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Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Chairman Wang Jin-Pyng, Karen Human Rights Group Field Director Saw Albert, Secretary-General to the President Timothy Chin-Tien Yang, Secretary-General of the National Security Council Jason C. Yuan, senior ministers of various government bodies, members and representatives of the diplomatic corps, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, good morning!

Today I am extremely honored to have accepted the invitation to participate in the Eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Ceremony held by the TFD. First, I would like to express my highest respect and sincere congratulations to the recipient of this year's award, Myanmar's Karen Human Rights Group. Sixty-five years ago today, the United Nations passed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, an important milestone in humankind's struggle for and protection of human rights. A moment ago, Chairman Wang looked back on the achievements of the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award recipients over the eight years since the TFD established the award in 2006. This year is the sixth time since I took office that I have attended this ceremony, and every time I attend I always gain a special sense of the contribution that this award has made to the development of democracy and human rights in Asia, and how seriously the government takes this topic.

As you all know, since the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was announced 65 years ago, there has been considerable improvement in human rights protection around the world. But it cannot be denied that in many places, human rights are ignored or violated. This shows that it is still necessary to be concerned about this issue and to remind governments around the world to pay attention to it, because the chief sources of human rights violations around the world are governments themselves.



Ever since its establishment in 1992, the recipient of this year's award, the Karen Human Rights Group, has monitored and investigated the many violations of human rights caused by Myanmar's military government, which include forced labor, forced evictions, and the extraction of confessions through torture and intimidation. The KHRG is an important mechanism for safeguarding the human rights of Myanmar people. This organization, through its publications and public education projects, has helped people understand how to avoid persecution, and these efforts have all drawn respect and encouragement from the international community. It has published 640 human rights reports – a great contribution to the world's understanding of Myanmar's human rights situation. It has already received the Peace Fund Canada Honor Award and has twice been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 2010, Myanmar began to democratize, and since then it has gradually departed from military rule, moving towards a democracy of true substance, but the pace of improvement on human rights has remained slow. In March this year, the KHRG discovered a case of forced eviction by Myanmar's military government, which shows that in a newly developing democratic country, it is difficult to avoid cases of human rights violations in the gradual progress towards the protection of such rights. Therefore, the vocal support and encouragement of the outside world is extremely important. The Republic of China, especially since its government moved to Taiwan more than sixty years ago, has also suffered from human rights violations in the past, including the 228 Incident and the events of the White Terror in the early 1950s. On these issues, we have always embraced self-examination and criticism and recognized our mistakes. With an apologetic attitude, we have responsibly undertaken related reparatory work. As you all know, whether in regards to the 228 Incident or the White Terror era, we have attempted



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to redress each of these injustices through legislation, bringing at least some comfort to victims and their families through retrospective reparatory measures. Of course, money, legislation, or fixing of national days of remembrance are no remedy for the loss of human life, but at the very least they demonstrate our government's ability for self-reflection, its empathy for victims' families, and its ability to face history. By these means, we hope to gradually remove the scars of history.

In fact, as you all know, in 1967 the ROC signed the two human rights conventions that the United Nations passed in 1966: the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights. But in 1971, not many years after signing, the ROC lost its right of representation at the UN, and it has never again had the opportunity to participate in UN activities. Five years ago, after I took office, on the important occasion of the presentation of this Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award, I announced that we would ratify these two conventions on human rights as soon as possible. Soon after that, on 14 May 2009, we accomplished ratification, and at the same time, after drafting a law of implementation, we incorporated these two human rights conventions into domestic law. We knew that even if we acted in accordance with UN regulations and sent notice of our ratification of the two covenants to the UN Secretariat, the UN would certainly refuse us — and, as expected, we were refused. Nonetheless, since we had already the Implementation Act to make the two covenants a part of the domestic law of the ROC, our executive, legislative and judicial organs could all apply them as law.

So far, more than 70% of laws and regulations have been brought into conformity with the two covenants. In addition, last year the ROC government published its first



human rights report to the world, and in February this year invited human rights experts from around the world to come to Taiwan to carry out investigation. In other words, by accepting inspection from international experts, we made our country's human rights situation completely transparent. Furthermore, what made the deepest impression on these international experts was that local citizens' organizations also participated in the process of inspection. The international human rights experts did not necessarily have an in-depth understanding of Taiwan's situation, but after many local groups became involved, their understanding was greatly deepened.

With regards to our human rights report, they raised 82 suggestions and measures for improvement that are currently being put into practice by various government authorities. In the process, they affirmed our methods quite strongly; in the past the UN has undertaken investigation of human rights reports from its headquarters in New York, so this was the first time they came to the place in question and carried out extensive investigation of that place's human rights situation with participation from local groups. They considered this an excellent model and the only way to gain further understanding of Taiwan's situation. So, for example, the content of their report that concerns the demolition of the non-conforming buildings in Shaoxing South Street and the Huaguang Community is something that would have been unimaginable in the past. Using this kind of method to promote exchange of opinions between foreign and domestic experts about the country's human rights cases and protections allows us to deepen our understanding of the world's point of view, so it is a very important direction.

Therefore, in comparative international assessments of our human rights, we have received considerable affirmation. For example, in their 2013 report assessing freedom



around the world, America's Freedom House gave Taiwan a first-class evaluation in the political rights category and a second-class evaluation in the civil liberties category. Overall, it placed Taiwan in the category of 'democracy,' like America, Japan, and European countries, and considered Taiwan to be a model of democracy. However, we cannot take this as a basis for complacency. Here today, we are concerned with other countries' human rights, but we cannot decline the concern of other countries for our own human rights. Human rights problems should not be regarded as a country's internal matter that foreign countries must not intervene in, as a pretext for rejecting the concern of other countries. Human rights are universal values and must be subject to the inspection of other countries.

I would like to take the case of army corporal Hung Chung-chiu, suspected to have died of maltreatment in July this year, as an example. After the case came to light, we actively dealt with it, and on August 10 we passed a motion to amend the Code of Court Martial Procedure, causing every case of military justice to be returned to a common law court for trial. This is an extremely important matter in the judicial history of the ROC. In addition, we established the Military Injustice Petitions Committee in the Executive Yuan, convened by Jaclyn Tsai, current Minister without Portfolio in the Executive Yuan, who is also in attendance today. So far, the committee has already examined 14 cases; among them it was necessary to reopen investigation of two cases, and these have already been sent to the district prosecutor's office for further investigation. These changes to our system and regulations, as well as the improvement of practical measures, prove that we are a responsive government that is willing to acknowledge criticism of our human rights protections. I hope that this kind of effort can truly transform Taiwan into an island of human rights.



As well as this, in promoting the protection of human rights in Taiwan, we have another important aim. In cross-strait relations, by expanding and deepening our exchanges on human rights, democracy, freedom, and the rule of law, we can close the distance on this topic between the two sides. Only this way can we secure peace and development on both sides of the strait, because only a free, democratic country with the rule of law and human rights can preserve cross-strait peace and prosperity.

Finally, I want to once again affirm the hard work of the Karen Human Rights Group in protecting and promoting human rights in various ways. I especially want to thank Chairman Wang, whose support for the activities of the TFD has connected Taiwan's efforts to protect human rights with those of the rest of the world. This is, in fact, extremely important work. We wish the TFD success in all its endeavors and hope that it continues to integrate Taiwan with international human rights standards. I wish you well, everyone, and thank you all.



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Chairman of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Wang Jin-Pyng's remarks at the Eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award Ceremony

President Ma, Secretary-General Yang, Secretary-General Yuan, Karen Human Rights Group representative Saw Albert, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, good morning!

Firstly, on behalf of the organizer of this event, the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy, I would like to congratulate the Karen Human Rights Group, headquartered in Thailand, on receiving the 2013 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award. I would also like to thank President Ma and all the distinguished guests for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend this award ceremony, held by the TFD on International Human Rights Day, to together witness the Karen Human Rights Group's honorable achievement. I would also like to thank the KHRG's Field Director, Saw Albert, for coming such a long way to attend this ceremony and accept the award and prize money of 100,000 U.S. dollars.

The selection and announcement of the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award is not just a prestigious annual event for the TFD. These past eight years, it has also become a major activity for the promotion of democracy and human rights in Asia – a benchmark for such activities in the region – and has drawn the interest of many people around the world. As the first national foundation for democracy in Asia, at its inception in 2006, the TFD established the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award to encourage and reward individuals and groups that have made outstanding contributions through their long-term, active promotion of democracy or protection of human rights in Asia through peaceful means. We hope in this way to deepen the development of democracy and the promotion of human rights in Asia.



In the first year, the recipient of the award was Reporters Without Borders for their consistent, active promotion and expansion of press freedom. The 2007 awardee was Dr. Cynthia Maung, for her long-term support and assistance of refugees on the Thai-Myanmar border. In 2008, the award was granted to the Afghan women's rights leader, founder of the Shuhada Organization, and chairperson of the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission, Dr. Sima Samar. The recipient in 2009 was the founder of Free North Korea Radio, Mr. Kim Seoung-min. In 2010, we presented the award to the Rescue Foundation of India for its long-term efforts to rescue young women that have been victims of human trafficking in South Asia. The 2011 awardee was Boat People SOS, which has continuously promoted the protection of human rights and the struggle for freedom in South East Asia by providing legal services to refugees. Last year, in 2012, the seventh Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award was presented to ECPAT (End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes) International, headquartered in Thailand, which has worked for a long time to prevent the commercial sexual exploitation of children.

As in recent years, this year's selection process was divided into two stages of review. After careful deliberation by the members of the review panel, the eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award has been awarded to the Thailand-based Karen Human Rights Group.

Now, please allow me to briefly introduce the achievements of Karen Human Rights Group which have merited this award. The KHRG, presently headquartered in Thailand, was established in December 1992 as a grassroots nongovernmental organization by a Canadian teacher, Mr. Kevin Heppner. That year, the village where Kevin lived was



bombed and destroyed by the Myanmar military. At that point, he began to record the human-rights violations committed against Myanmar's second largest ethnic minority, the Karen people. The KHRG not only documents human rights violations, it also helps victim groups develop the skills necessary to compile documentary evidence, resist abuse, advocate for themselves, and disseminate information. The principal objectives and strategies of this human rights organization are to advocate and disseminate information as well as to support victims of persecution in developing strategies to resist abuse through research and workshops. This strategy makes manifest the contribution the KHRG's work has made to human rights and democracy in Myanmar. In addition to reporting on particular incidents, this organization also investigates the various reasons for the authorities' violations of human rights, evaluates how those violations influence groups in the community, and explores effective countermeasures.

The KHRG has worked tirelessly to protect human rights and has received consistent attention and affirmation from the international community. For example, in 1995 it received the Peace Fund Canada Honor Award; in 1998 it was nominated for the John Humphrey Freedom Award; in both 2000 and 2001 it was honored with a nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize; and in 2001 it received the Canadian Science for Peace Award. In 2011, it published a joint report on human rights with Human Rights Watch which provided detailed evidence and testimonies of victims of persecution. In 2012, it was invited to become a consulting group to the United Nations in connection with human rights in Myanmar, which allowed the international community to gain a more thorough understanding of the current status of human rights there. These achievements all deserve our high praise.



For a long time, the KHRG, as a strong and powerful grassroots organization, has promoted democracy and the human rights of minority groups and pushed Myanmar forward in its progress along the road to democratic government; its contribution to the nation has been very significant. As a result, this organization won the unanimous support of this year's foreign and domestic judges and is the recipient of the eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award. This is truly well-deserved!

Finally, on behalf of the TFD, I would like to thank those who have attended in the ceremony, my compatriots, and the international community for their support and participation in this event, the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award. I would also like to thank everyone for their encouragement and support of the TFD over the years. I wish you all good health and success and wish President Ma health and strength in his work. Thank you, everyone!



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The Significance of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

Vice Chairman of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy David Y. L. Lin

The wave of democratization that swept the world at the end of the 20th century hastened the breakup of authoritarian regimes, making democratic politics the hallmark of civilized society.

The past two decades comprise a period of metamorphosis into full democracy for our country. From electing all national legislators to direct popular election of our president, the development of our democracy has entered a mature stage. Two peaceful transitions of power to date in the executive branch of government have established the paradigm of democracy and the rule of law, further building a solid foundation for promoting democracy and human rights in Taiwan.

The culture of democracy includes safeguards for civil and human rights. President Ma Ying-jeou has signed the instruments of ratification for the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, ensuring that they have become a part of our domestic law. This is the supreme manifestation that democracy and human rights safeguards in our country meet global standards.

The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD) functions as a platform agency for democracy and human rights that has achieved manifest results in building cooperative relations with civic, political, think-tank and academic groups as well as nongovernmental organizations of other countries; aligning with the global forces of democracy; and boosting Taiwan's presence in the international community. In January 2014, the TFD was again selected by the US-based Foreign Policy Research Institute for inclusion in its *2013 Global Go To Think Tank Index & Abridged Report*, where it was ranked first



among Taiwan's 52 think tanks and among the top ten think tanks of Asia and Oceania, much to the glory of our entire citizenry.

In the future, we look forward to the TFD building on this existing foundation to go on playing an active role in safeguarding human rights and promoting democracy, and continuing to assist and facilitate exchanges between our country and international democratic civic groups, so as to sustain cooperation in promoting democracy, freedom and human rights around the world and further international democratic development, while enhancing Taiwan's international profile.



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Mission of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy

President of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Teh-Fu Huang

The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy is the first national democracy assistance foundation in Asia, and it is a bridge between Taiwan and nongovernmental organizations around the world. With our starting point in Asia, we connect with democratic partners worldwide, and we share Taiwan's experience of democratization. Through these continued exchanges and dialogues, we hope to deepen and consolidate democratic development in the region.

