and the public. A large display panel featuring text has been added alongside Chiang Ching-kuo’s paintings and photos with artists. The display cases feature brushes, inkstones, paperweights, sketches, and seals belonging to Chiang Ching-kuo. The exhibit also includes cultural and creative products inspired by his artwork, as well as a large picture of Chiang Ching-kuo painting, offering visitors a great photo opportunity.

2. Preservation of the Chi-Hai Residence

In 2006, the Taipei City Government designated the Chi-Hai Residence as a municipal heritage site. The Foundation adheres to heritage preservation regulations to manage and maintain the property. The Foundation carries out regular daily inspections and record-keeping of the safety, changes in temperature and humidity, and performs routine maintenance of the gardens of the Chi-Hai Residence and its facilities in order to ensure the security of the Chi-Hai Residence and artifact storage facilities, the interior and exterior environments, the mechanical and electrical equipment, and the artifacts on display or in storage. The Foundation has also reviewed the security systems, installing new equipment and upgrading existing equipment.

In late 2024, internal repairs, equipment maintenance, deep cleaning, and artifact inventory of the Chi-Hai Residence, as well as maintenance of the courtyard landscaping, were carried out during the Park’s closure for the Chi-Hai Lake works. The Chi-Hai Residence re-opened to the public on January 1, 2025. The red carpet along the Chi-Hai Residence visitor route had become worn and faded over time. In April 2025, the Foundation reinforced the flooring and laid down a new red carpet to ensure a high-quality experience for visitors.

On May 19, 2025, the Dazhi Fire Station conducted annual historic site fire inspection and training at the Chi-Hai Residence. The exercise focused on the building’s structure, interior layout, locations of significant cultural assets, prioritized protection for the most valuable artifacts, emergency contacts, and evacuation routes for visitors to enhance heritage preservation and disaster response strategies.

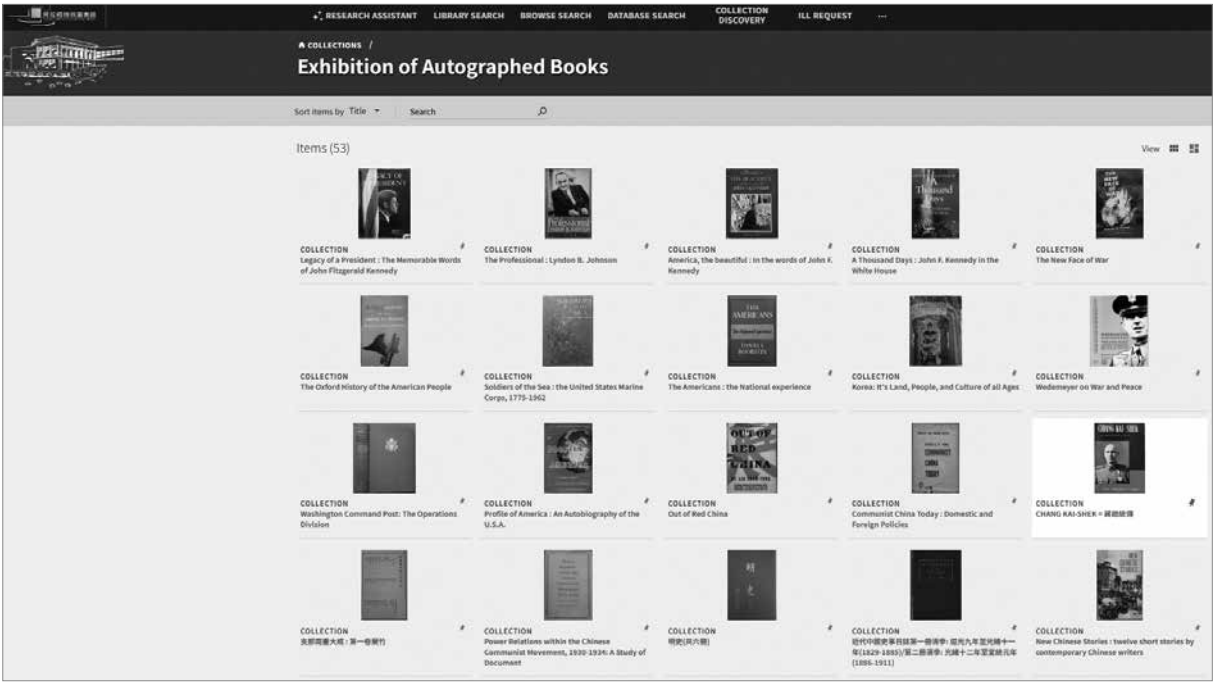
3. Planning of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library’s Collections

The Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library is a digital library dedicated to the collection, display, and research of archives, artifacts, and documents related to Chiang Ching-kuo’s public service. The library also houses materials and books related to Chinese culture, humanities, and social sciences, and features publications and digitization projects in Chinese studies that were supported by the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation.

Scholars and PhD and master’s degree students working in the humanities or social sciences at Taiwanese or overseas academic institutions are eligible for membership. There are currently 137 members (29 reading passes and 108 VIP passes). Members can use the library’s resources remotely through the library portal or access the library’s collections and facilities with their library card.

The library has a collection of over 3,000 books and periodicals in Chinese and foreign languages, 4,587 digital resources, and 191 electronic databases. All materials are available for users to browse and search through the library’s automated system. In addition, the Foundation’s “Chiang Ching-kuo Digital Archive” contains 66,893 items. The reference service area currently displays the Exhibition of Historical Materials of General Hu Tsung-nan and Collection of Signed Books. The library portal showcases four themes from the library’s collections: the Exhibition of Historical Materials of General Hu Tsung-nan, the Collection of Signed Books, Selected Photographs of Chiang Ching-kuo, and Excerpts from Chiang Ching-kuo’s Diaries. The themes Historical Materials Donated by Weng Chia-yi, Selected Photographs of Chiang Ching-kuo with Children, and Soong Mei-ling’s Family Letters were also added, providing readers with a deeper understanding of these valuable historical materials.

The second-floor storage room has been completed. The room is kept at a constant temperature and humidity, equipped with 24-hour air conditioning, surveillance cameras, security access control, and a fire detection system. The archival storage environment is strictly controlled, with regular checks on cleanliness, low ultraviolet light



Digital Collections of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library

exposure, low illumination, and temperature and humidity levels. Artifact storage and management are planned in accordance with the Foundation’s “Artifact Collection Management Guidelines.” On December 27, 2024, 31 boxes of artifacts temporarily stored at the Archives of the Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, were returned. In the future, this space will not only store files and artifacts related to Chiang Ching-kuo but also collect important manuscripts and documents associated with notable figures of his era.

4. Patrons of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park and Friends of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library

In order to ensure the effective management and outstanding service quality of the Chi-Hai Residence and the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, and help the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library fulfill its mission as a site for research, education, exhibitions, and international scholarly exchange, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation invites corporations that have stellar global reputations and are representative of Taiwan’s economic strength and innovation capabilities, or outstanding entrepreneurs and professionals who are dedicated to public welfare and align with the Park’s mission, to become Eminent Patrons and Patrons of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, or Friends of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library. By doing so, they will help share some of the operational costs and collectively contribute to establishing a new cultural landmark in Taipei. Eminent Patrons, Patrons of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, and Friends of the Library can offset the costs of tickets and venue rentals against their annual contributions and have the option to reserve the entire Park for a day. They

receive top-tier hospitality when visiting the Park, including assistance with organizing meals, social gatherings, or public relations events. Many entrepreneurs are moved by Chiang Ching-kuo’s contributions to Taiwan’s economic prosperity and are impressed by our dedication and perseverance in managing the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park and establishing the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library. Recognizing the Park’s historical, cultural, and international significance, they are eager to join us in our efforts. The Foundation’s current patrons include Hon Hai Technology Group, Delta Electronics Foundation, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, and Pegatron Corporation. Friends of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library include Jeffrey D. Schwarz, Benny Hu, Yu-lon Chiao, Shui-shu Hung, Chi-kao Hsu, and Chi-hsiung Hsu.

In addition to expressing our gratitude to the entrepreneurs who are currently serving as Eminent Patrons, Patrons of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, and Friends of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library for their generosity, the Foundation hopes that more entrepreneurs will join us in supporting the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park and the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library.

5. Contract Performance Management

In collaboration with the Chinese Christian Faith and Love Foundation, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation has remained committed to the preservation and effective utilization of Taiwan’s historical and cultural assets. Furthermore, we aim to increase the understanding of both domestic and international audiences regarding the modernization experience of the Republic of China and the political career of Chiang Ching-kuo. On July 16, 2012, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation submitted the plans to the Taipei City Government. Subsequently, on April 11, 2014, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation and the Chinese Christian Faith and Love Foundation signed an agreement with the Taipei City Government to develop and operate the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park for fifty years, with a twenty-year priority renewal right.

The Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park was officially opened to the public on January 23, 2022. After the Park’s opening, the Taipei City Government has regularly conducted inspections. On January 9, 2025, the Department of Finance and the Department of Cultural Affairs, together with other relevant agencies, held a meeting to understand the compliance and current operations of the Park.

The Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation and the Chinese Christian Faith and Love Foundation regularly conduct public safety inspections of buildings, elevator equipment checks, fire safety inspections, and electrical equipment certifications and reports. Notification systems have also been established with nearby fire departments, medical facilities, public safety agencies, and police stations. The Park conducted biannual fire drills on November 4, 2024, and April 14, 2025. With regard to insurance cover for buildings and facilities, the Foundation annually arranges comprehensive property insurance, fire insurance, earthquake insurance, typhoon insurance, flood insurance, public liability insurance, employer’s liability insurance, and business interruption insurance as stipulated in the agreement.



Participants in the Performance Review Meeting

In 2024, the Taipei City Department of Cultural Affairs commissioned a professional team to film notable historic residences. The film was completed in January 2025 and is now available for public viewing on the department's website, serving both educational and promotional functions.

The Bureau of Cultural Heritage, Ministry of Culture, is currently developing the Yen Chia-kan Presidential Park. On September 12, 2024, Chen-yu Nien, Deputy Director of the Bureau of Cultural Heritage, along with colleagues from relevant departments and the Taipei City Department of Cultural Affairs, visited the Foundation to learn about the Park's management, funding, operational model, exhibition planning, artifact displays, and artifact loan procedures. Subsequently, on June 4, 2025, Director Chi-ming Chen led a follow-up meeting with relevant agencies and the Taipei City Department of Cultural Affairs to further discuss venue management and services as well as artifact loan arrangements.

As part of their preparations for an exhibition at the Culture Resort of the Chiangs, Director Po-yin Chou and Deputy Director Li-chuan Wang of the Department of Tourism of Taoyuan City, accompanied by colleagues from relevant departments, visited the Foundation on September 13, 2024, to gain insights into the Park's operations and artifact collection.

6. Academic Exchange Activities

(1) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Visits the National University of Singapore

Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited the National University of Singapore between July 27 and July 29, 2024, to gain a deeper understanding of local developments in Sinology. During his visit, he met with key institutions and scholars, including Chang Woei Ong, Head of the Department of Chinese Studies; Yan Yang, Deputy Director of the Wan Boo Sow Research Centre for Chinese Culture; Chuin Peng Sim, Deputy University Librarian; and Yung Mei Lin, Special Collection Librarian.

The National University of Singapore boasts a prestigious academic reputation and strategic location. Its Department of Chinese Studies specializes in traditional Chinese language study and Sinology, with a strong commitment to promoting Chinese cultural research. After careful consideration, the Foundation plans to establish the "CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies" to foster Sinology and overseas Chinese studies in Southeast Asia and Taiwan, and to support a wide range of academic exchanges. The Foundation chose to establish an overseas Sinology center at the National University of Singapore after considering the university's strategic position and academic strengths. The Foundation views it as an ideal hub to expand research on Chinese communities across Southeast Asia—including Malaysia, Vietnam, and Indonesia. This initiative builds on the Foundation's long-term commitment to Sinology in the Asia-Pacific and aims to provide better academic resources for scholars in the region. It also seeks to foster greater academic collaboration and exchange between Southeast Asia, Taiwan, and Western countries.



Dr. Chuin Peng Sim, President Chun-i Chen, and Mdm Yung Mei Lin (from left to right) at the NUS University Library

(2) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Visits Academic Institutions in the United States

Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited Sinology research institutions and scholars in the United States between August 5 and August 18, 2024, to gain insights into the latest developments in American Sinology research. During the visit, he exchanged views on how to establish a broader academic network that fosters knowledge preservation and sharing.

During the visit, meetings were held with key institutions and scholars, including Dongfang Shao, Chief of the Asia Division at the U.S. Library of Congress; Professor Eric Schluessel, Director of the Sigur Center for Asian Studies at George Washington University; Professor Tobie Meyer-Fong, member of the Foundation's American Region Review Committee and professor of history at Johns Hopkins University; Professor John Kieschnick, member of the Foundation's American Region Review Committee and professor at the Department of Religious Studies, Stanford University; Regan Murphy Kao, Director of the East Asia Library at Stanford University; Hsiao-ting Lin, curator of the Modern China and Taiwan collection at the Hoover Institution; Professor Wen-hsin Yeh, professor of History at the University of California, Berkeley; and Peter Zhou, Director of the East Asia Library at the University of California, Berkeley.

The Foundation has supported a collaboration among Harvard University, Princeton University, the U.S.



President Chun-i Chen and Director Eric Schluessel (left) of the Sigur Center for Asian Studies at George Washington University

Library of Congress, and the Fu Ssu-nien Library at Academia Sinica to digitize rare books, laying an important foundation for preserving and passing down these precious ancient texts. Moving forward, OCR technology will be used to enable full-text access to the digitized images, unlocking their full academic potential. The Foundation will continue to explore opportunities to collaborate with Stanford University and the University of California, Berkeley, on similar projects to expand the digitization of academic resources. It will also actively organize academic workshops to foster scholarly exchange and nurture talent, while deepening collaboration with the Hoover Institution Archives to improve resource sharing and advance research.

(3) Visit of Marianne Bastid-Bruguière, Member of the Institut de France

Professor Marianne Bastid-Bruguière, a member of the Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques of the Institut de France, was invited to Taiwan by the Ministry of Culture. On September 6, 2024, Foundation President Chun-i Chen hosted Professor Bastid-Bruguière's visit to the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park and the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library, followed by a luncheon in her honor. Also in attendance were Academician Yu-fa Chang, accompanied by his wife, Professor San-ching Chen, Professor Ko-wu Huang, Professor Miaw-fen Lu, and Professor Wen-tang Shiu from the Institute of Modern History at Academia Sinica, Professor Li-chuan Tai from the Institute of History and Philology at Academia Sinica, and Yi-shen Chen, President of Academia Historica.

Professor Bastid-Bruguière is a renowned expert on modern and contemporary Chinese history. When the Foundation was first established, she was serving as president of the European Association for Chinese Studies and played an active role in introducing the Foundation's awards and grants to European scholars, helping to advance Sinology research. She has also served as a member of the Foundation's European Fellowship Review Committee, helping to review fellowship applications. The Foundation greatly appreciates Professor Bastid-Bruguière's contributions.

(4) Visit of Professor You-tien Hsing of the Department of Geography at the University of California, Berkeley

On October 11, 2024, Professor You-tien Hsing of the Department of Geography at the University of California, Berkeley, visited the Foundation, accompanied by Professor Chung-min Tsai from the Department of Political Science at National Chengchi University, and was welcomed by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Professor Hsing's research covers China's political economy and urban and regional development, with a special focus on how power and space interact within political and economic processes.

Professor Hsing serves on the Foundation's American Region Review Committee, assisting with the review of applications from the region. During the visit, Foundation President Chun-i Chen and Professor Hsing had an in-depth discussion on the current trends and developments in Chinese Studies in the United States, exploring ways the Foundation can support Sinology research institutions and scholars in the region moving forward.

(5) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Visits France and Germany

Foundation President Chun-i Chen led a delegation to Paris, France, and Tübingen, Germany, between October 12 and October 21, 2024. During the trip, the delegation met with academic institutions and scholars to gain insights into the latest academic trends in Europe and discuss how to strengthen collaboration in Sinology and beyond.

To celebrate its centennial, the Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France hosted a two-day international symposium featuring lectures by prominent global scholars. Among the invited speakers was Professor Angela Ki Che Leung, the Foundation's policy advisor and member of the European Region Review Committee. In addition to attending Professor Angela Ki Che Leung's lecture at the centennial international symposium of the Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France in Paris, Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited other academic institutions and scholars, including Tan-ying Chou, lecturer at the Department of Chinese studies at Bordeaux Montaigne University; Professor Beatrice Zani from the French National Center for Scientific Research; Luiz Oosterbeek, President of the International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences, UNESCO; Professor Olga Spevak, member of the European Academy of Sciences; Thomas Römer, Administrator of the Collège de France; Marianne Bujard, Director of the Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France; Delphine Spicq,

Head of the Chinese Studies Library at the Collège de France; Pierre-Etienne Will, Professor at the Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France; Anne Cheng, Professor at the Centre d'Études Chinoises of the Collège de France; Anne Chatellier, Director of Libraries, Archives and Collections at the Collège de France; Professor Marianne Bastid-Bruguière, a member of the Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques of the Institut de France; Professor Stéphane Feuillas of Paris Cité University; Director Michel Hochmann and Professor Vincent Goossaert of the École Pratique des Hautes Études; Professor Zhe Ji, Head of the Chinese Studies Department at the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales; Professor Chan-yueh Liu of the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales; Rainer Maria Kiesow, Vice President of the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales; Nicolas Fiévé, Director of the École Française d'Extrême-Orient; Karla Pollmann, President of the University of Tübingen; Monique Scheer, Vice President of the University of Tübingen; and Professor Gunter Schubert of the University of Tübingen. Additionally, Foundation President Chun-i Chen met with Ambassador Pei-chih Hao of the Taipei Representative Office in France and Ching-fang Hu, Director of the Centre Culturel de Taïwan à Paris.

