

UM Library Organized an International Symposium on "Research Assessment: Implications, Methodology, and Best Practices" (27/02/2014)

The UM Library, together with Thomson Reuters, had organized an international symposium entitled "Research Assessment: Implications, Methodology, and Best Practices", which was held at the UM Library on 24 February 2014.

The guests of honor were Dr. Sou Chio Fai (Director of the Tertiary Education Services Office of Macau), Prof. Wei Zhao (the Rector of UM), Prof. Rui Martins (Vice Rector for Research of UM) and Dr. Paul Poon (the University Librarian of UM). In his opening speech, Prof. Zhao pointed out that this was a very meaningful symposium and expressed his pleasure to have taken part in this symposium.

Research is a core function of all institutions of higher education, and its performance is critical to an institution's reputation and ranking. The aim of this symposium was to give us some insights on research assessment methodology, management and best practices.

Distinguished speakers around the world, such as Prof. Huey-Jen Su (Professor & Executive Vice President of National Cheng Kung University, Taiwan), Prof. Michael Khor (Professor and Director of Research Support Office & Bibliometrics Analysis at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore), Prof. Jin-Guang Teng (Director of Research Institute for Sustainable Urban Development at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) and Prof. Rui Martins (Vice Rector for Research of UM), were invited to deliver keynote addresses in the conference.

UM Library was very pleased with the enthusiastic responses received. More than 120 participants, from Singapore, Hong Kong, Macau and elsewhere, took part in the symposium. Dr. Paul W.T. Poon, the University Librarian, thanked all the participants for their supports. He also pointed out that UM, changing from a teaching-based university to a research-based university and in tandem with the development trend of the world's leading universities, is striving its best to innovate its research management. This symposium had indeed served a very useful purpose.