As a new democracy, Taiwan deeply understands the difficulties of the process and that democratic achievements do not come easily. Therefore, the TFD has set the goal of promoting the "soft power of democracy." We hope that other countries in the midst of democratic transitions can appreciate that democracy is not just a slogan or even a change of political system. It entails a process of social and cultural reformation. When democracy is consolidated, it manifests the comprehensive soft power of tolerance and pluralism.

In this era of simultaneous globalization and regionalization, the TFD makes every effort to assist democratic transitions and consolidation in Asian countries. Since most of these countries are still in a transition stage, we support the work of Asian nongovernmental organizations to promote democracy and we carry out mutual visits to understand and assist the progress of democratization in each country.

Although the idea of democracy is not new, its content can only be realized through the efforts of the public. Based on its understanding of the difficulty of democratic achievements, the TFD cooperates with related organizations at home and abroad. On the one hand, we work at home to deepen and promote local democratic consolidation. On the



other hand, we spread awareness of the Taiwanese democratic accomplishments to assist other countries as they take the next steps in promoting democratization. Democracy is not only the pride of Taiwan, but also our strongest diplomatic soft power. I believe that through the sharing of Taiwan's democratic experience, our country can greatly enhance its international space and visibility.



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Prospects and Strategy

Taiwan's democratic transformation has been a success, making it not only a historical achievement for the 23 million people of Taiwan, but also an object of international focus. In order to consolidate our democracy and human rights, repay international society for its support and assistance, and at the same time increase Taiwan's international status and recognition by participating in international democratic networks, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs actively began preparing to establish the TFD starting in 2002.

Through the Ministry's research on similar international organizations and its analysis, compiled from the opinions of those from academia, enterprise, government, and civil society, it proposed a budget to the Legislative Yuan, which passed it in January 2003. The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy was officially founded on June 17 of that year under the "Regulations on the Permission for Establishment and Supervision of Incorporated Foundations Governed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

The TFD is the first national democracy assistance foundation in Asia. Its purpose is to be a nonprofit, nonpartisan, permanent, transparent, publicly funded institution for democracy and human rights. Bringing together the strengths of political parties, civil organizations, and the people, and promoting cooperation with related groups, political parties, intellectuals, academics, and nongovernmental organizations, the TFD can connect with international democratic forces to enlarge Taiwan's international space.



June 2013: TFD celebrates 10th anniversary of its establishment



In promoting its strategy, the central focuses of the TFD's work are:

1. Building relationships with democratic organizations around the world in order to promote the global development of democracy and human rights, especially in Asia.
2. Investigating issues in the development of international or domestic democracy and developing solutions.
3. Supporting the engagement of domestic political parties in parliamentary diplomacy and international democratic exchange activities.
4. Holding conferences on democracy and human rights, as well as conducting public forums and democracy education programs.
5. Assisting international or domestic nongovernmental organizations, academics, and think tanks to promote activities about democracy and human rights.
6. Participating in other activities to advance international democratic development and to increase Taiwan's democratic accomplishments and visibility.



April 2013: TFD participates in the VII Ministerial Conference of the Community of Democracies in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

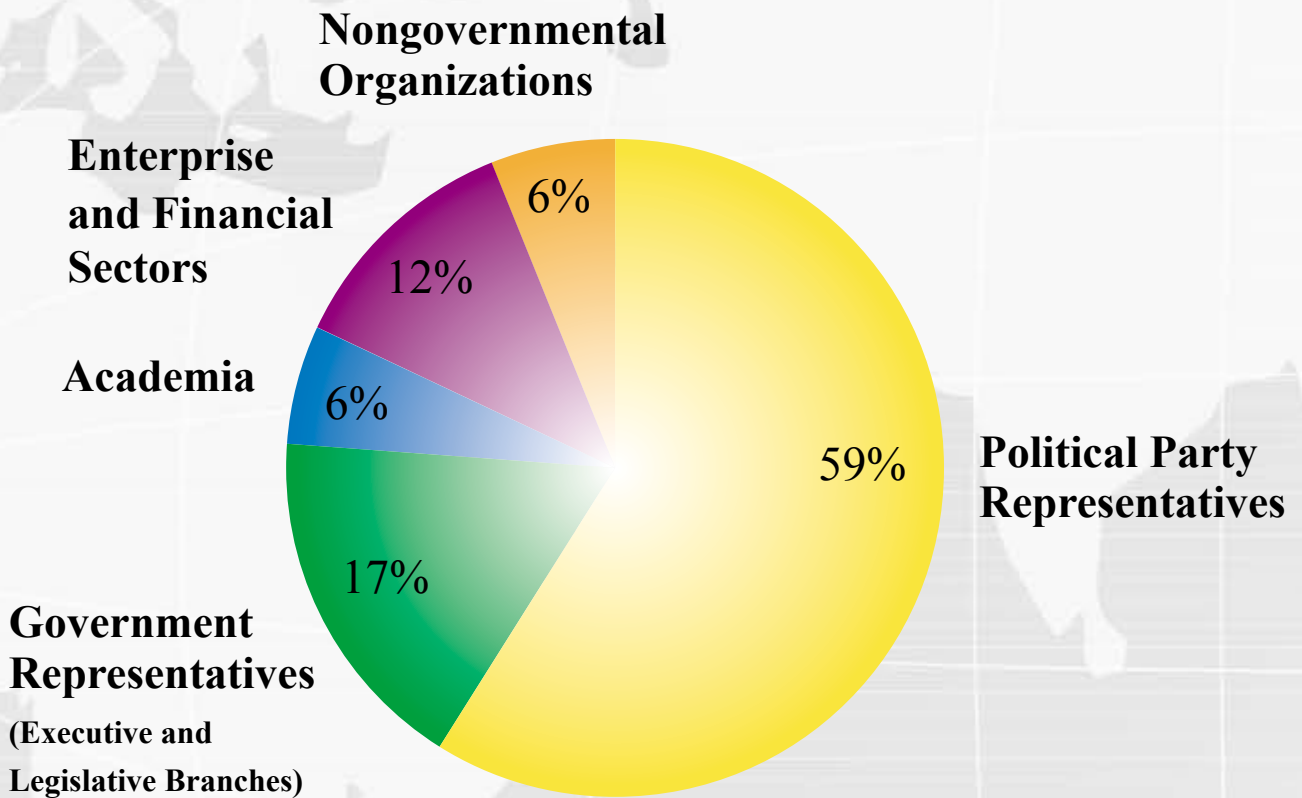


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Governance

According to TFD's By-laws, the structure of the TFD is as follows: the Board of Trustees is composed of 13 to 17 members, who serve a term of three years. The Board of Trustees should include representatives from political parties, government, enterprise, academic circles, and nongovernmental organizations. Over half of its membership consists of representatives from those political parties which receive at least 5% of the votes for the party lists in the elections to the Legislative Yuan; the number of representatives are allocated among the parties according to the proportion of their total seats in the Legislative Yuan, but each eligible party shall have at least one representative. The Supervisory Board is composed of three to five members, with the same term of service as the trustees, one of whom is designated as the standing supervisor. Neither the trustees nor the supervisors receive pay. The current term of service lasts until June 17, 2015.

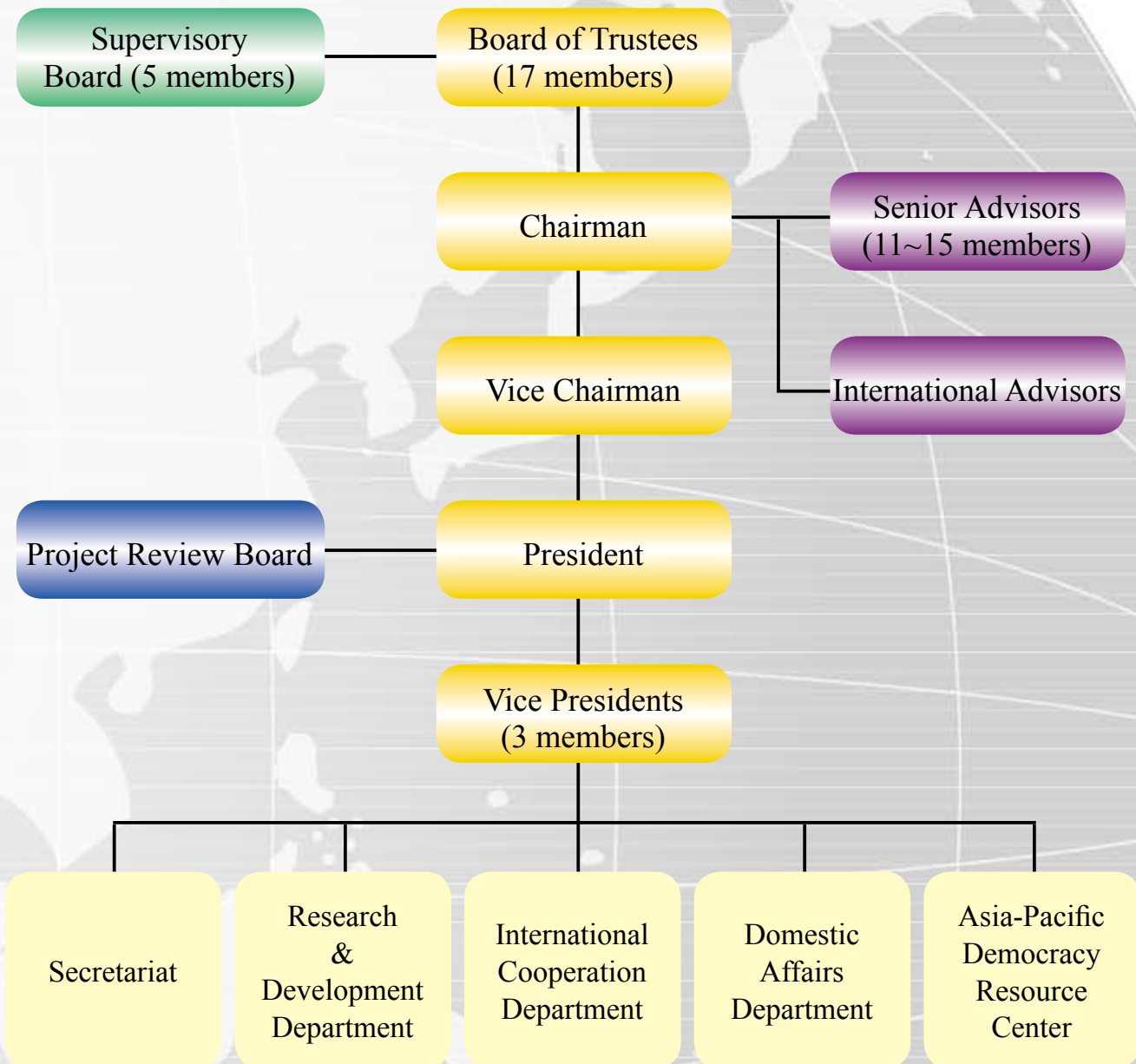
◆ **The Distribution of Trustees in the TFD**



◆ Governance ◆



◆ Organizational Chart of the TFD





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◆ Board of Trustees (as of December 31, 2013)

Title	Name	
Trustees	Chairman	Wang, Jin-Pyng
	Vice Chairman	Lin, David Y. L.
	Government Representative	Yang, Timothy Chin-Tien
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	Enterprise and Financial Sectors	Huang, Theodore M. H. Shaw, Daigee
	Nongovernmental Organizations	Huang, Chang-ling

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Title	Name
Supervisors	Lee, Yung-Ran
	Chen, Chi-sheng
	Yeh, Chin-fong
	Yeh, Yu-Lan
	Tsai, Ming-hua

◆ Management

Title	Name
President	Huang, Teh-Fu
Vice Presidents	Yang, Maysing
	Tsai, George W.
	Yu, Ching-hsin



September 2013: TFD third joint session of the fourth-term Boards of Trustees and Supervisors

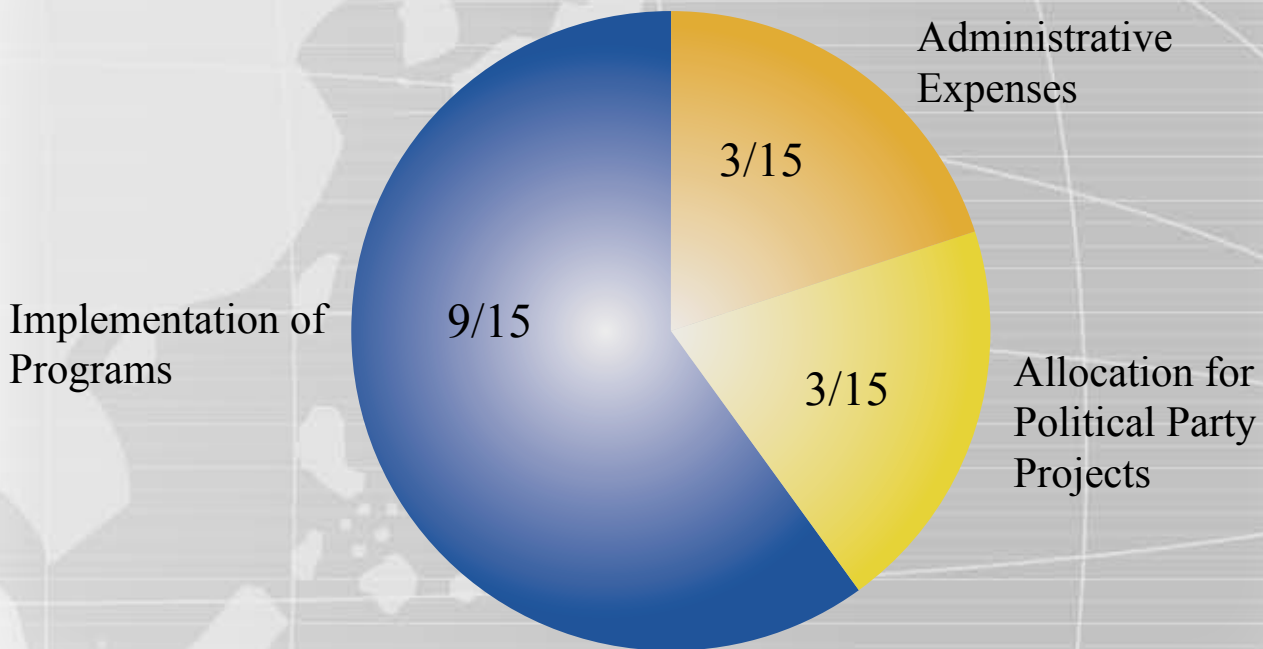


Budget Principles

According to its By-laws and by resolution of the Board of Trustees, the TFD reserves one third of its operating budget for grants to political parties which receive at least 5% of the votes for the party lists in the elections to the Legislative Yuan, allocated proportionally to the total number of seats each party holds in the Legislative Yuan, in order to support their democracy and human rights programs; however, this shall not exceed NTD 30,000,000.