Foundation President Chun-i Chen and Professor Angela Ki Che Leung led a delegation to the University of Tübingen and the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan between October 18 and 20, 2024, and were received by University President Karla Pollmann and Vice President Monique Scheer. In the presence of Professor Gunter Schubert, Professor Angela Ki Che Leung, and others, Foundation President Chun-i Chen and University President Pollmann signed a memorandum of understanding, reaffirming the Foundation's commitment to continue supporting the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan. After the signing, Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited the Center's office to learn about the staff's daily work environment and engaged in discussions with Professor Leung, Professor Schubert, and other scholars about the landscape of academic funding in Taiwan and Germany.

Both France and Germany have strong traditions in Sinology and currently maintain a relatively friendly stance toward Taiwan. Scholars generally appreciate and respect the Foundation's commitment to academic neutrality and research freedom. The Foundation should strengthen its cooperation and exchange in Sinology research with these two countries and continue to play a leading role in promoting Sinology. In addition to discussing the concept of establishing an integrated Sinology research data platform, the trip also provided insights into the needs of key academic institutions and potential models for future collaboration, all of which offer valuable directions for the Foundation's future efforts.

(6) Visit from Director Chi Tim Lai of The Chinese University of Hong Kong –Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies

On November 1, 2024, Director Chi Tim Lai, Associate Director Michelle Jia Ye, and Secretary Lea Lai from the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies at The Chinese University of Hong Kong visited the Foundation and were received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. The Foundation's collaboration



President Chun-i Chen and Director Nicolas Fiévé (right) at École Française d'Extrême-Orient



President Chun-i Chen and President Karla Pollmann (left) at CCKF-ERCCT

with the Centre is set to conclude at the end of 2025. Director Lai briefed Foundation President Chun-i Chen on the Centre's programs, including the "Young Scholars' Forum in Chinese Studies," the "Graduate Seminar on China," and the "Young Scholars Visiting Program." These initiatives have involved nearly 900 participants and have been highly effective in promoting international exchange among young scholars. Foundation President Chun-i Chen praised the Centre's accomplishments and reaffirmed the Foundation's ongoing support. He also suggested that the Centre focus primarily on scholars from Northeast Asia, Taiwan, as well as mainland China, Hong Kong, and Macau, and ensure a balanced regional representation when selecting participants for future sessions of the "Young Scholars' Forum in Chinese Studies." The Centre should also strengthen its "Visiting Scholars Program" by involving senior scholars to energize the local academic scene. Additionally, it might consider introducing a "Young Scholars Workshop" to promote cross-disciplinary and international cooperation among scholars of different generations.

(7) Visit from Professor Tokujin Matsudaira of the Faculty of Law, Kanagawa University, Japan

Professor Tokujin Matsudaira of the Faculty of Law at Kanagawa University, Japan, visited the Foundation on February 13, 2025, and was received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Professor Matsudaira is an expert in comparative constitutional law, with research interests focusing on constitutional development in East Asia, international law, and the global order. Foundation President Chun-i Chen sought Professor Matsudaira's insights on current trends in Sinology research in Japan and discussed how the Foundation might better engage Japanese scholars and support their research funding needs. Professor Matsudaira offered the Foundation advice based on his observations of academic exchanges between Taiwan and Japan in the humanities and social sciences.

(8) Visit from Professor Benjamin Penny of the School of Culture, History and Language at the Australian National University

Professor Benjamin Penny from the School of Culture, History and Language at the Australian National University visited the Foundation on February 19, 2025, and was received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Professor Penny was a student of the renowned Sinologist Professor Liu Ts'un-yan and specializes in the study of Daoism. During his visit, Professor Penny expressed appreciation for the Foundation's past support of his research projects and inquired about available funding opportunities for Australian Sinology researchers following the Foundation's suspension of awards and grants in the Asia-Pacific region. Foundation President Chun-i Chen explained to Professor Penny that although the Foundation has ceased its awards and grants in the Asia-Pacific region, the "CUHK–Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Asia-Pacific Centre for Chinese Studies" established at The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the "CCKF–NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies" launched in collaboration with the National University of Singapore this September will continue to organize seminars, lectures, and other events, connecting Sinology researchers and academic communities across the Asia-Pacific region, including scholars from Australia. Professor Penny noted that while the Sinology research community in Australia is small, its members are highly skilled and their research is well-regarded. He expressed hope that the Foundation will continue to support their development.



President Chun-i Chen and Professor Benjamin Penny (left) at the Foundation

(9) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Visits Academic Institutions in Japan

Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited Japan from March 20 to March 24, 2025. During his visit, he met with Yoko Kato, a scholar of modern Japanese history at the University of Tokyo; Professor Hiromichi Matsuda, a public law scholar at the International Christian University; and Professor Tsuyoshi Ishii, Director of the East Asian Academy for New Liberal Arts at the University of Tokyo. The three scholars offered insights into the current landscape and challenges of Chinese Studies in Japan from the perspectives of history, law, and the history of ideas, and proposed several practical suggestions for collaboration. Foundation President Chun-i



Professor Tokujin Matsudaira, President Chun-i Chen, and Director Tsuyoshi Ishii (from left to right) at the University of Tokyo



President Chun-i Chen, Rector Milena Králíčková, and Dean Eva Lehečková (from left to right) at the Charles University

Chen expressed his gratitude for the warm reception and valuable suggestions from the three scholars, and invited them to visit the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park in the future.

(10) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Attends a Meeting of the European Fellowship Review Committee in the Czech Republic and Visits Academic Institutions in the United Kingdom and the Czech Republic

Foundation President Chun-i Chen traveled to the Czech Republic to attend a meeting of the European Fellowship Review Committee. Prior to the meeting, he also took the opportunity to visit Sinology and Taiwan Studies research institutions in the United Kingdom between April 6 and April 9, 2025. During these visits, he explained the application procedures for the Hsu-Sun Scholarship, gathered insights on current Sinology research trends in the United Kingdom and continental Europe, and encouraged scholars to apply for the Foundation's various awards and grants. President Chen met British scholars including Professor Jessica Rawson, a renowned art historian and archaeologist at the University of Oxford and winner of the 2022 Tang Prize in Sinology; Dr. Bo-jiun Jing, Director of the Taiwan Studies Programme at Oxford University; Professor Jianjun Mei, Director of the Needham Research Institute; Professor Hans van de Ven of the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Cambridge; and Professor Dafydd Fell of the Department of Politics and International Relations at SOAS, University of London, and former Director of the Centre of Taiwan Studies. In addition, President Chen met with Ambassador Vincent Chin-hsiang Yao and Andy Cheu-an Bi, Director of the Education Division at the Taipei Representative Office in the United Kingdom.

After concluding his visit to the United Kingdom, Foundation President Chun-i Chen visited the Czech Republic between April 10 and April 14. On April 11, President Chun-i Chen had lunch with Ambassador Liang-ruey Ke of the Taipei Representative Office in the Czech Republic. In the afternoon, accompanied by Professor Olga Lomová, Director of the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation International Sinological Center at Charles University, he met with Charles University Rector Milena Králíčková and Eva Lehečková, Dean of the Faculty of Arts. President Chen thanked the university for its long-standing generosity in providing space for the Center and expressed his hope for its continued support of the Center's work. President Chen attended the European Fellowship Review Committee meeting on April 12. After the meeting, he invited committee members to provide feedback on the Foundation's awards and grants programs. The members actively shared their insights, for which President Chen expressed his gratitude. He then presented the application procedures and funding details for the Hsu-Sun Scholarship, encouraging the members to help promote it.

(11) Visit from Distinguished Professor Bo-wei Chiang of the Department of East Asian Studies, National Taiwan Normal University

Distinguished Professor Bo-wei Chiang of the Department of East Asian Studies, National Taiwan Normal University, visited the Foundation on June 2, 2025, and was received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Professor Chiang specializes in the study of overseas Chinese communities in Southeast Asia, their hometowns, and heritage preservation. His long-term research on Kinmen natives who migrated to Southeast Asia has brought him into frequent contact with Chinese associations in Singapore and Malaysia, and he is well-acquainted with developments in higher education across the region. President Chen took the opportunity to ask Professor Chiang about universities in the region that are interested in developing Sinology programs to identify potential local partners for collaboration.

(12) Visit from Distinguished Professor Amitav Acharya of American University

Distinguished Professor Amitav Acharya of American University, visited the Foundation on June 5, 2025, and was received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Distinguished Professor Amitav Acharya of American University is a scholar of international relations whose primary research areas include Southeast Asian Studies, multilateralism and global governance, security studies, and international relations theory. He is the author of several works, including *The End of American World Order*. From 2014 to 2015, Distinguished Professor Amitav Acharya served as President of the International Studies Association (ISA), becoming the first non-Western scholar to hold the position. During this visit, Distinguished Professor Amitav Acharya presented President Chun-i Chen with a copy of his latest book, *The Once and Future World Order: Why the Global Civilization Will Survive the West's Decline*, and took the opportunity to learn more about the Foundation's grants for the American Region and the possibilities for submitting a future research project proposal.

