

TAIWAN NEWSLETTER

President Lai receives Formosa Club delegates

President Lai Ching-te met with European delegates to the 2025 Formosa Club Annual Conference and Taiwan-Europe Undersea Cables Security and Cooperation Forum, October 28, expressing appreciation for their promotion of pro-Taiwan resolutions and support for Taiwan's international participation.

The President emphasised Taiwan's commitment to collaborating with European and democratic partners to enhance the security and resilience of undersea cables and critical infrastructure. He further stated that Taiwan is ready to work with Europe to strengthen alignment between technology and democratic values through public-private cooperation.



The annual meeting, held October 27, marked the first time the event convened in Taiwan, with lawmakers attending from the European Parliament and 17 countries. Conference chair and MEP Rihards Kols presented a joint statement

reflecting efforts to enhance Taiwan's representation in international arenas, while Belgian Representative Els Van Hoof highlighted Belgium's resolution opposing the distortion of UN Resolution 2758.

Taiwan to unveil 2050 circular economy roadmap in 2026

President Lai Ching-te announced plans to unveil Taiwan's 2050 circular economy roadmap, October 30, while speaking at a meeting of the National Climate Change Response Committee. Focused on boosting green growth momentum, Lai described the initiative as part of a larger effort to accelerate the transition towards net-zero through closer public-private cooperation. The Ministry of Environment released a draft version of the roadmap last week before the finalisation of the full plan, which is due next year. Noting the fact that Taiwan's green indus-

tries generated over NT\$500 billion (€14.1 billion) in added value last year, which accounted for 2 percent of GDP, Lai emphasised that green growth is a powerful driver of national development. Building a resilient and adaptive Taiwan, he added, is essential to ensuring autonomy and long-term national strength.



MOFA thanks the US and Japan for supporting cross-strait peace

Minister of Foreign Affairs Lin Chia-lung sincerely thanked the governments of the United States and Japan for continuing to take concrete actions in support of Taiwan Strait security, October 29, after the Japan-US summit in Tokyo.

During the meeting, which was the first to take place since Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi took office, both leaders reiterated the importance of peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait. They also exchanged views on a range of issues related to China, and expressed op-

position to unilateral attempts to change the status quo by force and coercion. In a statement, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs noted that such actions demonstrate that the need to counter authoritarian expansion and ensure the peace and stability of the Taiwan Strait is the consensus of the international community.

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TAIPEI REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN THE EU AND BELGIUM

Taiwan, Latvia, Lithuania hold science technology conference in Riga

Taiwan, Latvia, and Lithuania held their annual science and technology conference, October 23, to review the results of ongoing trilateral projects and select new research topics for the years to come.

Speaking at the event, National Science and Technology Council Deputy Minister Chen Bing-yu praised the partnership for having sponsored more than 80 projects since its launch and described the conference as an important venue for the trilateral discussion of policies and developments.

The annual conference began in 2002 after the three countries signed a cooperative pact in 2000 that established a fund to sponsor joint science and technology projects.