The remaining portion of the operating budget is allocated for grants to domestic and international organizations to support their democracy and human rights activities, as well as the TFD's own programs of bilateral and multilateral cooperation, research, conferences and public forums, and publications.

◆ Budget Allocation Proportions





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Goals and Plans

From January to December 2013, the TFD's goals and plans were divided into four major program categories as follows:

(1) International Programs

To promote democracy and human rights around the world, focusing on Asia while also paying attention to other regions, and develop networking and cooperation with like-minded organizations.

- 1) Provide grants to international nongovernmental organizations or academic institutions for activities to promote democracy and human rights, as well as provide fellowships for foreign scholars to conduct research on these subjects in Taiwan.
- 2) Establish relationships and bilateral cooperation with national democracy foundations and other democracy assistance organizations.
- 3) Actively participate in the network of global and regional democratic movements, such as the World Movement for Democracy, Nongovernmental Process of the Community of Democracies, Asia Democracy Network, East Asia Democracy Forum, and International Civil Society Forum for Democracy.
- 4) Serve as the secretariat for the East Asia Democracy Forum (EADF), and execute activities planned by the EADF Steering Committee to promote democratization in Asia.
- 5) Invite distinguished practitioners and renowned scholars of democracy to visit Taiwan and share their experiences and ideas on democratization.



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(2) Domestic Programs

Reinforce domestic development of democracy and human rights.

- 1) Investigate issues in the domestic development of democracy and develop solutions.
- 2) Provide grants to domestic nongovernmental organizations as well as academic institutions and think tanks for activities to promote democracy and human rights.
- 3) Promote relevant conferences, forums, and exchange activities.
- 4) Promote other activities to sustain domestic democratic development.

(3) Political Party Programs

To assist major domestic political parties' projects and activities that promote democracy and human rights, the TFD reserves a significant amount of its budget, not exceeding NTD 30,000,000, for grants to support political parties' projects. Grants are distributed to any party that garnered at least 5% of the vote from the nationwide constituency and citizens residing abroad in the latest Legislative Yuan election, and they are allocated in proportion to the number of seats each party holds in the Legislature. Each party may apply to use this budget for democracy and human rights education programs or for international exchange programs related to democracy and human rights.

(4) China Democracy and Human Rights Programs

Promote democratization in Mainland China.

- 1) Publish the annual *China Human Rights Report*.
- 2) Support activities to promote democracy and human rights in Mainland China.



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International Programs

A. Eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award

On December 10, Human Rights Day, the TFD invited President Ma Ying-jeou to present the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award to Karen Human Rights Group, headquartered in Thailand, and TFD Chairman Wang Jin-Pyng awarded the group a US\$100,000 endowment to recognize and reward the organization for its work to defend human rights. KHRG Field Director Saw Albert accepted the honors on the group's behalf. It was a grand and solemn event. Over 100 guests were in attendance, including Secretary-General to the President Timothy Chin-Tien Yang, National Security Council Secretary-General Jason C. Yuan, Executive Yuan Minister without Portfolio Jaclyn Tsai, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Vanessa Shih, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Department of NGO (Nongovernmental Organization) International Affairs Director General Rong-chuan Wu, and many diplomatic envoys, scholars and experts, and NGO representatives. KHRG Field Director Saw Albert said it was a great honor to receive the Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award, and it was an affirmation of the group's hard work. He added that the prize not only was the fruit of KHRG members' united efforts but also symbolized acknowledgement of the efforts of human rights workers in Myanmar.

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December 2013: President Ma presents the 2013 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award sculpture to the Karen Human Rights Group, represented by its Field Director Saw Albert



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December 2013: TFD Chairman Wang Jin-Pyng presents the 2013 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award grant to the Karen Human Rights Group, represented by its Field Director Saw Albert

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December 2013: President Ma, Chairman Wang, and the Karen Human Rights Group Field Director Saw Albert together at the 2013 Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award ceremony



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B. TFD listed in the 2013 Global Go To Think Tank Index & Abridged Report by the Foreign Policy Research Institute and the University of Pennsylvania

The TFD placed 8th among 402 think tanks in 31 countries or territories of Asia and Oceania (excluding China, India, Japan and South Korea) and 1st among 52 Taiwanese think tanks in the 2013 *Global Go To Think Tank Index & Abridged Report* of the Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program, a joint publication of the Foreign Policy Research Institute and the University of Pennsylvania, both of the United States. A total of 6,826 think tanks from 182 countries were evaluated for the report.

C. Participation in International Democracy Networks and Conferences

Besides taking part in international democracy networks as well as democracy and human rights conferences, the TFD works to establish bilateral and multilateral cooperative relationships on issues of democracy and human rights. Participation in such conferences raises Taiwan's profile in international society and allows the nation to share its democratic achievements and experiences with the world. Moreover, the TFD is actively assisting people in Asia to participate in international symposiums and workshops on democracy and human rights. Major conferences and activities in 2013 included:

1. February 16, 2013: Held the *Taiwan Journal of Democracy* Special Issue International Symposium

To celebrate the tenth anniversary of the TFD's establishment, the *Taiwan Journal of Democracy*, an English-language academic journal of the TFD, invited well-known international scholars to write academic essays for a special edition of the publication. The TFD also held an international symposium in Los Angeles, USA on February 16, whose theme was the theories and models of democracy put forward by the famous political philosopher Arend Lijphart, including deliberative democracy; the Westminster model; and consociational and consensual democracy. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang, *Taiwan Journal of Democracy* editor T. J. Cheng and International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Allen Peng all attended the event, where seven scholars, hailing from the U.S., Asia and Europe respectively, reported their latest research. Participants included Russell Dalton, John Fuh-sheng Hsieh, Meredith Weiss, Steven Weldon and Laurence Whitehead.

2. March 1-4, 2013: Participated in the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats' Conferences on Freedom and Women

From March 1-4, the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD) held the "CALD Freedom Conference: Challenges to Fundamental Freedoms" and "CALD Women's Caucus Seminar: Asia and the World: Forging Ties among Women Leaders." Ways to respond to challenges to basic freedoms in Asia and the world and to challenges faced by women were explored, respectively. TFD Vice President Maysing Yang attended the event on invitation and lectured at the women conference's second session "The Role and Work of International Women's Networks."



3. April 27-29, 2013: Participated in the VII Ministerial Conference of the Community of Democracies

At the Community of Democracies' (CD) invitation, TFD Vice President Ching-hsin Yu, Senior Research Fellow Michael Y. M. Kau, International Cooperation Department Director Cheng-Hao Pao and assistant research fellows Hung-Ya Lien and Wei-Tsun Chien, as well as Taiwan Coalition Against Violence President Ching-Li Chang attended the CD's VII Ministerial Conference from April 27-29 in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Besides participating in the conference's many discussions, the delegation convened a preparatory meeting of the East Asia Democracy Network. It also visited the Mongolian Women's Fund and Zorig Foundation, Mongolian nongovernmental organizations which receive grants from the TFD, to better understand how this funding is being used.



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4. May 2-4, 2013: Attended the Tenth Conference of the European Association of Taiwan Studies

At the European Association of Taiwan Studies' (EATS) invitation, TFD President Teh-Fu Huang led a delegation to EATS's tenth annual conference at the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon in France from May 2-4. National Taiwan University Department of Political Science Professor Tzong-Ho Bau and TFD International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Allen Peng accompanied President Huang. Seventeen discussion sessions were held at the conference, and scholars there published more than 50 academic papers, covering major topics such as Taiwanese politics, society, culture, history, and indigenous peoples. President Huang gave a speech during the opening ceremony, and Professor Bau hosted a TFD-sponsored roundtable on Taiwan's security. During the conference, TFD representatives



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interacted with European scholars about their objects of study and discussed the feasibility of future cooperation.

5. July 18-22, 2013: Visited Japan to Observe its House of Councillors Election

On July 21, Japan held an election for the House of Councillors, the upper house of its national legislature. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang led the Foundation's eight-member delegation of observers, which included National Taiwan University Department of Political Science Chair Yeh-lih Wang, Illinois State University (USA) Department of Politics and Government Professor T. Y. Wang, Academia Sinica Institute of Political Science Research Fellow Jih-wen Lin, Tunghai University Interdisciplinary Center for Japanese Studies Director Chen Yung-feng, National Chengchi University Election Study Center Associate Research Fellow Su-feng Cheng, National Taipei University Department of Public Administration and Policy Assistant Professor Jia-wei Liu, and TFD International Cooperation Department Assistant Research Fellow Garlish Shen. The delegation visited the country from July 18-22, chiefly the Tokyo metropolitan area. Besides visiting polling stations and campaign rallies on city streets, the delegates discussed Japan's current policies, the state of its political parties, and its congressional electoral system with famous Japanese scholars and media members.



July 2013: TFD visits Japan to observe its House of Councillors election

6. September 3-4, 2013: Held "The Development of Democracy" Symposium

To increase the TFD's exchange with Central and Eastern European nations, it held a symposium on "The Development of Democracy" in Ljubljana, Slovenia, in tandem with the Slovenia-Taiwan Friendship Association from September 3-4. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang led the Foundation's delegation of conference representatives, which also included TFD Vice President Ching-hsin Yu, National Cheng



September 2013: TFD participates in “The Development of Democracy” symposium in Ljubljana, Slovenia

Kung University Department of Political Science Professor Chih-Chieh Chou, National Chung Cheng University Department of Social Welfare Associate Professor Jen-Der Lue and TFD International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Allen Peng. Slovenian, Austrian, and Bosnian scholars all issued academic papers at the event, and Yu, Chou, and Lue published papers of their own about Taiwan’s democratic development, human rights protections, and social welfare, respectively.

7. September 6-13, 2013: Conducted Exchange with Canadian National Human Rights Institutions

In order to implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and learn from Canada’s experiences in human rights development, the TFD and Mental Health Association Taiwan collaborated and invited Presidential Office Human Rights Consultative Committee members Chang Chueh (Associate Professor, Institute of Health Policy Management, National Taiwan University), Mab Huang (Joseph K. Twanmoh Chair Professor, Department of Political Science, Soochow University), Huang Chun-Chie (Professor, Department of Financial and Economic Law, National Chung Cheng University), and Li Nien-tsu (Partner, Lee and Li, Attorneys-at-Law) to visit Canada together from September 6-13 to conduct exchange on human rights law and related topics. The goal of this activity was to advance the development of Taiwan-Canada relations and fortify their mutual cooperation on human rights.



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8. September 7-15, 2013: Visited India on Invitation by the Tibet Religious Foundation of His Holiness the Dalai Lama

TFD Vice President George W. Tsai, at the invitation of the Tibet Religious Foundation of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, went to Dharamsala and New Delhi from September 7-15 to visit cooperating organizations to which the TFD has awarded grants. In addition to Indian academic institutions and democratic human rights-related NGOs, Tsai had audiences with state dignitaries and officials, expanding Taiwan-India track two diplomacy as well as the Foundation's international exchange.

9. October 5, 2013: Held "The Arab Spring and Its Aftermath" International Symposium

TFD President Teh-Fu Huang, *Taiwan Journal of Democracy* editor T. J. Cheng, and International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Allen Peng traveled to Amman, Jordan to attend "The Arab Spring and Its Aftermath," an international symposium which the Foundation held jointly with the American Center of Oriental Research on October 5. Andrew Y. Chang, Taiwan's representative in Jordan, and President Huang both spoke during the event's opening ceremony. Well-known scholars from the U.S., Middle East, North Africa, and Taiwan were all invited to the event, during which they published academic papers.



October 2013: TFD participates in "The Arab Spring and Its Aftermath" international symposium in Amman, Jordan



10. October 9-11, 2013: Attended the Seventh Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders

This event is held by Front Line Defenders, an international human rights organization founded in 2001 to provide quick and effective support to those defending human rights on the front lines. The group, headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, hosted the Seventh Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders from October 9-11. TFD International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Kar-Yen Leong was the Foundation’s representative for the event, which was attended by 145 human rights defenders from 95 countries, a United Nations Special Rapporteur, and a European Union Special Representative for Human Rights. The state of human rights development in different regions was discussed, and personal experiences of participation in human rights promotion were shared. During the meeting, Leong and Front Line Defenders Executive Director Mary Lawlor exchanged opinions about the possibility of future cooperation on human rights protection.



October 2013: TFD participates in the “Seventh Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders” conference in Dublin, Ireland

11. October 11, 2013: Participated in the International Symposium “Taiwan: Challenges and Achievements”

TFD Vice President Ching-hsin Yu, on invitation by the University of Zagreb Faculty of Political Science, attended the international symposium “Taiwan: Challenges and Achievements” in Zagreb, Croatia on October 11. Vice President Yu gave a keynote lecture at the event about the development and



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consolidation of Taiwan's democracy.

