



ERCCT Newsletter

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Young Scholars Workshop 2013

From June 25-30, the ERCCT held the Second [Young Scholars Workshop 青年學者工作坊](#) at venues both in Tübingen and the charming city of Freudenstadt, located in the Black Forest. Despite the unusually chilly weather, participants from Germany, Taiwan, the UK, Singapore, Malaysia and the USA shared an amazing experience, both making new friends and enjoying highly interesting and inspiring academic contributions. Special thanks to our visiting scholars residing in Tübingen at the time, who kindly agreed to visit the workshop and taking part in a Round Table Discussion on June 28. Please follow this [link](#) to learn more about the workshop.



The articles from the workshop will be available in our ERCCT Online Paper Series (EOPS) towards the end of October. This [link](#) will show you last year's contributions.

If you (or your students) wish to participate in the next workshop, please check our website regularly for the official announcement.

Taiwan Documentary Film Festival 2013

The 8th [Taiwan Documentary Film Festival 台灣紀錄片電影節](#), organized and hosted by the ERCCT, took place from June 28-29. Taiwanese filmmaker Tsai Tsung-Long 蔡崇隆 had been invited to present a number of his films and engage in a discussion with the audience. The



festival again was a resounding success, and attracted a large and interested audience.

Please follow this [link](#) to learn more about the Festival.

Visitors to our Center



An unparalleled number of Taiwan scholars visited Tübingen in spring, ensuring a both busy and exceedingly interesting academic term. The visiting scholars, who introduced their research in public talks and special venues at ERCCT headquarters, included (in the order of their arrival):

- [Prof. Chen Mu-Min 陳牧民](#) (Graduate Institute of International Politics, NCHU)
- [Prof. Ting Jen-Fang 丁仁方](#) (Department of Political Science, NCKU)
- [Prof. Tang Shao-Cheng 湯紹成](#) (Institute of International Relations, NCCU)
- [Prof. Chao Chien-Min 趙建民](#) (Graduate Institute of Development (NCCU), Deputy Minister MAC)
- [Prof. Hwang Jau-Yuan 黃昭元](#) (College of Law, NTU)
- [Prof. Chao Yung-Mao 趙永茂](#) (College of Social Sciences, NTU)
- [Prof. Hsiao Nai-Yi 蕭乃沂](#) (Taiwan E-Governance Research Center, Department of Public Administration, NCCU)
- [Prof. Fan Yun 范雲](#) (Department and Graduate Institute of Sociology, NTU)

Besides, the ERCCT invited [Dr. Juan Hsiao-Mei 阮曉眉](#) from the Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, to stay as a [short-term visiting fellow 短期研究員計畫](#).

Follow this [link](#) to see more details about our guests.

Coming Up...

Two short-term visiting fellows will visit the ERCCT during the upcoming winter term: Ms. Fan Hsiu-Yu from the University of California (Berkley School of Law), who applied with her dissertation topic “Three Dimensions of Forming Immigration Law and Policy”, and Mr. Chang Chun-Chih from the Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies, National Chengchi University, who is pursuing his Ph.D. on the topic of “Analyzing Political Support in China and Taiwan”. Both were selected from amongst a large number of applications. We are looking forward to their stay at the ERCCT.

Miscellaneous

Visiting Fellow Tsai Pei-Lun 蔡沛倫

In January, short-term visiting fellow [Tsai Pei-Lun](#) 蔡沛倫 from the University of Nottingham, Department of Law, visited the ERCCT.

New Research Fellows Sia Ek-Hong 謝易宏 *and Luo Kai-Ling* 羅凱凌

In February our two new research fellows [Sia Ek-Hong Ljavakaw](#) 謝易宏 and [Luo Kai-Ling](#) 羅凱凌 arrived at the ERCCT. They will stay with the ERCCT for one year, pursuing their Ph.D. projects on the “Green Presbyterian Church” and the “Impact of Board Governance on Representative Democracy”, respectively.

Long-term Visiting Scholar Chung Chi 鍾騏

Prof. [Chung Chi](#) 鍾騏 from the Institutum Iurisprudentiae, Academia Sinica, who is currently on a sabbatical, arrived in February to spend a year at the ERCCT in order to conduct his research.

Björn Lindemann receives Ph.D. degree

In February, former ERCCT research fellow [Björn Lindemann](#) successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis on “Cross-Strait Relations and International Organizations: Taiwan’s Participation in IGOs in the Context of Its Relationship with China, 2002-2001”, and thus received his Ph.D. degree.

Lara Momesso receives Young Scholars Award

Our ERCCT research fellow, Ms. [Lara Momesso](#), has won the “Young Scholars Award” granted by the 10th Annual EATS Conference, which took place from May 2-4 in Lyon. She was lauded by the jury for her presentation on “From being someone to becoming no-one: the lived experiences of 'exceptional' Chinese spouses”.

Extension of TFD Grant

The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy has extended the grant agreement for the ERCCT’s Short-term Visiting Fellow Program. In recognition of our center’s accomplishments in promoting academic exchange between Taiwan and Europe, the generous sponsorship from the TFD will allow us to continue this program, which provides scholars from our partner institutions in Taiwan with the opportunity to visit the ERCCT for one month. Applications can be submitted prior to each academic term. Please refer to the relevant information on our [website](#).

Taiwan Spotlight Program

The ERCCT has successfully applied to Taiwan’s Ministry of Culture for funding of a number of cultural events under the Ministry’s *Spotlight Taiwan Program*. The “Look at Taiwan” project will take place in the summer of 2014 and will feature, among others, a documentary and fiction film festival, Taiwanese music groups and prominent authors who will present works of contemporary Taiwanese literature. Stay tuned to the ERCCT website for further announcements.

Visiting the ERCCT

As a general rule, the ERCCT is an open platform which can be approached by Taiwan scholars to

pursue and present their research, and to engage in academic dialogue with other academics working in related fields, and who work at or visit the ERCCT. The center provides office space, but no funding. However, with the support of its donors, the ERCCT sponsors short-term visiting fellows through the [visiting fellowship program](#). Ph.D. students and postdocs from Taiwan and Europe are invited to apply for a month-long research stay at the ERCCT fully covered by the center. Two students can be invited in each academic term. While priority is given to students from the ERCCT partner institutions, applicants from other institutions may also be selected, depending on the quality of their research proposal and their academic profile.

Moreover, [ERCCT research fellows](#) who stay at the center to complete their dissertations or postdoctoral studies are eligible for a [monthly allowance](#) of 350 Euro for up to two years. They can also take part in the [ERCCT tutorial system](#) when conducting field work in Taiwan.

Furthermore, the ERCCT invites both established and aspiring [visiting scholars](#) on a regular basis to take part in ERCCT activities during the academic year.

The ERCCT also provides assistance to secure funding from [other sources](#) and affordable accommodation in Tübingen.

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