

TAIWAN NEWSLETTER

President Tsai meets delegation of scholars from think tanks based in Washington, D.C.

On the morning of March 11, President Tsai Ing-wen met with a delegation of scholars from think tanks based in Washington, DC. In remarks, President Tsai thanked the scholars for their longstanding interest in the situation across the Taiwan Strait and for their research reports, which have given the international community a better understanding of Taiwan and the critical role it plays in the region. The president emphasized that the US is an important partner for Taiwan in matters of security, economics, and trade, and said she hopes to continue advancing the coop-



eration. She also asked the scholars to exert their influence to help Taiwan and the US further deepen the partnership across many domains, allowing both to make even greater contributions to regional prosperity and development.

MOFA thanks IPAC for new initiative supporting Taiwan

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) thanked the Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China (IPAC) March 8 for its Operation MIST that calls on leaders around the world to measure the impact of a shock in the Taiwan Strait. In the short video released the same day

by the global alliance of politicians, 17 lawmakers stressed that securing stability across the strait is the responsibility of all. The parliamentarians hail from the EU and 13 countries including Canada, France, Japan, and the U.K. According to IPAC, a blockade of the strait could cost the glob-

al economy US\$10 trillion. The ministry urged like-minded partners to continue working with Taiwan to ensure peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific and safeguard the shared values of the democratic world.

Taiwan, US stage GCTF workshop in Switzerland

A workshop on promoting economic resilience and supply chain restructuring was held through the Taiwan-U.S. Global Cooperation and Training Framework March 13 in Bern, Switzerland, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said. The event was opened by Rep. David W.F. Huang of the Taipei Cultural and Economic Delegation to

Switzerland and U.S. Amb. Scott C. Miller, and involved nearly 80 attendees including officials, lawmakers, think tank scholars and members of the press. The workshop featured a keynote speech by Taiwan's EU Rep. Roy Lee and two panel discussions on the themes of geopolitical risk, supply chain robustness, economic coercion and economic resilience.

Ambassador Roy Lee invited by Eurotech to join the annual seminar "Bytes and Ballots"

On March 6, Ambassador Roy Lee was invited by Eurotech Universities Alliance to join the panel discussion "Cracking the code: How can we protect and empower our society?" in the seminar "Bytes and Ballots: How Technology Shapes Democracy in 2024". The aim of this seminar is to discover what is technologically possible in 2024 and beyond, and to discuss how to collectively build and defend a resilient society. Ambassador Lee cited the prov-

erb "a long-time illness makes one a good doctor." as a reference to Taiwan's experience of cyberattacks and election interference in information space, particularly during the presidential election period.



Gender equality event showcases Taiwan's achievements in New York

A forum titled "Fostering Women and Girls' Financial Resilience" was held March 13 at the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York, spotlighting Taiwan's efforts to achieve gender parity, according to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The event was part of Taiwan Gender Equality Week, which is being staged on the sidelines of the U.N.'s 68th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women. Co-organized by the MOFA and Taipei City-based Foundation of Women's Rights Promotion and Development, this year's forum brought together over 100 participants from multiple countries, the MOFA said.

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