12. October 22, 2013: Attended Asia Democracy Network Founding Assembly

The Asia Democracy Network founding assembly was held in Seoul, South Korea on October 22. Based on the April 30 consensus of the VII Ministerial Conference of the Community of Democracies in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, its main objective was the establishment of an Asia-centered network to promote democracy and human rights. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang led the Foundation's delegation, which also included TFD Senior Research Fellow Michael Y. M. Kau, Vice President Maysing Yang, Vice President Ching-hsin Yu, International Cooperation Department Director Cheng-Hao Pao, Research Fellow Hung-Chung Wang, and Assistant Research Fellow Hung-Ya Lien. Speaking on behalf of the TFD at the assembly, President Huang expressed his congratulations to the Asia Democracy Network and said he is looking forward to its becoming a major platform for gathering together democracy advocates from around Asia and strengthening the region's democracy and human rights.



October 2013: TFD participates in the Asia Democracy Network Founding Assembly in Seoul, South Korea

13. October 24-25, 2013: Held the "Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections" International Symposium

The TFD and the University of Malaya's Institute of China Studies jointly held the "Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections" international symposium in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from October 24-25. Taiwanese, Singaporean, Chinese, and Malaysian scholars attended the event, where they



together investigated the 2012 presidential and legislative elections in Taiwan and the current political situation there. TFD Vice President George W. Tsai led the Foundation's delegation, which also included National Taipei University Department of Public Administration and Policy Professor Yujen Chou and TFD International Cooperation Department Research Fellow Patrick Wu. Through the arrangements of Taiwan's representative office in Malaysia, the TFD delegation also visited the Institute of Strategic and International Studies, a well-known Malaysian think tank.

14. November 6-8, 2013: Participated in the Festival of Democracy

During the Festival of Democracy jointly held by the China Democracy Forum and the University of Sydney's Institute for Democracy and Human Rights, one of the symposiums was "A Beacon of Democracy: Rethinking Taiwan" held from November 6-8. TFD Vice President Maysing Yang served as a panelist.

15. November 11-21, 2013: Visited Chile to Observe its Presidential Election

A five-person TFD delegation visited Chile from November 11-21 to observe its presidential election. The members included TFD President Teh-Fu Huang, Overseas Chinese Culture and Education Foundation Chairman Sung-Pei Wu, Tamkang University Graduate Institute of the Americas Professor Lucía Hsiao-Chuan Chen, National Taiwan University Department of Political Science Professor Yu-Tzung Chang and TFD International Cooperation Department Assistant Research Fellow Wei-Tsun Chien. The delegation shared the knowledge it gained from observing Chile's presidential and National Congress elections with academic institutions and private think tanks; additionally, it liaised with election research centers with which it could carry out cooperation and exchange in the future.

16. November 21-23, 2013: Attended the XVI Session of the Unrepresented Nations and Peoples Organization Presidency and the Conference on Minority Rights

The Unrepresented Nations and Peoples Organization (UNPO) held a Conference on Minority Rights on November 21 and the XVI Session of the UNPO Presidency from November 22-23 in South Africa's parliament building in Cape Town. The UNPO has developed into a prominent and respected organization over the past several years; it helps its members maintain human rights, cultural rights, and the natural environment while providing them a forum that assists them to realize their desire to participate in international society. TFD Vice President Maysing Yang attended the meetings as a representative.

17. November 27, 2013: Participated in the Seminar "Free Trade with Taiwan – Challenges and Opportunities for Taiwan and its Indigenous Peoples"

On November 27 in Brussels, Belgium, the UNPO held a seminar "Free Trade with Taiwan – Challenges and Opportunities for Taiwan and its Indigenous Peoples." TFD International Cooperation Department Director Cheng-Hao Pao represented the Foundation at the event. He took the opportunity to



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◆ International Programs ◆



October 2013: TFD participates in the “Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections” international symposium in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and pays a visit to the Institute of Strategic and International Studies, a well-known Malaysian think tank



November 2013: TFD visits Chile to observe its presidential election



visit cooperating organizations to which the TFD has awarded grants, including the UNPO in Brussels, and People in Need in Prague, Czech Republic.

18. December 18, 2013: Conducted East Asia Democracy Forum Preparatory Meeting

Because East Asia does not yet offer a platform for exchange and cooperation between civil groups, on December 18 the TFD invited representatives of civil groups promoting democracy and human rights in nations such as Taiwan, Mongolia, South Korea, and China to convene in Taiwan to discuss how to establish such a cooperative platform. The groups ultimately reached a consensus to create the East Asia Democracy Forum and hold its founding assembly in September 2014.



December 2013: TFD hosts the East Asia Democracy Forum preparatory meeting

D. Fellowships

The TFD offers four types of fellowships to encourage scholars to undertake theoretical and practical democracy and human rights research: International Visiting Fellowships bring public figures and scholars with experience establishing democratic systems or promoting human rights practices to Taiwan to undertake relevant research. Democracy and Human Rights Service Fellowships offer outstanding civil society workers to come to Taiwan and promote democratic movements or study Taiwan's experiences in democratic development. Postdoctoral and Dissertation Fellowships encourage young scholars to come to Taiwan to research democracy and human rights.



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The scholars who accepted these TFD grants in 2013 and their research subjects were as follows:

International Visiting Fellows

Mr. Jakub Piasecki (Poland)—“Taiwan’s Soft Power and How to Advance its Relationship with the European Union”

Mr. Piasecki works for the European Parliament as a policy advisor and external liaison officer. As the trade relationship between Taiwan and the EU is becoming closer than ever, he is researching how Taiwan’s soft power can advance its relationship with the EU through bilateral trade, whether to keep or abolish the death penalty, and human rights issues.

Mr. Rongli Chen (China)—“Analysis on the Suppression of Democratic Movements by the Judiciary in China and the Judicial Factors in Taiwan’s Democratic Transformation”

Mr. Chen escaped to Taiwan after being imprisoned in China for conducting a democracy movement and is now a doctoral research student at National Taiwan University’s Graduate Institute of National Development. He believes the Communist Party of China-led government’s “judicial reform” is not based on a democratic foundation, and that its major objective is to extend the party’s autocratic control, not protect human rights. Mr. Chen’s research of the Taiwanese judiciary’s role in the nation’s democratic transformation proves the importance of judicial independence.

Dissertation Fellows

Ms. Joan Cho (USA)—“Opposition Strength under Authoritarianism: A Subnational Analysis of South Korea and Taiwan”

The research of Ms. Joan Cho, a doctoral candidate for the Harvard University Department of Government, compares and contrasts the processes of democratization in Taiwan and South Korea through subnational analysis.

Ms. Caterina Gabriella Pavese (Italy)—“Female Deviance and Crime in Contemporary Taiwan”

Ms. Pavese, a doctoral student at the London School of Economics and Political Science, is researching the relationship between the judiciary and deviant and criminal behavior by women in contemporary Taiwan. This includes investigating women’s crimes and types of criminal activity, the manner in which the justice system handles these crimes, and the degree of influence of Taiwanese gender distinctions and organizations on crime by females.

E. International Grants

The TFD provides funding to organizations overseas active in promoting democracy and human



rights. Recipients of TFD's international grants include civil society organizations, think tanks, and academic institutions. The following were the international grants made by the TFD in 2013, organized by type of activity supported.

1. Conferences

- (1) "III Assembly of Civil Society of America: Latin American and Caribbean Network for Democracy 2013 in Honduras," Latin American and Caribbean Network for Democracy (Costa Rica)
- (2) "Community of Democracies Conference 'Creating a Culture of Democracy through Education: A Strategy for Policymakers'," Council for a Community of Democracies (CCD) (USA)
- (3) "The Tenth Annual Conference of the European Association of Taiwan Studies 2013 in Lyon, France," European Association of Taiwan Studies (EATS) (UK)
- (4) "Unlad Pilipinas! – Building Economic Democracy through National Advocacy for Basic Social and Economic Reforms," IBON Foundation (Philippines)
- (5) "Rule of Law in Asia 2013 Conference Program in Hong Kong and Guangzhou," The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation (USA)
- (6) "Create Awareness about Right to Vote," Iraj Education and Development Foundation (Pakistan)
- (7) "Gender Equality and Women Empowerment for Development Conference in South Sudan," Forum for Community Change and Development (FOFCOD) (South Sudan)
- (8) "The Nineteenth Annual Conference of the North American Taiwan Studies Association: Taiwan in Theory," The North American Taiwan Studies Association (NATSA) (USA)
- (9) "International Conference on 'Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections'," Institute of China Studies, University of Malaya (Malaysia)
- (10) "Strengthening Local Democracy through Women's Empowerment," Mongolian Women's Fund (MONES) (Mongolia)
- (11) "Support of 10 Asian Human Rights Defenders to Attend the Seventh Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders at Risk," Front Line-The International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders (Ireland)
- (12) "CALD Youth Festival," Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD) (Philippines)
- (13) "Legal Pluralism, Rule of Law, and Human Rights: Learning from Each Other," University of Ottawa (Canada)
- (14) "UNHCR Annual NGO Consultations: Advocating Together for Protection," Hong Kong Refugee Advice Center (Hong Kong)
- (15) "International Workshop on the Socio-Cultural Dimensions of Human Rights and Migration," Asia-Pacific Mission for Migrants (APMM) (Hong Kong)



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- (16) “II National Human Rights Gathering ‘Social Conflicts and Human Rights – A Latin American Panorama’,” Latin American Mining Monitoring Program (LAMMP) (UK)
- (17) “Young Leaders Program in Taipei, Taiwan,” Pacific Forum CSIS (USA)
- (18) “A Multi-Stakeholders Assessment on the Philippine 2013 Automated Elections,” Center for People Empowerment in Governance (CenPEG) (Philippines)

2. Research and Publication Projects

- (1) “Contact Magazine: Supporting a Free Press for Tibetans in Exile,” Lha Charitable Trust (India)
- (2) “Recent Civil and Political Human Rights Violations in North Korea Report,” People for Successful Corean Reunification (PSCORE) (Korea)

3. Training Programs

- (1) “Enhancing Journalists’ Skills on Human Rights Related Investigative Reporting,” Center for Communication and Development (CCD) (Bangladesh)
- (2) “Workers Electoral Watch (WE Watch): Strengthening Workers’ Participation in the 2013 Elections,” Ecumenical Institute for Labor Education and Research, Inc. (EILER) (Philippines)
- (3) “Advocacy and Capacity Building Program for Youth and Civil Society Organizations on Democracy and Good Governance,” Appropriate Program for Action, Change & Harmony (APPROACH) (Pakistan)
- (4) “Safeguarding the Rights of Children Deprived of Their Liberty in Kenya through Reform on Law and Practice Surrounding Juvenile Rehabilitation Centers and Borstal Institutions,” Solution Seeds Foundation (SSF) (Kenya)
- (5) “Women Workers’ Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Advocacy,” Annisa Swasti Foundation (YASANTI) (Indonesia)
- (6) “Strengthening Youth Leadership for Human Rights and Democracy,” Sindh Community Foundation (SCF) (Pakistan)
- (7) “Strengthening Awareness of Women Groups and Networks for Democracy and Civic Vigilance in Nepal,” Institute for Governance and Development (IGD) (Nepal)
- (8) “Enhancing Capacity of Civil Society for Strengthening Democratic Development in Context of General Election 2013,” Organization for Development & Peace (ODP) (Pakistan)
- (9) “Building Democracy and Peace in Mindanao: Integration of Education, Arts and Livelihood,” Asia America Initiative (USA)
- (10) “Strengthening Human Rights, Democracy and Rule of Law: Annual Human Rights Study Sessions in Bangladesh and Thailand,” Asian Institute for Human Rights (AIHR) (Thailand)
- (11) “Participation of the Marginalized Communities in Elections 2013,” Center for Human Rights Education (CHRE) (Pakistan)



- (12) “ERCCT Visiting Fellow Program,” European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan (Germany)
- (13) “Academic Training of New Democratic Leaders with the Expert Advice of Former Presidents of Latin America,” Global Center for Development and Democracy (CGDD) (Peru)
- (14) “Enhancement of Civic Learning and Civic Engagement among University Students in Bangladesh,” Daffodil International University (Bangladesh)
- (15) “Budget Analysis Group for Accountable and Democratic Governance in Nepal,” Nepal South Asia Center (Nepal)
- (16) “‘Research and Documentation for Mass Atrocity and Conflict Prevention Education Module’ – A Component of the broader African Union Human Rights Memorial,” Justice Africa (UK)
- (17) “Proyecto de Formación Democrática: Capacitación en Cultura Democrática a Estudiantes de Bachillerato entre Quince y Dieciocho Años (considerados los Nuevos Actores Políticos de Ecuador) y a Maestros y Autoridades vinculadas,” Fundación para la Integración y Desarrollo de América Latina (FIDAL) (Ecuador)
- (18) “Training for Eligible Voters,” Rangamati Development Associates (RDA) (Bangladesh)
- (19) “Awareness on Violence against Women in District Mardan,” Community Outreach Program (COPE) (Pakistan)
- (20) “Advocacy and Training of the Civil Society Organizations and Human Rights Activists for the Protection of the Human Rights Defenders,” Harmony Foundation (Pakistan)
- (21) “Internship for Senior Project Managers of Burmese Civil Society Organizations,” People in Need (Czech Republic)
- (22) “Husika Bungeni Imarisha Viwanda Project (Participate in Parliament to Develop Industries),” Africa Youth Trust (Kenya)
- (23) “Support to Increasing Voting Activity and NGOs Active Participation in Voting Processes in Regions,” Social Union of Legal Education of Sumgait Youth (Azerbaijan)
- (24) “Civic Education and Participation for Women of the Mbengwi Central Sub Division,” Vicony’s Global Success World (VGSW) (Cameroon)
- (25) “Sri Lanka Governance Report,” Transparency International Sri Lanka (Sri Lanka)
- (26) “Human Rights Seminars for Village Youths,” Global Family (Burma)
- (27) “Building Youth Capacity for Peace and Good Governance in Plateau and Bauchi States of Nigeria,” New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative (NEEDCSI) (Nigeria)
- (28) “Training Course for Tibetans in Dharamsala,” Geneva for Human Rights-Global Training (Switzerland)