(13) Foundation President Chun-i Chen Attends the 22nd EATS Annual Conference in the Czech Republic and Visits Academic Institutions in the Netherlands, Germany, Hungary, and the Czech Republic

From June 14 to 23, 2025, Foundation President Chun-i Chen traveled to Europe to attend the 22nd Annual Conference of the European Association of Taiwan Studies (EATS), where he delivered remarks at the opening ceremony. He also visited institutions and scholars in Leiden, the Netherlands; Berlin, Germany; Budapest, Hungary; and Olomouc and Brno in the Czech Republic. The trip provided an opportunity to learn about the current state of Taiwan Studies and Sinology in Europe, introduce the Foundation's grant programs, and promote the "Hsu-Sun Scholarship." Institutions and scholars visited included Martina van den Haak, and Erica van Bentem, managers at the International Institute for Asian Studies at Leiden University, the Netherlands; Matthias Kaun, Director, and Cordula Gumbrecht, Deputy Director, of the East Asia Department at the Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, Germany; Dagmar Schäfer, Director of the Max Planck Institute for the

History of Science and member of the Foundation's European Fellowship Review Committee, and Research Fellow Shi-pei Chen; Henning Klöter, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Humboldt University of Berlin and member of the Foundation's European Fellowship Review Committee; Imre Hamar, Head of the Department of Chinese Studies at Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary, Professor Gábor Kósa of the Department of Chinese Studies, and Kornélia Major, Institute of East Asian Studies Library Librarian; László Csicsmann, Director of the Centre for Contemporary Asian Studies at Corvinus University of Budapest, and Research Fellow Scott N. Romaniuk; Kristýna Solomon, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Palacký University Olomouc in the Czech Republic, and František Kratochvíl, Head of



President Chun-i Chen at the 22nd EATS Annual Conference at Palacký University Olomouc



Participants at the 22nd EATS Annual Conference

the Department of Asian Studies; and Dušan Vávra, Head of the Department of Chinese Studies at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic. During the visits to institutions and scholars in Central and Eastern Europe, it became clear that small grants remain the most suitable form of research funding for the region, as they require fewer resources than in Western European countries yet can yield significant impact. In visits to institutions in the Netherlands and Germany, President Chen learned that digital humanities and AI are now major research trends, with many European universities and research institutes having established departments dedicated to digital humanities and AI. Taiwan should work to strengthen its presence in this area, and the Foundation will explore opportunities to engage in related research and consider how the research results and data could be used to enrich the collections of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library.

(14) Visit of Research Fellow Jian Yang of the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies

On June 26, 2025, Research Fellow Jian Yang of the Institute for Global Governance Studies at the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies visited the Foundation, accompanied by Professor Tse-kang Leng of the Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica, and was received by Foundation President Chun-i Chen. Professor Leng is one of the few scholars in Taiwan specializing in Arctic governance and geopolitics, while



Professor Tse-kang Leng (third from right) with faculty members of the College of Arts and Sciences at Qatar University

Research Fellow Yang is a leading expert on Arctic governance in China. During Research Fellow Yang's visit to Taiwan to give a lecture, Professor Leng took the opportunity to introduce him to the Foundation. Research Fellow Yang shared with President Chen China's active role in Arctic governance and its efforts to address global challenges, highlighting issues such as climate change and environmental protection, and covering research areas including glaciology, hydrology, meteorology, ecology, and geophysics. The conversation also covered a number of issues in international law, including the conduct of international organizations, global climate change, and the management of marine resources.

V. Other Activities and Events

1. Professor Tse-kang Leng of Academia Sinica Attends the 9th General Assembly of the Global Public Diplomacy Network on Behalf of the Foundation

The Foundation has invited Professor Tse-kang Leng of Academia Sinica to serve as a policy advisor. Between May 21 and 23, 2024, Professor Leng led a delegation to attend the 9th General Assembly of the Global Public Diplomacy Network (GPDNet), organized by the Cultural Village Foundation, Katara, on behalf of Foundation

President Chun-i Chen. The conference officially commenced on May 22, chaired by Secretary General Maryam Al Saad. The key discussion topics included strategies for enhancing cultural exchanges among member countries, leveraging social media to promote GPDNet activities, and identifying suitable cultural projects for collaborative exhibitions and online sharing. During the event, members were also invited to attend the photography exhibition "National Dress: Source of Pride and Heritage," where they volunteered as guides or cultural ambassadors, embodying the true essence of public diplomacy.

The delegation visited Qatar University on May 21, where they met with Dr. Abdulaziz Ali M. Al-Mannai, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Qatar University. Attending the meeting were several distinguished scholars, including Dr. Maryam Mohammed Alkuwari, Director of the Gulf Studies Center; Dr. Bahaeldin Makkai Mohammed Gaily, Head of the Department of International Affairs; Professor Saban Kardas, Coordinator of the Gulf Studies Program; and Dr. Hicham Raiq, Research Coordinator for the Humanities and Social Sciences Cluster.

During the visit, Professor Leng outlined areas where Middle Eastern countries could connect with or apply for the Foundation's academic grant programs. After discussions, both sides proposed focusing on energy security, sustainable development, food safety, and environmental protection as potential directions for future academic cooperation. Professor Leng also proposed to the scholars at Qatar University the idea of establishing contact between Qatar University and Middle East Studies programs at National Chengchi University. This could lead to future collaborations on research projects and the organization of small-scale workshops. This marks the Foundation's first academic exchange with Qatar University, and we are honored to have the opportunity to facilitate this important academic collaboration.

2. Establishment of the Hsu-Sun Scholarship and Launch of the Sinology Lecture Series

On June 20, 2024, Emeritus Board Member Cho-yun Hsu was honored with the bestowal of the 2024 Tang Prize in Sinology. To express his gratitude for the support he received from various scholarships during his academic journey, Emeritus Board Member Hsu generously donated the entire prize sum to the Foundation to establish the "Hsu-Sun Scholarship." He hopes the scholarship will help doctoral candidates in the humanities broaden their perspectives and build a strong foundation for future research.

The ceremony for Emeritus Board Member Hsu's donation of his Tang Prize award and the establishment of the "Hsu-Sun Scholarship" was held on September 29, 2024, in the Foundation's Multimedia Room. Honorary Board Member Hsu delivered his remarks via video message from the United States. The donation was made on his behalf by his nephew, Professor Emeritus Chien-chung John Li of the Department of Civil Engineering at National Central University, and accepted on behalf of the Foundation by Chairman Fredrick F. Chien.

In setting up the “Hsu-Sun Scholarship,” the Foundation consulted not only with Emeritus Board Member Hsu but also with several senior scholars from Taiwan and abroad. The scholarship officially launched on July 1, 2025, and is open to PhD students in the humanities who are enrolled at universities in Europe or the Americas, have attained doctoral candidacy, and whose dissertation topics are related to Sinology. Each year, one to two recipients will be selected, with each awarded between US\$35,000 and US\$50,000. The scholarship is intended to encourage recipients to conduct research visits at academic institutions other than their home university, with an affiliated scholar at the host institution serving as their mentor during the visit.

Beyond his generous support, Emeritus Board Member Hsu has high hopes for the Foundation’s future. In the preface to the Foundation’s *The Birth of a Presidential Library*, he underscored the responsibility of the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library as an academic institution and offered guidance on how to carry out this mission. He hopes the Foundation will stay true to its original mission and remain firmly dedicated to advancing Sinology research. Emeritus Board Member Hsu also suggested working with scholars from the Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica, such as Jen-der Lee, Ming-ke Wang, and Cheng-hwa Tsang, and others in the academic community to explore hosting symposiums or lectures, using the library as the venue to help energize the space. The symposiums and lectures could be open to the public, enabling interested audiences to stay informed and even take part in the discussions.

In response to Emeritus Board Member Hsu’s suggestion, the Foundation will launch the Sinology Lecture Series, inviting scholars from the humanities and social sciences, both in Taiwan and abroad, to share their research in an accessible way. The lectures will be open to the public, and the Foundation’s own board members and supervisors with relevant expertise will also be among the invited speakers. The Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library is a digital library that combines museum and archive functions, with a mission to serve the global Chinese Studies community. In addition to building on the Foundation’s long-standing efforts to promote international Sinology research, we aim to leverage digital technology to integrate related archives and historical materials from Taiwan and abroad, create a comprehensive digital database, and continue advancing the digitization of Sinology resources, establishing the library as a leading global platform for integrated Sinology research resources.

