

# **The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan**

## **Activity Report**

**November 2015 – May 2016**

### **1. Hosting 20th Tri-Lateral Conference of Non-Governmental Social Welfare Organizations in Taipei**

The 20th Tri-Lateral Conference of Non-Governmental Social Welfare Organizations was held by ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan in Taipei on December 2, 2015. The topics of this conference included several important issues in East Asia, including social worker safety, social care, and the role of non-governmental organizations in social welfare service acts. There were about 200 participants in the conference, including speakers and guests from Japan and Korea.

### **2. Institute visit to Tzu Chi Foundation**

On December 3-4, 2015, the ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan organized a trip to visit Tzu Chi Foundation in HuaLien, Taiwan. The Tzu Chi Foundation received the visitors from Japan, Korea, and Taiwan and introduced their various work such as recycling station, volunteer development and disaster management, and so on.

### **3. Empowerment of social welfare and social work professionals**

In order to strengthen English communication capacity of social welfare and social work professionals in Taiwan and encourage these people to participate in international events, the ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan organized a series of workshops on English speech and presentation skills for social welfare and social work professionals and students in 2015.

#### **4. General assembly and board meetings of directors and supervisors**

The ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan organized the 2016 general assembly and board meetings of directors and supervisors on March 27, 2016 and approved the annual action plans in 2016.

#### **5. Organizing delegate group to attend SWSD 2016**

In order to promote the 2016 Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development, the ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan held a pre-event meeting in March and invited many social welfare and social work scholars, professionals, experts, and students to organize a delegate group to attend the conference.

#### **6. Symposium and workshop organization**

In order to facilitate the discussion and exchange of experience in disaster management and long term care in Asia, the ICSW organize a symposium on 'Disaster Management in Changing Asia' and a workshop on 'Long Term Care Policy in Changing Asia' in the 2016 Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development, and invite several speakers from Asian countries to share their practice models and experiences.

#### **7. Submission of article to NEA regional Newsletter**

The ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan submitted an article on social protection in Taiwan to the third issue of North East Asia regional newsletter. This article introduced the implementation of social protection floors in Taiwan.

#### **8. Exchange and dissemination of social welfare information**

The ICSW, The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan regularly disseminates the most updated social welfare and social work information from the ICSW, NEA members, other international and domestic organizations, including NEA regional newsletters and Global Cooperation newsletters to our members and the general public.