4. Visits and Exchanges



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- (1) “Taiwan and the East China Sea Peace Initiative: Policies, Problems and Prospects,” Missouri State University (USA)
- (2) “European Delegation of the Harvard Project on Asian International Relations (HPAIR) 2013,” The European Delegation, Project Group within the Student Project for Asian and International Relations (SPAIR) (Germany)
- (3) “2013 Ambassador Program,” Formosa Foundation (USA)

5. Other Projects

- (1) “ArtBeat—Using Visual Arts for Democracy and Human Rights Awareness among Children and Young People,” The Little Art (Pakistan)
- (2) “Doing Democracy,” Sambhawana (Nepal)
- (3) “Cross-Taiwan-Strait Relations: Maintaining Peace and Stability through Track II Conferences,” National Committee on American Foreign Policy (NCAFP) (USA)
- (4) “Campaign to End Domestic Violence against Women in Conflict Areas,” Ecolink Women’s Network (EWNNet) (Philippines)
- (5) “Citizen Empowerment on Democratic Governance and Reforms through Implementation of the New Constitution,” Humanity for Orphans, Youth and Widows Initiatives Kenya (HOYWIK) (Kenya)
- (6) “Advocacy for Opposing Violence against Women and Children in Magelang, Central Java,” Sahabat Perempuan (Indonesia)
- (7) “Promoting Human Rights in a Global Setting: A Video Documentary of the International Conference for Human Rights and Peace in the Philippines,” Kodao Productions, Org., Inc. (Philippines)
- (8) “Radio Broadcast to Provide Information to the Cuban People,” Cuban Democratic Directorate (USA)
- (9) “Regional Policy Advocacy for Implementation of Mainstreaming Gender in the District of Banjarnegara: A Mechanism to Ensure the Enforcement of Women’s Rights,” Mitra Wacana WRC (Indonesia)
- (10) “Strengthening Democracy through Civic Education in South Western Uganda,” National Foundation for Democracy and Human Rights in Uganda (NAFODU) (Uganda)
- (11) “Enhancing Equality and the Human Rights of People with Albinism and Other Disabilities and Promoting a More Comprehensive Media Approach on Issues Related to Disabilities,” International Federation of People with Albinism and Blindness (IFPAB) (South Africa)
- (12) “Let Faith Groups Revolutionize Cuba,” Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW) (UK)
- (13) “Protecting and Promoting an Enabling Environment for Civil Society,” CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation (South Africa)
- (14) “Program for Professional Safety of Journalists,” News Network (Bangladesh)



- (15) "Oral History of the Mongolian Democratic Revolution," Zorig Foundation (Mongolia)
- (16) "Talk on Current Affairs," Sound of Hope Radio Network, Inc. (USA)
- (17) "Strengthening Grassroots Democracy and Social Participation," Vanguard for Change (Nigeria)
- (18) "SFT 2013 Summer Leadership Training," Students for a Free Tibet (USA)
- (19) "Developing Capacity of Countryside Stakeholders for Strengthening Transitional Democracy in Nepal," Alliance for Peace and Development Nepal (APDN) (Nepal)
- (20) "Support for the Taiwan Research Center in Slovenia," Taiwan Research Center, Department of Asian and African Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)
- (21) "Increasing Democratic Spaces and the Sharing of Ideas in Latin America," Pan American Development Foundation (USA)
- (22) "Develop Gender-Responsive Union Parishads and Village Courts," Program for Eco-Social Development (PESD) (Bangladesh)
- (23) "Accelerating Collective Action for Democracy and Human Rights," Blue Veins (Pakistan)
- (24) "Electoral Support to the Democratic Republic of Congo: Preventing Violence in Future Elections," Center for the Defense of Human Rights and Democracy (Democratic Republic of Congo)
- (25) "Strengthening Equity and Transparency of Elections in Argentina: A Citizen Monitoring of the 2013 Electoral Process," Center for the Implementation of Public Policies Promoting Equity and Growth (CIPPEC) (Argentina)

◆ International Grants in 2013

Unit: New Taiwan Dollars

Category	Number	Amount	Cases Retained	Amount Retained	Total
Conferences	19	3,237,466	2	248,000	3,485,466
Research and Publication Projects	3	1,152,879	2	235,600	1,388,479
Training Programs	22	2,979,282	7	812,600	3,791,882
Visits and Exchanges	3	823,404	0	0	823,404
Fellowships	4	587,067	0	0	587,067
Other Projects	23	6,062,211	8	1,149,500	7,211,711
Total	74	14,842,309	19	2,445,700	17,288,009



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February 2013: Visit of Associate Professor Lynette H. Ong of the University of Toronto Department of Political Science and Asian Institute accompanied by her students



May 2013: Visit of Dr. Alan Curtis, President and CEO of the Milton S. Eisenhower Foundation, USA



June 2013: Visit of delegation of the International Republican Institute and National Democratic Institute , USA



July 2013: Visit of delegation of senior European Union civil servants



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July 2013: Visit of Ms. Kathleen Mackay, Executive Director of the Canadian Trade Office in Taipei



July 2013: Visit of delegation of Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, Thailand



July 2013: Visit of delegation of the US Republican National Committee



August 2013: Visit of delegation of legislators from Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia



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財團法人臺灣民主基金會



October 2013: Visit of delegation led by former Guatemalan President and Esquipulas Foundation founder Vinicio Cerezo



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財團法人臺灣民主基金會



December 2013: Visit of Professor Hideaki Miyajima, Director of the Waseda Institute for Advanced Study



Domestic Programs

A. Activities executed or contracted by the TFD

1. January 23-26, 2013: In celebration of the TFD's 10th anniversary, the Foundation and the Chinese Association for Human Rights held a winter camp for children's rights from January 23-26. To cultivate awareness and knowledge of children's human rights, the event offered attendees abundant conduits to express and share experiences and knowledge and encouraged them to express their own thoughts, compare what they heard with their own knowledge and experiences, and gain new thinking about human rights concepts.
2. February 1-October 31, 2013: To further implementation of the Indigenous Peoples Basic Law passed in 2005 as well as the UN's International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights approved by Taiwan in 2009, and in keeping with the TFD's 10th anniversary, the TFD and the Taiwan Indigenous Professor Society held a nine-month training camp for future human rights and democratic education instructors for Taiwan's indigenous peoples. University students with interest in democracy, human rights and indigenous issues were gathered, and their critical thinking skills with respect to indigenous affairs were honed. It is hoped that these reserve teachers can become important human resources for advancing aborigines' human rights and democratic education.
3. March 1-May 3, 2013: In celebration of the TFD's 10th anniversary, the Foundation and the Chinese Association for Human Rights jointly conducted a radio program on children's human rights education to cultivate consciousness and knowledge of these rights. The Chinese Association for Human Rights handled the overall planning and execution of administrative matters; 99.7FM Taipei was contracted to produce a program called "Human Rights Magic Wand"; and the TFD shouldered part of the funding responsibility. A new episode of this program was broadcast from 8:30-8:55 p.m. every Friday from March 1 to May 3 for a 10-episode run. The program employed a narrative radio-play format that integrated human rights education topics. To meet its objective of establishing a society based on the culture of human rights, it created opportunities for parents and children to learn about the subject together so that human rights education could begin in the home and the public could connect rights concepts with their daily lives.
4. March 1-November 30, 2013: In celebration of the TFD's 10th anniversary, the Foundation and the Chinese Association for Foreign Spouses & Labors' Voice implemented the nine-month "learning a new culture on location: Taiwanese human rights basic education" program. Through training, hands-on investigations and lecture series, the program encouraged young students to proactively make connections with Southeast Asian immigrants and laborers, help them get to



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- know Taiwan, and collect and pass on their life experiences and emotional stories through written works or photographs. The program hopes to increase Taiwanese youths' ability to empathize with those around them, help internationalize their perspectives, carry out civic education, and urge the Taiwanese public to accept new ethnic groups and befriend them in order to create a more pluralistic and harmonious society.
5. March to December 2013: To step up academic exchange with Hong Kong and pass on Taiwan's experiences with democratization, the TFD and Hong Kong's Chu Hai College of Higher Education Center for Asian Studies invited multiple scholars to Hong Kong to give keynote lectures over the course of ten months. These individuals included Chinese Culture University Department of Advertising Associate Professor Tse-Hsun Niu, National Chengchi University Department of Law Professor Tzong-Der Liou, National Sun Yat-sen University Institute of Political Science Professor and Director Da-Chi Liao, National Taiwan University Department of International Business Associate Professor Hsin-Chang Lu, National Taiwan University Department of Social Work Professor Yeun-Wen Ku, National Chengchi University Department of Law Associate Professor Bruce Y. H. Liao and National Chengchi University Department of Public Administration Professor Don-Yun Chen. Besides propagating the precious achievements of Taiwan's democratic transformation, the exchange and cooperation between the TFD and Chu Hai College of Higher Education contributed to the promotion of the democratization and pluralization of Hong Kong society.
 6. March 7, 2013: The TFD and the Taiwan Coalition Against Violence convened the 2013 national conference on gender violence prevention and healing through the implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). The event took place in the National Taiwan University Hospital International Convention Center on March 7. Suggested strategies for putting CEDAW into action, preventing gender violence, and healing its victims were put forward at the event. CEDAW professional service indicators were examined as well, and relevant civic groups were invited to discuss the results of different gender violence prevention and healing plans. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang attended the conference and spoke during the opening ceremony.
 7. March 16-December 21, 2013: To document experiences during Taiwan's democratic transformation and retain material and documents related to Taiwanese democracy, as well as to celebrate the TFD's 10th anniversary, the Foundation and *Global Views Monthly* together held the "Witness to Democracy in Taiwan" series of forums, which were as follows:
 - (1) March 16: Former President Lee Teng-hui spoke on "the helmsmen of the peaceful democratic revolution."
 - (2) May 4: Former Vice President Vincent Siew spoke about "the economic designers of the democratic transformation."



March 2013: TFD hosted the “Witness to Democracy in Taiwan” series of forums with *Global Views Monthly* magazine (photo courtesy of *Global Views Monthly* magazine)

- (3) May 26: Former Vice President Annette Lu spoke about “the democratic new page of flexible national governance.”
 - (4) June 29: Former Premier Hau Pei-tsun discussed his personal experiences and observations during the democratic transformation.
 - (5) July 20: Former Premier Frank Hsieh spoke about his personal experiences as a participant in democracy movements.
 - (6) September 7: Former Democratic Progressive Party Chairman Shih Ming-teh gave a retrospective on Taiwan’s democratic transformation based on his personal experiences of spending a lifetime pursuing democratic freedoms and stepping forward to resist authority.
 - (7) December 21: Legislative Yuan President and TFD Chairman Wang Jin-Pyng gave a retrospective on the maturation process of Taiwan’s democratic transformation, explained the role the Legislature has played in the development of Taiwanese democracy, and provided his outlook on the future of the nation’s democracy.
8. June 15, 2013: In celebration of its 10th anniversary, the TFD held a roundtable titled “Development of Democracy in Taiwan: Looking Back and Looking Forward” on June 15. Hosted by TFD President Teh-Fu Huang, the forum brought together leaders with profound observations and personal experiences respecting the nation’s democratic development, including



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◆ Domestic Programs ◆



May 2013: TFD hosted the “Witness to Democracy in Taiwan” series of forums with *Global Views Monthly* magazine (photo courtesy of *Global Views Monthly* magazine)



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former DPP Chairman Frank Hsieh, Taiwan Heritage Foundation President Shih-Cheng Huang, 21st Century Foundation Chairman Yu-Jen Kao, senior media commentator Chien-Chuang Wang, and Shih Hsin University Vice President for Academic Affairs Chilik Yu. Everyone shared their insights gleaned from their experiences of Taiwan’s democratic development until today; then they spoke with each other about how to consolidate the precious experiences the nation had had to date and respond to major future challenges.

9. June 15, 2013: In the spirit of implementing the UN’s International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and celebrating the TFD’s 10th anniversary, the TFD hosted the “Human Rights Education and Development in Taiwan” forum, in which representatives from academia, media, and civic groups discussed the direction of Taiwanese human rights education developments and efforts on June 15. TFD President Teh-Fu Huang hosted the event, and nine leaders in diverse aspects of the promotion of human rights education and advocacy were invited to take part: Chinese Association for Human Rights Chairman Yiu-Chen Su, ECPAT (End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes) Taiwan managing director of the board Bernard Y. Kao, Millet Foundation Chairwoman Chih-Huei Huang, National Cheng Kung University Department of Political Science Professor Chih-Chieh Chou, Pearl S. Buck Foundation in Taipei Executive Director Hsiu-Ling Hsiao, Taiwan Coalition Against Violence President Ching-Li



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June 2013: TFD hosts the “Development of Democracy in Taiwan: Looking Back and Looking Forward” roundtable

Chang, former 4-Way Voice Editor-in-Chief Cheng Chang, National Hemei Experimental School President Yi-Hui Lin, and National Chengchi University Department of Law Associate Professor Bruce Y. H. Liao. After introducing their organizations’ chief tasks to each other, the participants discussed the state of human rights education in Taiwan, including successes and dilemmas, and sought more appropriate and effective development approaches.

10. June 17-18, 2013: To analyze East Asian citizens’ diverse knowledge levels and attitudes toward democracy, the TFD, the Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica, and the Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences at National Taiwan University hosted an international symposium “Democracy and Citizen Politics in East Asia” from June 17-18. Fifteen scholars and experts from Taiwan and abroad were invited to publish a total of 15 academic papers using data from the Asian Barometer Survey to explore subjects like East Asian citizens’ political awareness, values, participation, and evaluations as well as voting, political party participation, and political inclusion of youth, women, and disadvantaged groups. The symposium was very fruitful, and it promises to become a major reference for research of the stability of East Asian democracies.