3. Foundation President Chun-i Chen Visits Emeritus Board Member Cho-yun Hsu in the United States

After receiving the 2024 Tang Prize in Sinology, Emeritus Board Member Cho-yun Hsu donated his NT\$50 million prize to the Foundation to establish the “Hsu-Sun Scholarship.” To express the Foundation’s gratitude, Foundation President Chun-i Chen and Chief Secretary Tsui-yin Sung visited Emeritus Board Member Hsu in Pittsburgh on November 8, 2024. President Chen conveyed Chairman Fredrick F. Chien’s gratitude and presented a gift, and also assisted the Tang Prize Foundation in delivering the prize medallion, certificate, and

gift. Emeritus Board Member Hsu warmly welcomed President Chen’s visit. During their conversation, President Chen sought his advice on how the Foundation could stay connected with academic communities in Taiwan and the Asia-Pacific region after ending grant programs there, as well as on the operation of the American Regional Office. Emeritus Board Member Hsu shared valuable insights, including ideas for collaborating with universities in Singapore, hosting forums for scholars, and his views on the American Regional Office’s operations, making the visit highly productive.

4. Visit from the China Soong Ching Ling Foundation

A delegation from the China Soong Ching Ling Foundation, led by Secretary-General Jiming Zhang, visited Taiwan at the invitation of the Sun Yat Sen Academic and Cultural Foundation to participate in an academic symposium. On November 13, 2024, they visited the Foundation, where they were received by Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien, accompanied by Foundation President Chun-i Chen and Secretary-General Jian-rong Lee of the Sun Yat Sen Academic and Cultural Foundation.

From 2011 to 2019, the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation and the China Soong Ching Ling Foundation jointly supported a number of camps for young scholars focused on Chinese history and culture, such as the “Cross-Strait History and Culture Camp,” the “Peking Opera Young Artists Camp,” the “Camp in Cross-Strait Anthropology,” and the “First Literature Camp: Ancient Poetics and Literati Traditions in Contemporary China.” These activities effectively promoted cooperation between higher education institutions on both sides of the Strait and fostered exchanges among young scholars. During this visit, Secretary-General Zhang specifically inquired about the possibility of reviving joint activities such as the “Cross-Strait History and Culture Camp.” Chairman Chien welcomed the idea and asked President Chen and the administrative team to look into the relevant details. After the meeting, the delegation toured the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park and the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library, expressing their admiration for the beautiful scenery of the Park and the serene and elegant atmosphere of the library and residence.

5. Visit from the Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at Princeton University

On January 16, 2025, the Princeton Alumni Association of Taiwan held an alumni dinner at the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park. That afternoon, a delegation from the Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at Princeton University visited the Park and met with Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien.

The Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at Princeton University was founded in 2000 with the mission of supporting teaching, research, publications, and other activities related to self-determination in a globalized world. The delegation’s visit to Taiwan was led by Executive Director Nadia Crisan and included more than 20 professors and young scholars. They engaged in a lively and in-depth discussion with Chairman Fredrick



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien (second from left) receives delegates from Princeton University at the Foundation



Chairman Fredrick F. Chien at *The Birth of a Presidential Library* book launch

F. Chien on cross-Straits issues, Taiwan-related topics, and the potential impact of President Donald Trump's presidency on cross-Straits relations.

6. *The Birth of a Presidential Library* Book Launch

The journey to establish the Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library was long and challenging, but over sixteen years, with the steadfast support of many dedicated individuals, it was finally brought to fruition. To tell the story of the library's extraordinary creation, the Foundation invited Chen Hsia, Editor-in-Chief of Storm Media, to transform a series of interviews into the book *The Birth of a Presidential Library*, published by Commonwealth Publishing.

The book was officially released on April 27, 2025, and the following day, the Foundation and Commonwealth Publishing co-hosted a launch event for *The Birth of a Presidential Library*. Guests included the Foundation's board members and supervisors, scholars from academic institutions, former aides to President Chiang Ching-kuo, donors, distinguished public figures, individuals involved in the planning and construction of the Ching-kuo Chi-Hai Cultural Park, government officials, and media executives—all gathered to witness how this new cultural landmark in Taipei evolved from an idea into reality.

The book launch began with the screening of the documentary *The Birth of a Presidential Library*, followed by remarks from Foundation Chairman Fredrick F. Chien and Charles Kao, founder of the Global Views–Commonwealth Publishing Group. Next, former Mayor of Taipei City Hau Lung-bin, Sisy's World News host Sisy Chen, architect Philip T. C. Fei of Fei and Cheng Associates, and board member of the Chinese Christian Faith and Love Foundation Steven Lee each shared significant moments and key milestones from the Park's planning to its completion. Chen Hsia shared her journey in writing the book and how the process became a way for her to reflect on Taiwan's social and political transformation. President Chun-i Chen expressed his heartfelt gratitude to everyone who had supported the Foundation throughout the library's development—whether by joining the effort, giving generously, offering their expertise, or dedicating their time and energy. After Foundation President Chun-i Chen delivered his closing words of thanks, the event hosts and guest speakers joined him on stage, each holding a copy of the new book for a group photo—symbolically dedicating the work to Taiwanese society. The atmosphere was both dignified and moving.

7. Passing of Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation Emeritus Board Member, Academician Cho-yun Hsu

On the morning of August 4, 2025, the Foundation received the sad news that Emeritus Board Member, Academician Cho-yun Hsu, had passed away in Pittsburgh, United States, on the afternoon of August 3 local time, at the age of 95.



Emeritus Board Member Cho-yun Hsu

Professor Hsu was born in 1930 in Xiamen, Fujian, to a family whose ancestral home was in Wuxi, Jiangsu. He moved to Taiwan in 1949 and studied history at National Taiwan University before pursuing further studies in the United States, where in 1962 he received his PhD in History from the University of Chicago. That same year, he returned to Taiwan to teach before later accepting an appointment at the University of Pittsburgh in 1970, and eventually retiring in 1999 as University Professor Emeritus.

Although Professor Hsu specialized in ancient Chinese history and Chinese social history, his writings extended to insightful reflections on China’s modern history over the past seventy to eighty years, as well as a wide range of commentary on contemporary political and national issues.

Professor Hsu was one of the original

founders of the Foundation. In 1986, while President Chiang Ching-kuo was still alive, Professor Hsu personally presented him with a letter signed by many overseas scholars—including Professors Ying-shih Yu and Kwang-chih Chang—strongly supporting the establishment of the Foundation. When the Foundation was formally established in 1989, its first overseas office was also set up in Washington, D.C. that October, with Professor Hsu serving as its inaugural Chairman, laying a firm foundation for the Foundation’s academic programs in the Americas.

After serving ten terms on the Foundation’s Board, Professor Hsu stepped down from his positions as Board Member and Chairman of the American Regional Office, yet he continued to follow the Foundation’s work with great interest and offer his advice and encouragement regarding the Foundation’s operations. An extraordinarily prolific scholar, Professor Hsu continued to write and teach diligently into his later years. In 2024, he was awarded the Tang Prize in Sinology and, with great generosity, donated the entire NT\$50 million prize to the Foundation to establish the Hsu–Sun Scholarship, intended to encourage outstanding young scholars in the humanities to devote themselves to Sinology, with the hope that Chinese culture will continue to contribute to world civilization.

Professor Hsu’s contributions to the Foundation were profound and enduring. His passing is deeply mourned by all members of the Board, Supervisors, and colleagues of the Foundation.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant Applications for the American Region

Unit: US\$

No.	Grant Category	Cases	Funding Requested
1	Research Grants	21	931,996
2	Scholar Grants	34	1,077,768
3	Conference/Seminar/Workshop Grants	3	46,596
4	Publication Subsidies	11	63,000
Total		69	2,119,360

Grant Applications for the European Region

Unit: US\$

No.	Grant Category	Cases	Funding Requested
1	Lecture Series Grants	1	23,005
2	Research Grants	12	952,782
3	Database Grants	3	385,157
4	Conference and Seminar Grants	10	152,812
5	Publication Subsidies	4	29,014
Total		30	1,542,770

Grant Applications for Developing Regions

Unit: US\$

No.	Grant Category	Cases	Funding Requested
1	Lecture Series Grants	0	0
2	Research Grants	8	147,550
3	Conference and Seminar Grants	0	0
4	Library Acquisition Grants	0	0
5	Mobility Grants	4	5,521
Total		12	153,071

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Jan.1, 2024-Dec.31, 2024

Global fiscal expansion driven by rising geopolitical uncertainty has raised market concerns about fiscal sustainability. We decreased our exposure to long-term government bonds and increased our allocation to the money market. The US dollar was well above its long-term average level, indicating depreciation risk. Consequently, we reduced our assets in the United States and increased holdings in domestic and Asia-Pacific markets.

By the end of 2024, the total assets of the Foundation were US\$139,570,520, including US\$84,626,508 in current assets, US\$22,749,506 in funds and long-term investments, US\$5,056,097 in fixed assets, US\$26,629,901 in intangible assets, and US\$508,508 in other assets (see Balance Sheet).

