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## Explore Democratic Resilience with Czech Delegation











Czech Delegation and NTU participants at the Taiwan-Czechia Forum on Democratic Resilience.

On March 28, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Czech Republic, Markéta Pekarová Adamová, led a delegation of over 30 Czech delegates to visit NTU and attend the Taiwan-Czechia Forum on Democratic Resilience. The event, co-hosted by NTU and the European Values Center for Security Policy (EVC), gathered experts in the field to share information and engage in serious discussions regarding the furtherance of democratic resilience.

The Czech delegation was warmly welcomed by NTU President Wen-Chang Chen and Vice President for International Affairs Hsiao-Wei Yuan. The event kicked off with opening remarks by President Chen and Ministry of Foreign Affairs Deputy Minister Roy Chun Lee. In his remarks, President Chen highlighted NTU's academic connection with the Czech Republic through its long-standing partnership with Charles University, Speaker Adamová's alma mater.

During the forum, Speaker Adamová expressed her appreciation for the warm reception and highlighted the numerous common democratic values cherished by both Taiwan and the Czech Republic. The event featured two panels that were moderated by EVC Taiwan Office Head Marcin Jerzewski and NTU Hu Fu Center for East Asia Democratic Studies Director Min-Hua Huang. The panelists included speakers from the Czech Republic and Ukraine, such as Jakub Janda, Pavel Stepanik, Benedikt Vangeli, Mariia Makarovych, and Mariia Kovach-Butsko,



Wang hopes to improve the current Future NTU program and promote more comprehensive reforms of department and college-level courses.



Vice President for International Affairs Hsiao-Wei Yuan (right) welcoming Speaker Adamová (left).

as well as local speakers, including NTU Graduate Institute of Journalism Director Chen-Ling Hung and NTU's College of Law Associate Professor Hui-Chieh Su.

The forum generated great interest among NTU students and faculty who engaged in lively discussions with the panelists. The event concluded successfully, setting the stage for future dialogues and academic opportunities between NTU and the Czech Republic. Without a doubt, this visit is a vital testament to the ongoing collaborations between both parties in advancing democratic values and academic exchanges.



President Chen and Vice President for International Affairs Hsiao-Wei Yuan receiving the Czech delegation (from left to right: Director-General of European Affairs Vincent Yao, Vice President for International Affairs Hsiao-Wei Yuan, Speaker's spouse Tomáš Pekara, Speaker Markéta Pekarová Adamová, NTU President Wen-Chang Chen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Deputy Minister Roy Chun Lee, Czech Economic and Cultural Office in Taipei Representative David Steinke, and European Values Center for Security Policy Director Jakub Janda).

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