

GLOBAL OUTLOOK

Director of Saxony State Ministry of Science and Culture Visits NTU

Fostering Global Tech Talent through Collaborative Engagement

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Discussions on the collaborative "Semiconductor Talent Incubation Program Taiwan (#STIPT)" between NTU, TSMC and the government of the Free State of Saxony.

Dr. Sebastian Gemkow, Director of the Saxony State Ministry of Science and Culture, along with his Chief of Staff, Dr. Michael Schmischke, visited NTU in March, accompanied by Dr. Josef Goldberger, the head of the Saxony State Ministry of Science and Culture's Taiwan office. They were warmly received by President Wen-Chang Chen, Associate Vice President for International Affairs Prof. Jiun-Haw Lee, and Chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering, Prof. Chien-Mo Li.

The main focus of the meeting was to discuss the collaborative "Semiconductor Talent Incubation Program Taiwan (#STIPT)" between NTU, TSMC and the government of the Free State of Saxony. With TSMC, a global semiconductor manufacturing leader, planning to establish a facility in Dresden, Saxony, Germany, the Saxony State Government and TSMC are jointly undertaking the "2024 Semiconductor Talent Development Program." Under this program, students will be selected to undergo specialized training at schools in Taiwan for one semester, followed by a two-month practical training at TSMC's Fab in Taichung.

Starting this year, NTU is the exclusive coordinating institution for the inaugural Talent Development Program. In March 2024, the university officially launched a semester-long training program. Eight professors from various departments including Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Computer Science, and Information Management at NTU are serving as mentors for the program, offering eight courses. Thirty selected students from Dresden University of Technology, Freiberg University of Mining and Technology, and Leipzig University of Applied Sciences representing Germany, Poland, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and South Korea, among other nationalities, are expected to contribute

to global technological and economic prosperity through the collaborative efforts of the three parties, marking a new milestone in NTU's international talent development initiatives.

Furthermore, Dresden University of Technology and the Leonardo Office for Internship Programs within Saxony will also sign talent development agreements with NTU, providing bilateral students with more diverse internship opportunities. Through these exchanges of outstanding talent, the aim is to promote closer cooperation between Taiwan and Germany.

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