Table 1: Balance Sheet

Dec. 31, 2024			NTD/USD: 32.785		
Assets	Subtotal	Total	Liabilities and Net Worth	Subtotal	Total
Current Assets		84,626,508	Current Liabilities		157,945
Revolving Funds	60,536		Accrued Expenses	139,784	
Currency Deposits	676,386		Unearned Receipts	7,676	
Time Deposits	11,299,017		Other Current Liabilities	10,484	
Current Financial Assets	71,900,895		Other Liabilities		22,876
Accounts Receivable	13,200		Guarantee Deposits Received	22,876	
Other Receivables	491,834				
Inventories	26,914				
Prepayments	85,468				
Other Current Assets	72,258				
Funds and Long-term Investments		22,749,506			
Non-current Financial Assets	22,749,506				
Fixed Assets		5,056,097	Net Worth		139,389,699
Land	2,311,789		Capital	110,416,349	
Office Space	1,739,045		Other Funds	0	
Transportation Equipment	12,490		Accumulated Income	28,550,734	
Other Equipment	2,321,612		Other Net Worth Items	422,615	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(1,543,804)				
Construction in Progress	214,965				
Intangible Assets		26,629,901			
Operating Concessions	26,568,469				
Royalties	19,112				
Computer Software	42,320				
Other Assets Guarantee Deposits Paid		508,508			
Deferred Assets	233,077				
Guarantee Deposits Paid	275,431				
Total Assets		139,570,520	Total Liabilities and Net Worth		139,570,520

For 2024, total revenue was US\$13,426,392, while expenses (including income tax) were US\$5,604,612 (see Income Statement).

Table 2: Income Statement

For the year ending Dec. 31, 2024		NTD/USD: 32.785	
Items	Subtotal	Total	
Previous Accumulated Income		1,617,010	
Donation Income	2,466,097		
Interest Revenue	3,405,852		
Investment Income	3,416,741		
Foreign Exchange Gain	3,584,825		
Miscellaneous Income	749		
Rent Income	132,493		
Operating Revenue of Ching-kuo Chi-hai Cultural Park	419,635		
Total Current Revenue		13,426,392	
Operating Expenses		4,445,072	
Committee Meeting Expenses	116,799		
American Region	947,088		
European Region	772,175		
Asia-Pacific Region	163,146		
Domestic Region	282,771		
Developing Regions	18,328		
Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library	2,220,059		
Less: Grant Funds Returned	75,294		
Administrative Expenses		1,118,771	
Board of Directors	137,109		
Headquarters	928,420		
American Regional Office	53,242		
Non-operating Expenses		40,769	
Custodian Fee	40,769		
Total Current Expenditures		5,604,612	
Current Income Before Tax		7,821,780	
Income Tax		-	
Current Income		7,821,780	
Losses on Disposals of Non Current Equity Investments Measured at Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income		736,553	
Transfer from Other Funds to Accumulated Income		18,375,391	
End Accumulated Income		28,550,734	

Operating expenditures included grants to the American, European, Asia-Pacific, Domestic and Developing Regions for various grant and fellowship categories. In 2024, US\$948,069 was allocated to the American Region, US\$770,673 to the European Region, US\$157,572 to the Asia-Pacific Region, US\$2,552,754 to the Domestic Region, and US\$16,004 to the Developing Regions (see Details of Operating Expenses).

Table 3: Details of Operating Expenses

For the year ending Dec. 31, 2024						NTD/USD: 32.785
Items	American Region	European Region	Asia-Pacific Region	Domestic Region	Developing Regions	Total
Subtotal Grants	947,088	772,175	163,146	2,502,830	18,328	4,403,567
Research Grants (RG)	33,345	131,094	90,462	111,420	16,826	383,147
Conference and Seminar Grants (CS)	82,520	55,026				137,546
Publication Subsidies (SP)	43,674	12,593				56,267
Lecture Series Grants (LS)						-
Database Grants (DB)		97,139				97,139
Scholar Grants (GS)	188,205					188,205
Doctoral Fellowships (DD)	351,333	160,191				511,524
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (PD)		33,609				33,609
Dissertation Fellowships for ROC Students Abroad (DF)	86,610	44,474				131,084
Mobility Grants (MD)					1,502	1,502
Special Projects (XP)	119,201	235,124	72,684	119,498		546,507
Overseas Sinological Centers	42,200	2,925		51,853		96,978
Chiang Ching-kuo Presidential Library				2,220,059		2,220,059
Review Committees	37,060	14,142	5,010	59,862	725	116,799
Less: Grant Funds Returned	36,079	15,644	10,584	9,938	3,049	75,294
Total	948,069	770,673	157,572	2,552,754	16,004	4,445,072

Administrative costs in 2024 included expenses for the Board of Directors, which totaled US\$137,109. Expenses for the Taipei Headquarters were US\$928,420, while expenses for the American Regional Office in McLean, Virginia, were US\$53,242 (see Details of Administrative Expenses).

Table 4: Details of Administrative Expenses

For the year ending Dec. 31, 2024				NTD/USD: 32.785
Items	Board of Directors	Headquarters	American Regional Office	Total
Personnel	42,350	638,342	28,087	708,779
Office Expenses	27,612	195,294	19,105	242,011
Equipment	51,243	27,516	814	79,573
Other	15,904	67,268	5,236	88,408
Total	137,109	928,420	53,242	1,118,771

獎助名單 GRANT RECIPIENTS, 2024-2025

國內地區 RECIPIENTS IN THE DOMESTIC REGION

Unit: NT\$

A. 專案補助類 Special Project Grants

- 1. Hsi-yuan Chen (陳熙遠), Academia Sinica Center for Digital Cultures 中央研究院數位文化中心
The Project for the Development of an OCR and Full-Text Search System of Chinese Rare Books
(NT\$9,000,000/ 3 years)
「古漢籍善本影像文化辨識與全文檢索系統建置計畫」

美洲地區 RECIPIENTS IN THE AMERICAN REGION

Unit: US\$

A. 研究計畫類 Research Grants

- 1. Huaiyu Chen (陳懷宇), Arizona State University (亞利桑那州立大學)
Locality and Hybridity in the Chinese Religious Manuscripts in the Hsu Collection (US\$14,920/ 2 years)
- 2. Shu-shan Lee (李樹山), Hampton University (漢普頓大學)
A Re-examination of the Relationship between Confucianism and Democracy in Chinese Societies: The Perspective of Robert Dahl’s Guardianship (US\$15,470/ 2 years)
- 3. Jing Cai (蔡婧), University of Maryland, College Park (馬里蘭大學學院市校區)
Enhancing Decision-Making: The Impact of Information Provision on Worker Task Assignment
(US\$29,756/ 1 year)
- 4. Vance Schaefer (三富健), University of Mississippi (密西西比大學)
Enhancing the Communicative Repertoire of L2 Mandarin Learners in Taiwan: Teaching/Learning Taiwanese Hokkien and Mandarin Speech Styles (US\$25,000/ 2 years)
- 5. Suzanne Scoggins (蘇美華), Clark University (克拉克大學)
Policing Public Relations: Lessons from Law Enforcement and the Military (US\$14,000/ 1 year)

B. 學術研討會類 Conference and Seminar Grants

- 1. Natasha Heller (賀耐嫻), University of Virginia (維吉尼亞大學)
Chinese Culture and Plant Humanities (US\$10,000/ 6 months)

- 2. Yi-ting Chung (鍾宜庭), North American Taiwan Studies Association (北美臺灣研究學會)
North American Taiwan Studies Association 30th Annual Conference (US\$20,000/ 6 months)
- 3. Wai-yee Li (李惠儀), Harvard University (哈佛大學)
The Beauty and the Book: Women, Knowledge, Literature, and Book Culture in Ming-Qing China and Beyond (US\$8,000/ 6 months)

C. 出版補助類 Publication Subsidies

- 1. Joan Judge (季家珍), York University (Canada) (加拿大約克大學)
China’s Mundane Revolution: Cheap Print, Vernacular Knowledge, and the Rise of the Common Reader, 1894-1954, by Joan Judge (US\$5,000/ 1 year)
- 2. Elizabeth Searcy, Yale University Press (耶魯大學出版社)
The Woven Image: The Making of Mongol Art in the Yuan Empire (1271-1368), by Yong Cho
(US\$5,000/ 1 year)
- 3. Beth Fuget, University of Washington Press (華盛頓大學出版社)
Contested Taiwan: Sovereignty, Social Movements, and Party Formation, by Lev Nachman (US\$5,000/ 1 year)
- 4. Gerui Wang (王格睿), Stanford University (史丹福大學)
Sustaining Landscapes: Governance and Ecology in Chinese Visual Culture, 960–1368 CE, by Gerui Wang
(US\$5,000/ 1 year)
- 5. Beth Fuget, University of Washington Press (華盛頓大學出版社)
Remaking the Earth, Exhausting the People: The Burden of Conservation in Modern China, by Micah Muscolino (US\$5,000/ 1 year)

D. 學者補助類 Scholar Grants

- 1. Frances Yaping Wang, Colgate University (柯蓋德大學)
Buying Influence: Analyzing Chinese Outsourced Foreign Propaganda in Asia (US\$26,000/ 1 year)
- 2. Christopher Rea (雷勤風), University of British Columbia (Canada) (加拿大英屬哥倫比亞大學)
In Melon Time: Cultivating the Associative Imagination (US\$25,000/ 1 year)
- 3. Jason Protass, Brown University (布朗大學)
Heart of the River: A Buddhist History of the Yangtze River and Coastal Fujian (US\$17,000/ 1 year)

