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# Navigate Sustainability and Employability in Higher Education with QS

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The speakers of the event (left to right) : QS Senior Ranking Research Manager Andrew MacFarlane, NTU Office of Sustainability Assistant Chief Executive Officer Yi-Huan Hsieh, Chung Yuan Christian University Vice President, Dean of Research and Development, and Distinguished Prof. of the Dept. of Electrical Engineering Prof. Ying-Yi Hong, and Covestro Taiwan Head of Communications and DEI Promoter Renee Chen.

Early this year, NTU and Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), a British company that analyzes higher education institutions worldwide, co-hosted a seminar, “NTU x QS Workshop: Navigating Sustainability and Employability in Taiwan’s Higher Education.” The seminar brought together industry and academic experts to discuss the sustainability and development of higher education in Taiwan.

From academia, NTU, Chung Yuan Christian University, and National Taiwan University of Science and Technology showcased their efforts and results in sustainability and talent development. Industry representatives from Covestro and CakeResume shared their experiences of collaborating and co-working with higher education institutions and their views on potential future collaborations. Staff members from the International Affairs Office, Research and Development Office, and Academic Affairs Office of universities across the country attended the seminar.



Associate Vice President for International Affairs Jiun-Haw Lee (right) conversing with Chung Yuan Christian University Vice President Ying-Yi Hong.

The seminar was a forum for identifying Taiwan’s best practices in this area and sparking discussion on new possibilities so as to increase awareness among the institutions of higher education in Taiwan on this important topic as well as encourage the incorporation of enterprise perspectives in developing effective collaboration plans between industry and academia. NTU chose QS as the co-host of this event due to the organization’s extensive experience in global sustainability and employability, as well as its deep understanding of Taiwan’s higher education landscape.

Talent cultivation is pivotal to industry-academia collaboration. In recent years, NTU has launched the “2023 NTU International Mentorship Program” and “NTU iNGO Academy,” to facilitate collaborations with foreign trade councils in Taiwan, government units, NGOs in Taiwan, civic groups, and research institutions and build a mentorship program for international students in Taiwan. By developing such programs, NTU aims to increase the retention of outstanding international talents, enhance Taiwan’s connection with international society, and realize its sustainability goals.



Group photo of Associate Vice President for International Affairs Jiun-Haw Lee with speakers and attendees.