11. June 23-August 17, 2013: In order to teach the descendants of Taiwanese emigrants to other nations about the development of Taiwanese democracy and human rights, since 2006 the TFD has held the “Taiwan Tech Trek” program (also known as the “Migratory Bird Program”) in



partnership with the National Science Council (NSC). In 2013, four students accepted program internship opportunities with the TFD. Interns participated first in visit events arranged by the NSC and attended lectures planned by the TFD to teach them about Taiwan's democracy, diplomatic situation, and development of cross-strait relations and let them know about the nation's successes in promoting human rights. They were then assigned to six-week internships at different social welfare NGOs, where they helped these organizations internationalize and gained better understanding of the NGOs' operational circumstances.



July 2013: "Taiwan Tech Trek" interns participate in a lecture arranged by the TFD

12. July 5, 2013: To further explore the process of Taiwanese democratization as well as challenges and development of local governance, the TFD, Taiwanese Political Science Association, and Taiwan Public Governance Research Center held the "Trends and Challenges in Local Governance: The Taiwan Experience" symposium on July 5. The 12 academic papers published for the event included subjects such as local governments' financial developments, their developments of relationships with other Taiwanese local governments, their disaster prevention and response coordination networks, the future direction of local government research itself, local governments' actions to effect urban transformation, their manpower, the development of theories of local governance, local governments' development of social welfare services, and their information convergence challenges. Important recommendations made at the conference promise to become the basis for future Taiwanese local government reform.



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July 2013: “Trends and Challenges in Local Governance: The Taiwan Experience” symposium

13. July 29-30, 2013: To analyze the development of grassroots democracy and local governance models in Mainland China, the TFD, National Taiwan University Center for China Studies, and National Chengchi University Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies jointly held the “Grassroots Elections and Public Governance in China: Review, Breakthroughs and Prospects” symposium from July 29-30, which explored grassroots elections, democracy within the communist party, and public governance in China. TFD Trustee Cheng-wen Tsai hosted the event. Cross-strait scholars and experts were invited to attend, and 15 academic papers were published for the event. Visits to Taiwanese grassroots agencies and civil society organizations were scheduled for attendees after the symposium concluded. The fruits of the conference promise to become important references for scholars in these fields.

14. August 17-21, 2013: TFD Vice President George W. Tsai, at the invitation of China’s National Society of Taiwan Studies, All-China Federation of Taiwan Compatriots, and Chinese Academy of Social Sciences Institute of Taiwan Studies, visited Shenyang City, Liaoning Province in Mainland China to participate in the “22nd Cross-Strait Symposium” from August 17-21. The theme was “Peaceful Development and Joint Responsibility,” and the organizers invited scholars and experts on cross-strait affairs to suggest paths and mechanisms for deepening the cross-strait relationship, theoretical innovation on peaceful cross-strait development, and private and political cross-strait dialogue.



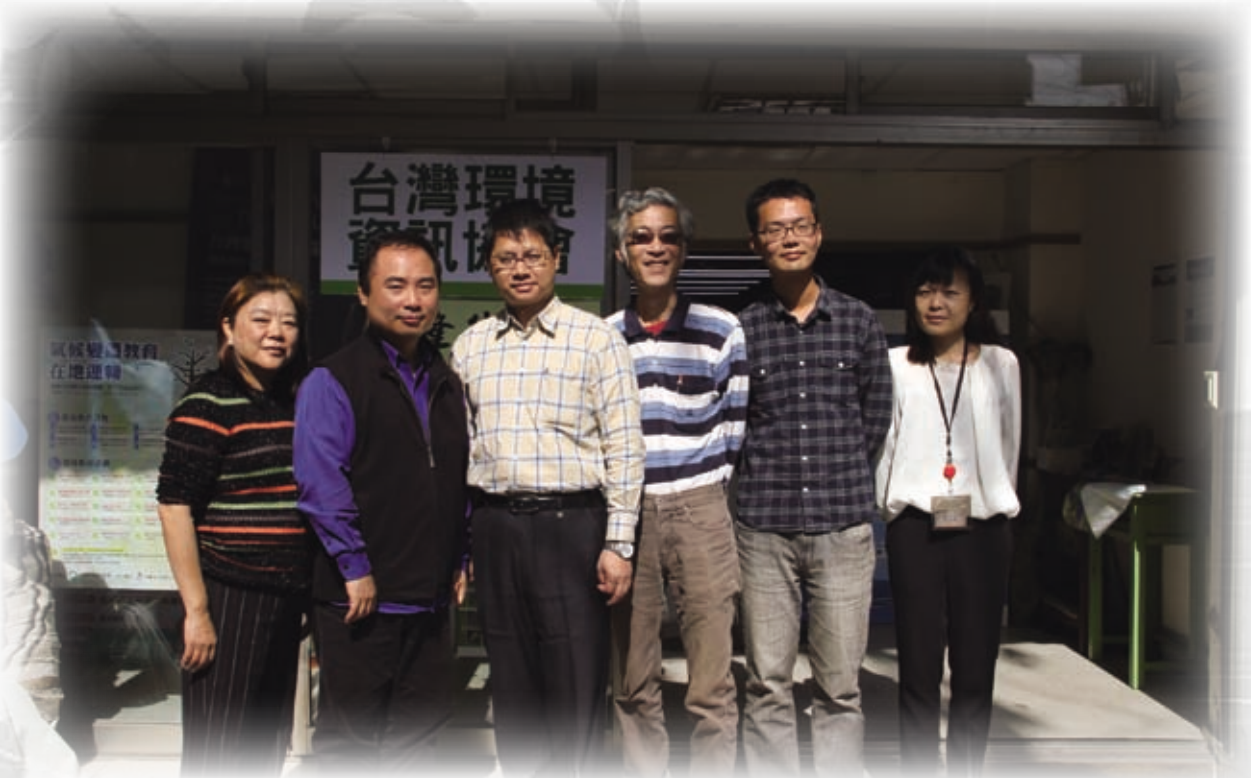
15. September 10, 2013: The immigration of foreign spouses is a major change Taiwanese society has undergone over the past 10-20 years. Although immigration research has attracted the notice of scholars of all fields, universal values of human rights have not yet received sufficient attention in the immigration studies field. Hence, the TFD and National Chung Cheng University Department of Political Science on September 10 held the “Dialogue on Migrant Human Rights – Theory and Practice” symposium and invited numerous scholars to publish papers for it and participate in discussions and dialogues on related subjects. The event was hoped to increase concern for immigrants and draw more attention to the rights that they should have.
16. October 4-8, 2013: In order to increase different Taiwanese social groups’ understanding of the human rights encounters and experiences of peoples and cultures around the world irrespective of political, economic, historical, and geographic boundaries, the TFD and Taiwan Association of Visual Ethnography held the “2013 Taiwan International Ethnographic Film Festival Human Rights Films Promotion Plan” from October 4-8. These movie screenings and discussion forums are hoped to provide social education and promote international exchange while setting down roots for human rights education.
17. October 20-26, 2013: A major aspect of gender equality rights development which has recently become an issue of broad concern among social rights advocates at home and abroad is the protection of the rights of gays and lesbians. Hence, the TFD and True Light Gospel Church held a weeklong seminar, the “Gay and Lesbian Equality International Exchange Activity and Workshop” from October 20-26. U.S. LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) equality activists were invited to attend and conduct discussions and dialogues on the subject, which were held between activists and members of other sectors of society according to a workshop format. Through this exchange, international LGBT rights development was introduced; awareness of Taiwanese human rights was increased; pluralist ideas and civil participation were spurred; and American activists received feedback on “the Taiwanese experience,” making the event an altogether effective teaching and learning tool.
18. November 9-13, 2013: To continue promoting the peaceful development of the cross-strait relationship and put into practice the resolution of the TFD’s trustees and supervisors to establish the Foundation’s authority to research the cross-strait relationship, the TFD and the Shanghai East Asian Institute held the “Conference on the Peaceful Development of Cross-Strait Relations” in Taipei from November 9-13. Shanghai East Asian Institute Director Zhang Nianchi led a mainland Chinese delegation to Taiwan for the event, where cross-strait scholars and experts were invited to publish papers and reports on subjects like politics, economics, education, and strategic security. The cross-strait relationship and problems complicating peaceful development were discussed in order to further advance peace and development between the two sides.



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19. November 21-26, 2013: The TFD and Soochow University Chang Fo-Chuan Center for the Study of Human Rights jointly hosted the Fourth International Conference on Human Rights Education from November 21-26 in the hopes of increasing citizens' interest in and understanding of human rights issues. Legislative Yuan President and TFD Chairman Wang Jin-Pyng as well as former ROC (Taiwan) Vice President Annette Lu spoke at the opening and closing ceremonies of the event respectively. In attendance were 73 scholars from Taiwan and abroad, including the famous professor Abdullahi An-Na'im.

20. November 22-26, 2013: In order to realize and improve the work done by the TFD's domestic grantee organizations, the Foundation conducted site visits to four randomly selected organizations from November 22-26. These visits enabled the TFD to further understand the grantees' actual work situations, organizational structures, financial sources, and the status of execution of their projects, and they also provided an opportunity for grantees to make suggestions regarding the Foundation's administration of domestic grants. This year, the grantees visited were the Pearl S. Buck Foundation in Taipei, Taiwan Environmental Information Association, Bornanew Youth Caring Association, and Chinese Youth International.



November 2013: TFD site visit to the Taiwan Environmental Information Association

21. December 2-3, 2013: In order to more deeply research new-era cross-strait local governance, the TFD and Tsinghua University have established a regular exchange mechanism to hold an annual joint symposium, held in Taiwan and China in alternating years. This year's symposium was held in Taipei from December 2-3, focusing on local industries on both sides of the strait. Cross-strait affairs researchers and experts from institutes like Peking University, Tsinghua University,



Renmin University of China, Shanxi University, National Taiwan University and Academia Sinica, TFD Vice President Ching-hsin Yu and TFD Domestic Affairs Department Director Yu-Tzung Chang were invited to give reports, to publish a total of 14 academic papers for the event, and discussed cross-strait local industry development problems and solutions. After the conference concluded, field visits were made to observe local industry development cases.

B. Domestic Grants

1. Conferences

- (1) Democratic Pacific Union (Taiwan), for “Asia-Pacific Vision Symposium”
- (2) Tunghai University Center for General Education, for “Post-Election Japan: Japanese Politics, Economics and Diplomacy in the Abe Era International Symposium”
- (3) Taiwan National Security Association, for “International Symposium on the Rise of China and the Development of Democracy in the Asia-Pacific Region”
- (4) Association of International Relations (R.O.C.), for “Symposium on Conflict and Peace in a Changing World”
- (5) Chinese Association of Political Science, for “Chinese Association of Political Science Annual Meeting and International Symposium ‘Global Political and Economic Change: State vs. Society, Environment vs. Development, Allocation vs. Justice’”
- (6) Peace Time Foundation of Taiwan, for “GPPAC Northeast Asia 2013 Conference”
- (7) Lee Teng-hui Foundation, for “Seminar on Healthy Local Development and Governance”
- (8) National Sun Yat-sen University Institute of Political Science, for “Taiwanese Political Science Association Annual Meeting and International Symposium ‘Eastern Political Science? – Taiwan’s Experience, China’s Rise, and International Evolution’”
- (9) Lee Teng-hui Association for Democracy, for “Taiwan Cultural Research Symposium”
- (10) National Chi Nan University Department of Public Policy and Administration, for “Taiwan Association for Schools of Public Administration and Affairs Annual Meeting and International Symposium ‘Next Step: Review and Prospects of Public Administration in Taiwan’”
- (11) Chinese Association for Peaceful Development of World Peoples, for “2013 Memorial for Taiwan’s Pioneers”
- (12) National Education Association of the Republic of China, for “2013 Taiwan-Japan Education Symposium”
- (13) Business & Professional Women Taiwan, for “Maritime Peace and Sustainable Development International Forum”
- (14) Taiwan Competitiveness Forum, for “4th Cross-Strait Competitiveness Forum”
- (15) Taiwan Administrative Law Association, for “2013 4th Cross-Strait, Four-Area Administrative Law Symposium”



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September 2013: TFD provides grant support to the Garden of Hope Foundation, for the “2013 International Forum on Combating Human Trafficking” (photo courtesy of the Garden of Hope Foundation)

- (16) The Garden of Hope Foundation, for “2013 International Forum on Combating Human Trafficking”
- (17) National Sun Yat-sen University Institute of China and Asia-Pacific Studies, for “2013 Asia-Pacific Regional Studies Symposium”
- (18) National Chengchi University Department of Political Science, for “9th Cross-Strait, Four-Area International Symposium on Public Administration: ‘People-Oriented’ Public Administration”
- (19) University of Taipei Department of Social and Public Affairs, for “2013 Symposium on Social and Public Affairs – A Beautiful New Generation of Sustainable Development and Public Participation”
- (20) Taiwan International Studies Association, for “Symposium on the Rise of Vietnam”
- (21) National Taipei University College of Law, for “The Second Flying Kite International Symposium on ‘Retrospective and Prospects for Democracy and the Rule of Law in the Era of Globalization – Changes to Nominate Contracts and Freedom of Contract””
- (22) Nanhua University Department of International and China Studies, for “2013 China Studies Annual Meeting and Symposium ‘Mainland China under Xi and Li””
- (23) Zhi-Shan Foundation Taiwan, for “2013 Annual Conference and Training Workshop for the Development of Civil Organizations in Northeast Asia”
- (24) The Prison Fellowship Taiwan, for “Seminar and Workshop on Restorative Justice and Judiciary Human Rights”



