## Symposiums Promoting Cross-Cultural Dialogue

學校要聞

This week, TKU will hold two major symposiums that aim to advance understanding between countries and cultures in Asia. The first is a three-day event, to be held at the Chueh Sheng International Conference Hall, entitled "A Cross-Cultural Dialogue: the Future Social Development of Asia-Pacific". The symposium's opening ceremony will feature a speech by TKU President, Dr. Flora Chia-I Chang, and be attended by the Dean of the TKU College of Education, Dr. Chang Tian-fu, as well as the Associate Director of the Xiamen University Taiwan Research Institute, Li Peng, and close to 20 local and overseas scholars from America, Japan, Mainland China, and Australia.

The Director of the TKU Graduate Institute of Futures Studies - the symposium's organizing body - Dr. Jian-Bang Deng, said that the event will explore how to best deal with development and transformation in the Asia-Pacific region by examining issues and events such as the 311 Japanese Earthquake, and the ensuing nuclear scare.

The other symposium to be held this week (March 25) will discuss the evolving Cross-Strait relationship in the context of a changing global community.