4. Shaohua Guo（郭紹華）, Carleton College (卡爾頓學院)
Streaming China in Times of Precarity: Webcasts, Short Videos, and Creative Industry (US\$25,000/ 1 year)
5. Dominic Toscano（田福彬）, Oberlin College (歐柏林學院)
Research and Writing for the Monograph “Inside the Tang: Contemporary Anthologies from the Golden Age of Chinese Poetry” (US\$25,000/ 1 year)
6. Jennifer Dorothy Lee（李晉美）, School of the Art Institute of Chicago (芝加哥藝術學院)
Diasporic Longing: Stories of Music and Migration from the Family of Yo-Yo Ma (US\$26,000/ 1 year)
7. Heangjin Park, Loyola Marymount University (羅耀拉瑪麗蒙特大學)
Diasporic Visions of Korean-Chinese Kimchi (US\$23,000/ 1 year)
8. Yu-wei Yang（楊煜煒）, George Washington University (喬治華盛頓大學)
Health as a Bridge: Amplifying Taiwan’s Global Voice Through Medical Diplomacy (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
9. Wan-zi Lu（盧宛孜）, State University of New York, Stony Brook (紐約州立大學石溪校區)
The Many Hands of the Healthcare State: The Politics of Valuing Taboo Exchange in Singapore, Hong Kong, and Taiwan (US\$23,000/ 1 year)
10. Andrew Liu（劉仁威）, Villanova University (維拉諾瓦大學)
The Big Tiger: The Pearl River Delta, Socialist China, and the Capitalist Asia-Pacific, 1949–1997
(US\$27,500/ 1 year)
11. Cheng-hua Wang（王正華）, Princeton University (普林斯頓大學)
Topographical Landscape Painting at the Qianlong Court (1736–1795): Spatial Performativity, Imperial Territoriality, and Sino-European Interactions (US\$27,500/ 1 year)

E. 博士論文獎學金類 **Doctoral Fellowships**

1. Qin Huang（黃欽）, Northwestern University (西北大學)
Patchwork Capitalism: Institutional Change and Economic Development in Subnational China
(US\$20,000/ 1 year)
2. Ziwen Zu（祖梓文）, University of California, San Diego (加州大學聖地牙哥校區)
Legitimizing Autocracy: How Do the Chinese Communist Party Coopt and Mobilize Lawyers for Authoritarian Rule (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

3. Ye Zhang, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (麻省理工學院)
Political Control in the Workplace: How Autocrats Use Private Firms to Control Citizens
(US\$20,000/ 1 year)
4. Yingzhe Zhu（朱穎哲）, Northwestern University (西北大學)
“Good” Doctors Online All the Time? How Online Medical Platforms Transform Healthcare Delivery in China and the US (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
5. Xingming Wang（王星明）, Rutgers University, New Brunswick (羅格斯大學新布朗斯維克校區)
Coal Attachment: Cultures of Fossil Fuels in Modern China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
6. Gregory Sattler（吳浩宇）, University of California, Los Angeles (加州大學洛杉磯校區)
Chinese Merchants, Officials, and Diaspora Communities in the History of Maritime Asia, from the Eighth to Thirteenth Century CE (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
7. Mindi Zhang（張敏迪）, University of California, Los Angeles (加州大學洛杉磯校區)
Managing Civilization: Scholarly Information, Transnational Ties, and the Making of Chinese Research Libraries, ca. 1900–1950 (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
8. Aijie Shi（石愛潔）, University of Wisconsin, Madison (威斯康辛大學麥迪遜校區)
Experimenting with Aquatic Productivity: The Life History of Fisheries Science in Cold War China (1946–1960) (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
9. Yujie Chen（陳玉潔）, The Ohio State University (俄亥俄州立大學)
Relational Embodiment: *Tizhi*, Dance, and the Plurality of Chineseness, 1950s–Present (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
10. Helena Chen-Abair（陳傳揚）, University of Florida (佛羅里達大學)
From Paper to Bronze and Back Again: The Forging of Ancient Chinese Bronzes, 1840–1940 (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
11. Lingnan He（何靈南）, University of Chicago (芝加哥大學)
Courting Foreign Investment: Persuasion through Impartial Court Decisions (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
12. Pamela Tsui（徐沛筠）, University of Toronto (Canada) (加拿大多倫多大學)
Monetary Boundary Work: Transnational Economic Relationality in Hong Kong and Canada
(US\$20,000/ 1 year)
13. Ye Lin（藺野）, University of Wisconsin, Madison (威斯康辛大學麥迪遜校區)
Tenkō: Anti-Communist Revolution and Socialist End in China and Japan (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

14. Yaming You (尤雅茗), Duke University (杜克大學)
The Syringe Body: A Biography of Injection in Modern China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

15. Ki Chow (周琪), Washington University in St. Louis (聖路易華盛頓大學)
Manning the Unmanned Machines: Labor Narratives, Automation, and Neoliberal Ethics in Late Twentieth-Century Hong Kong and South China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

16. Zhaodi Chen, Indiana University, Bloomington (印第安那大學布魯明頓校區)
From Shadows to Spotlight: The Dynamics of Attention to Violence Against Women Incidents in the Chinese Online Public Sphere (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

17. Jaehyuk Lee (李在赫), The Ohio State University (俄亥俄州立大學)
Memory, Text, and Power: The Three Kingdoms in the Court Politics of Premodern China and Korea (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

18. Lillian Ngan (顏里凌), University of Southern California (南加州大學)
Beyond Pacification: Vietnam’s Circulation in Trans-Asian Sinophone Cultural Imaginaries (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

19. Liying Xu (徐李穎), Arizona State University (亞利桑那州立大學)
Defining “Daoist Scripture”: Through the Lens of Transmission Narratives in Early Medieval China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

20. Fei Yuan, University of California, Irvine (加州大學爾灣校區)
From Planned to Planning: An Ethnography on How Elderly in Urban China Use Financial and Legal Tools for Late-Life Arrangement (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

21. Boyao Zhang (張博堯), University of Toronto (Canada) (加拿大多倫多大學)
Accounting for Revolution: Numeracy, Bureaucracy, and the Reckoning of Chinese Communism, 1900–1996 (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

22. Andrew Hardy (何岸), University of California, Berkeley (加州大學柏克萊校區)
Imperial Encounters in the Han Borderlands: Space, Culture, and Power (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

23. Yuzhe Li (李煜哲), University of Wisconsin, Madison (威斯康辛大學麥迪遜校區)
The Ambivalent Hand: Craftspeople, Culture Workers, and the Shifting Calculus of Skill in Early Socialist China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

24. Jane Jia-yin Wang (王嘉吟), State University of New York, Albany (紐約州立大學奧本尼校區)
Insular Cosmopolitans: How Chinese Women Choose Transnational Academic Knowledge Production Sites (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

25. Katharin Tai (戴愷琳), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (麻省理工學院)
The Paper Ghost in the High-Tech Machine: How Bureaucracies Shape, Limit and Enable High-Tech Governance (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

26. Fenghua Chen (陳楓樺), University of California, San Diego (加州大學聖地牙哥校區)
From Baby Steps to Market Steps: The Rise of Scientific Motherhood and Postpartum Care in China (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

27. Kai Sum Wong (黃啟深), University of Arizona (亞利桑那大學)
Contestation of Orthodoxy: The Kong Lineage’s Scholarship and Classical Studies During the Han and Wei-Jin Periods (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

28. Yuanyuan Duan (段媛媛), Cornell University (康乃爾大學)
Sacralizing Body, Sacralizing Kingship: Esoteric Rituals and Buddhist Sovereignty in Dali, 863–1424 CE (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

29. Tashi Namgyal (扎西南杰), Pennsylvania State University (賓州州立大學)
The Thirteenth Dalai Lama and Trajectory of Sino-Tibetan Relations (1876–1933) (US\$20,000/ 1 year)

F. 中華民國留學生博士論文獎學金類 Dissertation Fellowships for ROC Students Abroad

1. Gang Huang (黃岡), Washington University in St. Louis (聖路易華盛頓大學)
Literary Hauntology: Writing Death, Specters, and Trauma in Post-2010 Hong Kong and Taiwan Literature of Protest (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
「文學幽靈學：後 2010 年港臺抗爭文學中的死亡、鬼魅與創傷書寫」

2. Hu Hsu (許滸), University of California, Berkeley (加州大學柏克萊校區)
Transnational Invention of Neo-Confucian “Tradition”: Manufacturing Wang Yangming in Modern East Asia (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
「儒家『傳統』的跨國際發明：陽明學在現代東亞的復興與轉型」

3. Yuan-yuan Hsu (徐圓媛), University of Southern California (南加州大學)
A Comparative Study of the Development of Defense Industries in Taiwan and South Korea: Government-Business Interactions and State Capacity (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
「臺灣與韓國國防工業發展比較：政府與企業關係的互動與國家談判能力」