- (25) National Sun Yat-sen University Center for Japanese Studies, for “International Symposium on New Policies and Challenges in the Abe Administration: Political and Economic Reform and Foreign Policy”
- (26) The Association of DAAD-Friends Taiwan, for “2013 Germany-East Asia Legal Symposium”
- (27) Taiwan Tibetan Welfare Association, for “International Symposium on Tibetan Self-Immolation and the Resolution of Human Rights and Freedom of Religion”

2. Research and Publication Projects

- (1) Shih Hsin University Institute of Knowledge Economy Development, for “2013 Survey of Taiwan Democracy, Freedom and Human Rights Indicators”
- (2) Shih Hsin University, for “2013 Investigation into the Extent of Corruption in Taiwan”
- (3) Taiwan Association for China Human Rights, for “Publication Plan for the Book of Living and Dying in China”
- (4) 21st Century Foundation, for “Impact Analysis of ECFA on Taiwanese Industry”
- (5) National Chengchi University College of Social Sciences Center for Economic Policy Studies, for “Research into Taiwanese Businesspeople’s Human Rights in China”
- (6) Taiwan Zheng Fa Association, for “Autonomy in Mainland Chinese Private Institutions of Higher Education: the Case of Private Universities and Colleges in Fujian Province”

3. Training Programs

- (1) University of Taipei General Education Center, for “On-Campus Human Rights and Democracy Education Activities Program”
- (2) Institute for National Policy Research, for “Towards a Civil Society Series – Eighth Training Camp for Young Leaders in Diplomacy”
- (3) Awakening Foundation, for “Civil Law Hotline and Self-Empowerment of Volunteers for Reproductive Autonomy Initiatives Troupe Program”
- (4) Taipei Awakening Foundation, for “She Stands Up! 2013 Women Leaders Training Camp”
- (5) Tamkang University Graduate Institute of China Studies, for “2013 2nd Cross-Strait Youth Leadership Camp: A Global Vision – Challenges and Responses for Cross-Strait Youth”
- (6) Taiwan Women’s Link, for “8th Women’s Health Camp: Gender Empowerment”
- (7) National Sun Yat-sen University Department of Sociology, for “Youth Empowerment for Community Involvement and Social Fieldwork in Cijin”
- (8) Taiwan Mountaineering Education Association, for “2013 Forum on Mountain Education and Rescue Mechanisms”
- (9) New Culture Foundation, for “22nd New Culture Training Camp”
- (10) Tamkang University Center for Advanced Technology, for “Cross-Strait Political and



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Economic Affairs Camp"

- (11) Foundation for the Advancement of Media Excellence, for "2013 Investigative Reporting Workshop"
- (12) New School for Democracy, for "Democratic Culture Empowerment Program"
- (13) Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology Institute of Financial and Economic Law, for "Symposium on Personal Information Protection Law and Management Mechanisms"
- (14) Taiwan Media Watch, for "2013 Media Watch: Thursday Media Seminar Series"
- (15) Amnesty International Taiwan, for "Workshop on Grassroots Empowerment for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights"
- (16) National Taiwan Normal University Graduate Institute of European Cultures and Tourism, for "British Culture and Tourism Management Internship Program"
- (17) Chinese Taiwan Christian Kuang-Ye Association, for "Legal and Cultural Life Education Seminar"
- (18) Taiwan Association of Social Workers, for "2013 San Francisco Women's Rights Protection and Social Work Seminar"

4. Visits and Exchanges

- (1) Sino-American Cultural and Economic Association, for "Taipei Sino-American Cultural and



April 2013: TFD provides grant support to the Pingtung County Makapahay Cultural Association, for the “Plan to Enhance the International Participation and Power of Taiwan’s Indigenous Women” (photo courtesy of the Pingtung County Makapahay Cultural Association)

Economic Association 2013 Academic Delegation to Beijing and Xiamen”

- (2) Police Research Association, for “11th Freedom Network USA Annual Conference ‘Confronting Human Trafficking: Defining Priorities in 2013’”
- (3) Taiwan Jurist Association, for “Cross-Strait Exchange Program on Judicial Systems and Experience”
- (4) Mental Health Association Taiwan, for “Exchange with Canadian National Human Rights Institutions”
- (5) Hunters’ School Association, for “The View from Two Mountains: 2013 Philippines Cordillera Day International Indigenous Tribal Cultural Exchange”
- (6) Hualien County Indigenous Peoples Public Affairs Association, for “12th Session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Preparatory Meeting”
- (7) International Association for Integration Dignity and Economic Advancement (IDEA) Taiwan, for “18th International Leprosy Congress”
- (8) Taipei Legislative Yuan Assistants’ Union, for “Legislative Yuan Assistants’ 2013 Mainland China Trip”
- (9) Tibetan Refugee Self Help Center, Taiwan Office, for “Participation in the ‘Human Rights, Democracy, and Freedom under China’s New Leadership’ International Symposium”
- (10) Pingtung County Makapahay Cultural Association, for “Plan to Enhance the International Participation and Power of Taiwan’s Indigenous Women”



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November 2013: TFD provides grant support to the Tao Foundation, for “Participation in the 1st Asia Parks Congress in Sendai, Japan” (photo courtesy of the Tao Foundation)

- (11) Tao Foundation, for “Participation in the 1st Asia Parks Congress in Sendai, Japan”
- (12) The Environmental Protection Society of the Republic of China, for “Participation in International Activities and Conferences to Promote Environmental Democracy and Diplomacy”
- (13) Taiwan Indigenous Peoples’ Volunteer Services International Exchange Association, for “Maori Te Ataarangi Language Training Symposium and Family Visit in New Zealand”
- (14) Taiwan AIDS Foundation, for “11th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP11) and Youth Training Workshop Program”
- (15) Asia University, for “Inter-Collegiate International Volunteers Union Program”
- (16) Modern Women’s Foundation, for “50th Anniversary Conference of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts”
- (17) National Changhua University of Education Department of Guidance & Counseling, for “From Global to Local (G2L) Training and Mentoring Program on CEDAW Convention in Geneva”
- (18) Taiwan Youth Anti-Communist Corps, for “Conference on Human Rights and Minority Rights in China”
- (19) Taichung Heping District Health Promotion Association, for “21st International Community Safety Conference”
- (20) National Taiwan University College of Social Sciences Branch Office of Student Affairs, for “2013 World Model United Nations Conference”
- (21) National Chung Cheng University Institute of Strategic and International Affairs, for “Taiwan



Visit by U.S. Scholar John S. Duffield”

5. Other Projects

- (1) Taiwan Provincial Consultative Council, for “2013 Taiwan Provincial Assembly Historical Archives Touring Exhibition”
- (2) Wei De Cultural Association, for “Taiwan Visit by UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Judy Collins”
- (3) Taichung County De Ming Charitable Organization, for “Warm and Thankful Heart—Mother’s Day in Taiwan”
- (4) Taipei Association for the Promotion of Women’s Rights, for “Establishing a Friendly Campus Environment for Unintended Pregnancies”
- (5) Taiwan Women’s Film Association, for “20th Women Make Waves Film Festival, Taiwan”
- (6) Taipei Women’s Rescue Foundation, for “‘Comfort Women Wanted’ Exhibition”
- (7) Caritas Taiwan, for “2013 Northern Thailand Folk Arts and Diabolo Instruction”
- (8) The Foundation for Excellent Journalism Award, for “12th Excellent Journalism Award Ceremony”
- (9) Tibet Religious Foundation of His Holiness The Dalai Lama, for “Dharamsala Internship for Taiwanese Youth”
- (10) New Taipei City Dynamic Hope Development Association, for “2013 World Peace Assembly”
- (11) Taiwan Secondary Education Association, for “2013 Cross-Strait Senior High School Students Debate Competition”
- (12) Yilan County Leadership Development Association, for “2013 Caring for Cambodia—International Volunteer Service Training Program”
- (13) World Citizens Cultural Association, for “International Human Rights Exchange and Civic Education Plan”
- (14) Bornanew Youth Caring Association, for “Juvenile Inmate Character Assessment and Parolee Tracking Program”



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◆ Domestic Grants in 2013

Unit: New Taiwan Dollars

Category	Number	Amount	Cases Retained	Amount Retained	Total
Conferences	46	8,120,203	4	832,556	8,952,759
Research and Publication Projects	6	1,471,496	0	0	1,471,496
Training Programs	17	1,387,540	1	300,000	1,687,540
Visits and Exchanges	21	2,654,074	0	0	2,654,074
Other Projects	46	8,578,642	2	350,000	8,928,642
Total	136	22,211,955	7	1,482,556	23,694,511

◆ Domestic Programs ◆



Political Party Programs

The TFD assisted Taiwan's major political parties in programs and activities related to human rights and democracy. In 2013, highlights included:

1. Chinese Nationalist Party (KMT): friendship mission to the United States, think tank exchange programs with France and Spain, delegation to the 2013 International Young Democrat Union Annual Council Meeting in Albania, think tank exchange program with Japan, and an inspection tour of rights of Taiwanese businesspeople in Mainland China.
2. Democratic Progressive Party (DPP): participation in the 190th Liberal International Executive Committee Meeting, DPP delegation to the United States, 2013 election observation delegation to the Philippines, observation delegation to Japan for TPP negotiations, and 2013 delegation to Cambodia for democratic development observation.
3. Taiwan Solidarity Union (TSU): delegation to the World Taiwanese Chambers of Commerce General Meeting, and delegation to the Southeast United States and Western North America for meetings and events with overseas Taiwanese communities.
4. People First Party (PFP): organization of the 1st and 2nd "Sound Elections and Societal Improvement" lecture series

◆ Allocation of Grants to Political Parties in 2013

Unit: New Taiwan Dollars

Party	2013 Quota Allocation	2013 Quota Proportion	2013 Actual Grants Total	Number of Cases	Amount Retained into 2014	Cases Retained	Total Amount Approved	Total Cases
KMT	16,246,535	58.56%	14,763,007	33	1,400,000	2	16,163,007	35
DPP	9,998,721	36.04%	7,775,364	21	2,223,357	6	9,998,721	27
TSU	749,072	2.70%	749,072	2	0	0	749,072	2
PFP	749,072	2.70%	659,909	1	89,163	1	749,072	2
Total	27,743,400	100%	23,947,352	57	3,712,520	9	27,659,872	66



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China Democracy and Human Rights Programs

A. Activities executed by the TFD

1. January – December, 2013: *China Human Rights Report 2013*

Due to concern over Mainland China's human rights development, since 2004 the Foundation has annually published the *China Human Rights Report* to assess the human rights conditions in Mainland China. For the 2013 edition of the *Report*, seven principal authors – Ming Lee, Chien-Kuo Pang, Pei-Yi Liu, Kung-Chung Liu, Chin-Tsai Liu, Kai-Huang Yang, and Chih-Chieh Chou – were invited to carry out assessments and present reports about Mainland China's human rights conditions in terms of overall rights, society, politics, the judiciary, the economy and environment, education and culture, and treatment of Taiwanese businesspeople, respectively.

B. Grants

1. Beijing Spring Magazine (USA), to support continued publication of *Beijing Spring* magazine
2. Initiatives for China (USA), for the “Eighth InterEthnic InterFaith Leadership Conference”
3. Laogai Research Foundation (USA), for publication of *Capital Punishment and Organ Transplantation in China*
4. Center for Modern China Foundation (USA), for publication of *Modern China Studies*
5. Thin & High (USA), for publication and exhibition of *Pictures of Petitioners in Mainland China*
6. China Democracy Forum (Australia), for the “Second Symposium of the China Democracy Forum”
7. Forum for a Democratic China and Asia (Germany), for the “Sixth Conference on Global Support for Democratization in China and Asia”
8. I O Cultural Network e.V. (Germany), for the “Bald Girls Pioneer Forum” in Beijing
9. Information Center for Human Rights & Democracy (Hong Kong), for “Improving Human Rights in China through Global Distribution of China Human Rights News”
10. Chinese Aizhixing Limited (Hong Kong), for “Improving and Monitoring Public Policy Advocacy to Reduce the Impact of AIDS on Children in China”
11. Civil Rights and Livelihood Watch (China), for “Civil Rights and Livelihood Watch 2013 Work Plan”
12. Human Rights Campaign in China (China), for “2013 Emergency Rescue Hotline for Front-line Rights Activists”



December 2013: *China Human Rights Report 2013* end-of-term summary report and coordination meeting

◆ China Democracy and Human Rights Programs ◆



April 2013: Visit of delegation of young political party leaders from Hong Kong



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◆ China Democracy and Human Rights Programs ◆



July 2013: Visit of Chinese civil rights activist and lawyer Chen Guangcheng



July 2013: Visit of Beijing Aizhixing Institute of Health Education founder and Director Wan Yanhai



Publications

All publications listed below are available for download from the TFD's website.

1. *Taiwan Democracy Quarterly* is the Foundation's longest-running and most important publication. It focuses on the study of democracy and human rights. *Taiwan Democracy Quarterly* began publication in 2004 and has been listed in the Taiwan Social Science Citation Index (TSSCI) since 2008. In 2013, the following issues were published:

- 31 March: Volume 10, No. 1
- 30 June: Volume 10, No. 2
- 30 September: Volume 10, No. 3
- 31 December: Volume 10, No. 4





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2. In 2005, the Foundation started its official English publication, the *Taiwan Journal of Democracy*, published semiannually with an international editorial board. In 2013, we celebrated the Foundation's 10th anniversary by adding a special issue to the publication schedule:

- 31 May: Special Issue
- 31 July: Volume 9, No. 1
- 31 December: Volume 9, No. 2

◆ Publications ◆





3. Due to concern for the improvement of human rights in Mainland China, since 2004 the Foundation has annually published the *China Human Rights Report*. In May 2013, the Chinese and English editions of the *China Human Rights Report 2012* were published.





