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From Rising Rankings to Global Presence: NYCU's First Showcase at the QS Asia-Pacific Summit Exhibition



Representatives from the University System of Taiwan—including NYCU, National Chengchi University, National Tsing Hua University, and National Central University—are jointly showcasing Taiwan's academic strengths at the QS Asia-Pacific Summit exhibition.

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National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU) marked a new milestone in global engagement by participating in the **QS Higher Ed Summit: Asia Pacific Exhibition** for the first time, held in Seoul, South Korea. The event brought together university leaders from across the region, reinforcing NYCU's growing international presence at a time when its **QS Asia University Rankings** are steadily rising.

This year, only two major Taiwanese university alliances were invited to join the exhibition:

- **University System of Taiwan (UST)** — National Chengchi University, National Tsing Hua University, NYCU, National Central University
- **Taiwan University System** — National Taiwan University, National Taiwan University of Science

NYCU President Invited as Featured QS Summit Speaker

During the summit, NYCU President Chi-Hung Lin was invited as a featured speaker, sharing perspectives on the evolving role of Asian universities in global talent cultivation and innovation-driven development.

President Lin noted:

"NYCU strives to connect Taiwan with the world through research excellence, interdisciplinary innovation, and meaningful international collaboration. Our debut at the QS summit reflects our growing global impact and future ambitions."

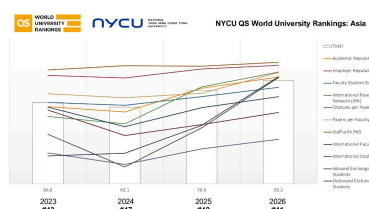
Showcasing NYCU's Interdisciplinary Strengths

At the exhibition, NYCU

and Technology,
National Taiwan
Normal University

NYCU's debut at the exhibition underscores its expanding recognition in Asia's higher education landscape.

Strong Momentum Reflected in QS Asia Rankings



Since the merger of NYMU and NCTU, NYCU has maintained an upward trajectory across nearly all QS indicators, with student exchange mobility showing the most significant gains, followed by academic reputation.

According to the 2026 QS Asia University Rankings announced on November 4, NYCU climbed to 41st in Asia and 3rd in Taiwan among 1,526 ranked universities, with 57 institutions from Taiwan listed.

presented key research highlights spanning:

- Semiconductors and advanced chip processes
- AI and high-performance computing
- Biomedical engineering and translational medicine
- Neuroscience and imaging technology
- Sustainability, smart living, and circular design
- Rocket engineering and space technologies

Visitors from universities and education agencies across Asia engaged with NYCU's booth, expressing strong interest in its distinctive interdisciplinary ecosystem and international initiatives—such as the North American Talent & Innovation Hub (NATI-Hub) and various global dual-degree and research programs.

NYCU also improved significantly in the QS Asia Sustainability Rankings, advancing 45 places to 212th, among 41 Taiwanese universities included.

The QS Asia ranking evaluates **11 indicators** covering academic reputation, employer reputation, international research collaboration, research impact, and student mobility. NYCU demonstrated notable progress across multiple areas:

- International Research Network: +12.3 points
- Papers per Faculty: +17.1 points
- Outbound Exchange Students: +40.1 points
- Inbound Exchange Students: +41.5 points

Expanding International Collaboration

Throughout the summit, NYCU strengthened ties with partner institutions while discussing future collaboration

opportunities in joint research, student mobility, and innovation-driven education. Its presence at the QS exhibition further positions NYCU as a rising hub of global academic exchange.



The QS Higher Ed Summit: Asia Pacific 2025 was hosted at Korea University, where NYCU made its first exhibition appearance.

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NYCU President Chi-Hung Lin (left) with the President of Korea University, host of this year's QS Higher Ed Summit: Asia Pacific.

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