

### **2017 Shenzhen International Conference on Libraries and Digital Humanities**

The University Town Library of Shenzhen hosted the three-day *International Conference on Libraries and Digital Humanities* from December 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The University Town Library of Shenzhen (Shenzhen Science & Technology Library) is the first library in China functioning both as academic library and public library, serving faculty members, students, scientists, and the general public in Shenzhen.

About three hundred world renowned digital humanities scholars, LIS experts and professionals from the British Library, Stanford University, UCLA, University of London, King's College London, Australia National University, Beijing University, and Wuhan University attended this conference.

This conference is focusing on discussing the following topics: the future development of digital humanities; the roles played by libraries in the development of digital humanities; and what exactly libraries can provide for the development of digital humanities. Furthermore, dialogues were also happening in various formats around these themes: the critical technology in digital humanities; data, resources, network, and platform construction for digital humanities; higher education and digital humanities; digital humanities and its research and application in multiple disciplines. The conference then concluded with the conversation on the role of libraries in the development of the digital humanities. Participants are looking forward to the future collaboration between China and Western Countries in the field of digital humanities. They also discussed the establishment of the possible collaboration mechanism during the conference.

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