4. Yucheng Wong（汪育丞）, University of Rochester (羅徹斯特大學)
How did China Grow Alongside Trade with the US? Evidence from the Lifting of the Trade Embargo in the 1970s (US\$20,000/ 1 year)
「論中國對美國進口貿易對科技成長之重要性：以 1970 年代貿易解禁為例」

歐洲地區 RECIPIENTS IN THE EUROPEAN REGION

Unit: Euros

A. 研究計畫類 Research Grants

1. Julie Yu-wen Chen（陳玉文）, University of Helsinki (Finland) (芬蘭赫爾辛基大學)
Central Asian Academic Knowledge Production about China and Its Politics (€14,000/ 2 years)
2. Federica Ferlanti, Cardiff University (UK) (英國卡地夫大學)
Transnational Movements and Cultural Networks: Arundel del Re’s Intellectual Life in Three Continents
(€72,000/ 3 years)
3. Gábor Kósa（康高寶）, Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary) (匈牙利羅蘭大學)
Confessional Texts in Chinese Manichaeism and Buddhism in the Light of New Discoveries
(€57,000/ 3 years)
4. Ming-chin Chu（朱明琴）, University of Southampton (UK) (英國南安普頓大學)
Economic Statecraft and Semiconductor Supply Chain Vulnerability in Taiwan, China, and the United States (€78,000/ 3 years)

B. 學術研討會類 Conference and Seminar Grants

1. Astrid Lipinsky（李雅瑞）, University of Vienna (Austria) (奧地利維也納大學)
Taiwan as a Contact Zone: Connecting to the German-Speaking World (€8,500/ 6 months)
2. Kevin Fahey, University of Nottingham (UK) (英國諾丁罕大學)
What Can Taiwan Teach the World, What Can the World Teach Taiwan: Studying Elections after the Year of Elections (€12,500/ 6 months)
3. Joshua Wright, University of Aberdeen (UK) (英國亞伯丁大學)
SEAA10: The 10th Worldwide Conference of the Society for East Asian Archaeology (€13,000/ 6 months)
4. Junliang Pan（潘君亮）, Université Paris Cité (France) (法國巴黎西岱大學)
Globalization of Taiwan’s Religions (€5,470/ 6 months)

5. Sebastian Eicher（艾柏田）, Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Italy) (義大利佛斯卡力大學)
Chinese Assistants, Collaborators, and Cultural Intermediaries: Working with Westerners in Sino-Western Exchanges (€9,000/ 6 months)
6. Wolfgang Behr（畢鵬）, University of Zürich (Switzerland) (瑞士蘇黎世大學)
Literary Forms and Epistemic Goals in Early Chinese Philosophical Texts (€9,500/ 6 months)
7. Grzegorz Polak, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin (Poland) (波蘭居禮夫人大學)
Discursive and Non-Discursive Reasoning in Chinese Philosophy (€7,000/ 6 months)

C. 出版補助類 Publication Subsidies

1. Christian Henriot（安克強）, Aix-Marseille University (France) (法國艾克斯 - 馬賽大學)
Modern China in Flux: Networks, Mobility, and Transformation, edited by Christian Henriot (€5,000/ 1 year)
2. Rafael Suter（蘇仁義）, University of Zürich (Switzerland) (瑞士蘇黎世大學)
The Publication of *Doctrine and Practice of Chinese Tiantai Buddhism – The All-Encompassing Deconstruction*, by Hans-Rudolf Kantor (€6,000/ 1 year)

D. 專案補助類 Special Project Grants

1. Gunter Schubert（舒耕德）, University of Tübingen (Germany) (德國杜賓根大學)
Continuation of the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan – A CCK Foundation Overseas Center (CCKF-ERCCT), 2025-2027 (€237,750/ 3 years)
2. Luiz Oosterbeek, Conseil International de la Philosophie et des Sciences Humaines (France) (聯合國教科文組織「國際哲學與人文科學理事會」)
CIPSH International Academy on Chinese Cultures and Global Humanities (2025-2028) (€120,000/ 3 years)

E. 博士論文獎學金類 Doctoral Fellowships

1. Alec Schellinx（林安）, University of Oxford (UK) (英國牛津大學)
Reading the *Hanfeizi* as a Concrete Poetic Site (€16,800/ 1 year)
2. Qijin Han（韓奇金）, University of Tübingen (Germany) (德國杜賓根大學)
“The Art of Fugue”: Translating the European Thermometer to China during the Kangxi Reign (1662-1722)
(€16,800/ 1 year)
3. Gol Tengis（天格斯）, University of Cambridge (UK) (英國劍橋大學)
Aesthetic Nationalism in the Body: A Study of the Inner Mongolian Dance in Socialist China (€16,800/ 1 year)

4. Ye Guo（郭曄）, Université Paris Cité (France) (法國巴黎西岱大學)
Translation of French Sociology Books in China since the End of the 1970s: Restructuration of Publishing Space and Redefinition of Translation Ethics (€16,800/ 1 year)
5. Sihao Mu（牟思浩）, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (France)
(法國國立東方語言文化學院)
The Teaching and Practice of *Lamrim Chenmo* among Contemporary Chinese Buddhists: Building Religious Movements as Textual Communities (€16,800/ 1 year)
6. Ziwei Ye（葉子葳）, University of Oxford (UK) (英國牛津大學)
Journey of Sound and Meaning: Information Organization, Reception and Transmission in Chinese Buddhist Glossaries (€16,800/ 1 year)
7. Zhuoya Zhang（張卓婭）, École Pratique des Hautes Études (France) (法國高等應用研究學院)
Ritual Music Mirrors the Hierarchy of Humans and Gods: Daoist Melodies in Tang Dynasty (618-907) Court Rituals (€16,800/ 1 year)
8. Hélène Trébuchet（何伊蓮）, Université Paris Nanterre (France) (法國巴黎第十大學)
Weaving the Living: Ramie Textile and the Revival of Female Knowledge and Agency in the Pangcah Society (Taiwan) (€16,800/ 1 year)
9. Peter Smith, University of Oxford (UK) (英國牛津大學)
Lin Xiyi: An Exploration into the Shift of the Analysis and Interpretation of the *Zhuangzi* (€16,800/ 1 year)
10. Maximilian Langefeld, University of Oxford (UK) (英國牛津大學)
Resistance by Existence? Queer Art and Visual Activism in Contemporary China (€16,800/ 1 year)

F. 博士後研究獎助金類 Postdoctoral Research Fellowships

1. Ke Huang（黃可）, Université Paris Cité (France) (法國巴黎西岱大學)
Business of Saving Souls: Psychotherapy Platform Capitalism in China (€42,000/ 2 years)
2. Mark Andras Czeller（蔡樂）, University of Manchester (UK) (英國曼徹斯特大學)
Identification, Evasion, and Imposture in Maoist China (€42,000/ 2 years)

G. 中華民國留學生博士論文獎學金類 Dissertation Fellowships for ROC Students Abroad

1. Ming-zong Chen（陳明宗）, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (France)
(法國社會科學高等研究院)
Managing Forestry Uncertainties: Production and Exchange of Forestry Goods in the Qingshui Valley, Guizhou Province (18th–Early 20th Century) (€16,800/ 1 year)
「管理森林不確定性：貴州清水江下游木植財貨的生產與交換（18 世紀 –1910s）」
2. Yi-ting Chang（張怡婷）, University of Oxford (UK) (英國牛津大學)
From Geo- to Astropolitics: How Taiwan Constructs Vertical Territory in the Global Satellite Network (€16,800/ 1 year)
「從地緣到太空政治：在全球衛星網絡中構建臺灣太空領域」

亞太地區 RECIPIENTS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

Unit: US\$

A. 專案補助類 Special Project Grants

1. Chang Woei Ong（王昌偉）, The National University of Singapore (Singapore) (新加坡國立大學)
CCKF-NUS Southeast Asia Centre for Chinese Studies (2025-2028) (US\$270,000/ 3 years)

新興地區 RECIPIENTS IN DEVELOPING REGIONS

Unit: US\$

A. 移地研究類 Graduate Student and Faculty Mobility Grants

1. Lisa Indraccolo, Tallinn University (Estonia) (愛沙尼亞塔林大學)
The Talking Dead – The Trope of the Loquacious Skull and the Unchatty Ghost in Early China
(US\$800/ 5 months)
2. Ivana Buljan, University of Zagreb (Croatia) (克羅埃西亞薩格勒布大學)
Presenting a Paper “What Heaven Begins, Man Completes: Selfhood, Work, and Cosmology in Western Han Thought” at the 5th Biennial Conference of the European Association for Chinese Philosophy (EACP); University of Iceland, Reykjavík, June 26-28, 2025 (US\$1,500/ 6 months)
3. Chor See Chan（陳楚思）, Ahmedabad University (India) (印度艾哈邁達巴德大學)
Everyday Food Practices of Migrants from Southern China to Hong Kong, Taipei and Kolkata from the 1950s to the Present (US\$800/ 6 months)