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4. In 2013, the Foundation released two publications on human and women's rights, in cooperation with international human rights scholars and the Taiwan Coalition Against Violence:

December: *Quest for Equality: Taiwan's Unilateral Implementation of UN Covenants on Human Rights*

December: *Promises and Action – Implementation of CEDAW to End Gender-Based Violence*





Information Department

The Information Department's main functions include the following:

1. Maintaining and managing the TFD's website and updating information on the website.
2. Planning and implementing SSL VPN services with enhanced scope and availability.
3. Implementing information security training and guidance programs to strengthen information security practices among TFD staff.
4. Establishing physical separation of TFD staff computer hardware in order to strengthen the security of confidential information.
5. Providing Anti-Spam/Anti-Virus defense mechanisms for email services.
6. Maintaining and managing network infrastructure and systems.
7. Providing advanced security for TFD staff, as well as providing security updates to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as needed.
8. Amending the TFD's "Information Security Policy," based on the related laws and regulations of government agencies.
9. Developing and maintaining digital content, and organizing a digital photo archive of the year's events.
10. Keeping up with information technology development trends, and planning a forward-thinking data environment.
11. Providing the computer software, hardware and peripherals suited for the needs of the TFD staff, as well as providing installation, operational support, and troubleshooting and maintenance of internet connectivity facilities.
12. Maintaining a digital content management system and an electronic newsletter system to update the public with the most current activities and programs of the TFD, as well as raising the TFD's media visibility.



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Financial Report

From 1 January to 31 December 2013

A. Assets and Liabilities, Funds, and Balance

(1) Assets

At the end of 2013, total assets were 143,730,261 NTD, comprised of:

- (a) Current assets: 47,383,271 NTD (45,801,541 NTD in cash and bank deposits, 358,736 NTD in loans and 1,222,994 NTD in advancements)
- (b) Funds: 65,000,000 NTD
- (c) Fixed assets: 28,239,568 NTD
- (d) Other assets: 3,107,422 NTD (565,478 NTD in intangible assets, 2,541,944 NTD in furnishings)

(2) Liabilities

At the end of 2013, total liabilities were 40,912,041 NTD, comprised of:

- (a) Accrued expenses: 260,572 NTD
- (b) Receipts payable: 31,809,840 NTD
- (c) Receipts under custody: 529,853 NTD
- (d) Advance receipts: 8,311,776 NTD

(3) Funds and Balance

At the end of 2013, the total balance was 102,818,220 NTD, comprised of:

- (a) Establishment fund: 30,000,000 NTD
- (b) Other funds: 73,110,457 NTD
- (c) Accumulated deficit: -292,237 NTD

B. Revenue and Expenses

(1) Revenue

At the end of 2013, total revenue was 109,610,834 NTD, comprised of:

- (a) Donation revenue: 108,817,602 NTD
- (b) Interest revenue: 793,232 NTD

(2) Expenses

At the end of 2013, total expenses were 114,383,707 NTD, comprised of:

- (a) Administrative expenses: 28,018,035 NTD
- (b) Programs: 86,365,672 NTD

C. Balance

At the end of 2013, the total revenue of 109,610,834 NTD minus the total expenses of 114,383,707 NTD equaled -4,772,873 NTD. Combined with the 4,480,636 NTD surplus from the previous year, the accumulated deficit was -292,237 NTD.



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Conclusion

As a result of globalization, which is causing country-to-country exchanges and flows of information to grow at an increasing rate, the universal values of freedom, democracy, and human rights are reaching every corner of the globe. As the first national democracy assistance foundation in Asia, and based upon its founding principles, the TFD will continue to deepen Taiwan's democratic development, uphold a future of freedom, peace, and prosperity, and support democratization in Asia, including Mainland China. Both a democratic Taiwan and a democratic China are needed to bring peaceful and stable development to the Asia Pacific region. Of course, the TFD will continue to promote cooperation with democratic forces around the world, expand Taiwan's international space, and devote itself to the development of democracy worldwide.





Appendix 1: 2013 Chronology

Y/M/D	
2013/02/16	Held the <i>Taiwan Journal of Democracy</i> Special Issue international symposium
2013/02/19	Visit of Associate Professor Lynette H. Ong of the University of Toronto Department of Political Science and Asian Institute accompanied by her students
2013/03/16-12/21	Jointly hosted the “Witness to Democracy in Taiwan” series of forums with <i>Global Views Monthly</i> magazine
2013/03/21	Second joint session of the fourth-term Boards of Trustees and Supervisors
2013/04/03	Visit of delegation of young political party leaders from Hong Kong
2013/04/27-29	Participation in the Community of Democracies’ VII Ministerial Conference in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
2013/05/28	Visit of Dr. Alan Curtis, President and CEO of the Milton S. Eisenhower Foundation, USA
2013/06/15	Held the “Development of Democracy in Taiwan: Looking Back and Looking Forward” roundtable and the “Human Rights Education and Development in Taiwan” forum
2013/06/16	Celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy’s establishment
2013/06/23-08/17	Participation in the National Science Council’s “2013 Taiwan Tech Trek” program (“Migratory Bird Program”)
2013/06/27	Visit of delegation of the International Republican Institute and National Democratic Institute, USA
2013/07/03	Visit of delegation of senior European Union civil servants
2013/07/04	Visit of Ms. Kathleen Mackay, Executive Director of the Canadian Trade Office in Taipei
2013/07/05	Jointly hosted the “Trends and Challenges in Local Governance: The Taiwan Experience” symposium with the Taiwanese Political Science Association and the Taiwan Public Governance Research Center
2013/07/09	Visit of delegation of Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, Thailand
2013/07/10	Visit of Chinese civil rights activist and lawyer Chen Guangcheng
2013/07/17	Visit of delegation of the US Republican National Committee
2013/07/18-22	Observation of Japan’s House of Councillors election
2013/07/29-30	Jointly hosted the “Grassroots Elections and Public Governance in China: Review, Breakthroughs and Prospects” symposium with the National Taiwan University Center for China Studies and the National Chengchi University Graduate Institute of East Asian Studies
2013/08/05	Visit of delegation of legislators from Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia
2013/09/03-04	Jointly hosted “The Development of Democracy” symposium with the Slovenia-Taiwan Friendship Association in Ljubljana, Slovenia
2013/09/10	Jointly hosted the “Dialogue on Migrant Human Rights – Theory and Practice” symposium with the National Chung Cheng University Department of Political Science
2013/09/25	Third joint session of the fourth-term Boards of Trustees and Supervisors
2013/10/09	Visit of delegation led by former Guatemalan President and Esquipulas Foundation founder Vinicio Cerezo
2013/10/09-11	Participation in the “Seventh Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders” conference in Dublin, Ireland
2013/10/22	Participation in the Asia Democracy Network Founding Assembly in Seoul, South Korea
2013/10/24-25	Jointly hosted the “Democracy in Taiwan: Looking at the 2012 Elections” international symposium with the University of Malaya’s Institute of China Studies in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
2013/11/09-13	Jointly hosted the “Conference on the Peaceful Development of Cross-Strait Relations” with the Shanghai East Asian Institute
2013/11/11-21	Observation of Chile’s presidential election
2013/11/21-26	Jointly hosted the “Fourth International Conference on Human Rights Education” with the Soochow University Chang Fo-Chuan Center for the Study of Human Rights
2013/12/10	The Eighth Asia Democracy and Human Rights Award ceremony
2013/12/13	Visit of Professor Hideaki Miyajima, Director of the Waseda Institute for Advanced Study
2013/12/18	Held the East Asia Democracy Forum preparatory meeting



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Appendix 2: 2013 Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report

The following financial statements are a translation of the original statements as audited and certified on 16 April 2014 by: Solomon & Co., CPAs (3F-1, No. 237, Sec. 1, Fuxing S. Rd., Taipei City 106, Taiwan (R.O.C.), <http://www.slmcpas.com.tw>).

A. Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Statement of Financial Position

	Unit: NTD	
	31 Dec. 2012	31 Dec. 2013
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	75,827,522	45,801,541
Other Receivables	435,027	358,736
Prepayments	<u>2,000,238</u>	<u>1,222,994</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>78,262,787</u>	<u>47,383,271</u>
Funds	<u>60,000,000</u>	<u>65,000,000</u>
Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>11,414,075</u>	<u>28,239,568</u>
Other Assets		
Office Furnishings	2,541,944	2,541,944
Intangible Assets	<u>964,358</u>	<u>565,478</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>3,506,302</u>	<u>3,107,422</u>
Total Assets	<u>153,183,164</u>	<u>143,730,261</u>
LIABILITIES, FUNDS AND BALANCE		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	114,222	260,572
Receipts Payable	8,224,902	31,809,840
Receipts Under Custody	1,346,493	529,853
Advance Receipts	<u>62,899,172</u>	<u>8,311,776</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>72,584,789</u>	<u>40,912,041</u>
Funds and Balance		
Establishment Fund	30,000,000	30,000,000
Other Funds	46,117,739	73,110,457
Accumulated Surplus	<u>4,480,636</u>	<u>(292,237)</u>
Total Funds and Balance	<u>80,598,375</u>	<u>102,818,220</u>
Total Liabilities, Funds and Balance	<u>153,183,164</u>	<u>143,730,261</u>



B. Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Balance Statement

	Unit: NTD	
	2012	2013
Revenue		
Donation Revenue	120,985,983	144,602,398
Interest Revenue	751,372	793,232
Total Revenue	<u>121,737,355</u>	<u>145,395,630</u>
Operating Expenses		
Grant Expenses	63,108,242	76,917,219
Conference Expenses	9,374,074	20,042,987
Payroll Expenses	15,543,390	14,185,941
Travel Expenses	13,779,146	7,533,245
Various Depreciation and Amortization	2,674,784	5,566,105
Part-time Compensation	2,494,000	3,924,000
Repairs and Maintenance Expenses	1,248,802	2,739,312
Professional Service Expenses	2,563,132	2,417,218
Insurance Expenses	1,526,328	2,392,578
Postage and Telecommunications	1,761,864	1,836,293
Activity Expenses	92,267	1,765,493
Rental Expenses	1,876,370	1,723,322
Printing Expenses	1,057,144	1,556,568
Fees Paid to Contributing Authors	1,161,337	1,384,067
Temporary Staff Compensation	1,292,170	1,019,940
Retirement Funds	982,092	966,796
Utilities Expenses	397,143	900,488
Gifts	0	608,800
Protocol and Dining Expenses	519,133	597,765
Review Expenses	318,075	232,400
Office Supplies	145,000	156,683
Shipping Expenses	69,676	154,694
Employee Benefits	77,600	53,570
Compensation Payable to Trustees and Supervisors	44,000	44,000
Advertising Expenses	4,200	4,200
Outsourced Programs Expenses	288,000	0
Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>1,261,444</u>	<u>1,443,967</u>
Subtotal	<u>123,659,413</u>	<u>150,167,651</u>
Non-Operating Revenue		
Currency Exchange Gains	3,787	3,828
Non-Operating Expenses		
Currency Exchange Losses	<u>5,141</u>	<u>4,680</u>
Balance	<u>(1,923,412)</u>	<u>(4,772,873)</u>



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Background

Taiwan's peaceful transition to democracy is not only a historical accomplishment for its twenty-three million people, but a landmark in the worldwide spread of democracy. Only after years of struggle and effort could this transformation take place. We must never forget this history, for it shapes the cornerstone of our continued commitment to the principles of democracy and human rights.

The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD) was established with an inter-related, two-tracked mission in mind. Domestically, the TFD strives to play a positive role in consolidating Taiwan's democracy and fortifying its commitment to human rights; internationally, the Foundation hopes to become a strong link in the world's democratic network, joining forces with related organizations around the world. Through the years, Taiwan has received valuable long-term assistance and stalwart support from the international community, and it is now time to repay that community for all of its efforts.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs initiated the TFD project in 2002. After much research and careful evaluation, the Ministry integrated the required resources from many sectors of society. In January 2003, the Ministry obtained the support of all political parties to pass the budget for the Foundation in the legislature. The TFD formally came into being on June 17, 2003, with its first meeting of the Board of Trustees and Supervisory Board. At that meeting, Legislative Yuan President Wang Jin-Pyng was elected its first chairman. According to its By-laws, the TFD is governed by a total of seventeen trustees and five supervisors, representing political parties, the government, academia, nongovernmental organizations, and the business sector.

Mission

The TFD is the first democracy assistance foundation to be established in Asia, and is devoted to strengthening democracy and human rights in Taiwan and abroad. Its primary concerns are to further consolidate Taiwan's democratic system, promote democracy in Asia, and actively participate in the global democratic network.

The TFD will put its ideals into practice through farsighted, transparent, and non-partisan management. Building on the strength of both political parties and civil society, the TFD will enable Taiwan to positively contribute to the worldwide movement for democracy. According to its By-laws, the Foundation's mission is as follows:

- Work with the international community to strengthen democracy around the globe and expand Taiwan's participation in international activities;
- Support democratization in Asia and the rest of the world by establishing close relationships with leaders of the world's democracies and cooperative partnerships with civil society groups, political parties, think tanks, and nongovernmental organizations in democratic countries; and
- Elevate Taiwan's democracy and further consolidate its democratic development by promoting education in democracy and international exchanges among academic circles, think tanks, parliaments, and political parties from the world over.

Our Tasks

The primary source of funding for the TFD is the government. However, it is independently incorporated, non-partisan, and non-profit. According to its By-laws, the Foundation may accept international and domestic donations. One-third of its budget is reserved for Taiwan's political parties, supporting their own international and local initiatives that are in line with the mission of the TFD. The remaining budget is used for the TFD core activities, including:

- Building relationships with related institutions around the world;
- Participating actively in the global promotion of democracy and supporting the improvement of human rights conditions;
- Supporting democracy promotion activities of NGOs and academic institutions;
- Promoting research and publications on democratic developments at home and abroad; and
- Holding seminars, workshops, conferences, and other educational activities in the area of democracy and human rights.



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