

2019 Taichung Global Forum on Modern Direct Democracy Tentative Agenda

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Date	Time	Content
October 2, Wednesday	17:30-21:00	Welcome Reception
October 3, Thursday	8:00-9:00	Registration Opens
	9:00-9:30	Opening Plenary
	9:30-9:45	Introduction to The Taiwan Referendum Act Process
	9:45-9:50	Video: How did You Experience the 2018 Referendum
	9:50-10:00	Change Conference Room
	10:00-11:10	1st Plenary Panel: What Can the World Learn From the Taiwan Referendum Act?
	11:10-11:15	Bold ideas for direct democracy: Global community hub
	11:15-11:20	Breakout sessions presentation
	11:20-11:40	Break
	11:40-13:00	Breakout Session 1 1.1 Comparative Direct Democracy - Initiative & Referendum Systems around the World 1.2 What did We Learn from Taiwan's Referendum on Energy? 1.3 How do Cities and Regions across Asia Develop Participatory and Direct Democracy 1.4 Modern Direct Democracy Roller Coaster - How the Netherlands introduced and abolished modern direct democracy 1.5 The Negative Vote: How It Will Work and Why We Need It 1.6 The Equality of Participation: The Public Rights without Representatives 1.7 Winning With "People" Power: Petitioning Your Way through Democracy...Directly 1.8 Storytelling - Young activists
	13:00-14:00	Lunch

- 14:00-14:05 Bold Ideas for Direct Democracy: A World Citizens' Initiative
- 14:05-14:10 Video: Key Figures on Direct Democracy around the World
- 14:10-15:15 2nd Plenary Panel: What Can Taiwan Learn From the World's Direct Democracies?
- 15:15-15:20 Breakout Sessions Presentation
- 15:20-16:45 **Breakout Session 2**
- 2.1 Economy of Direct Democracy in Southeast Asia
 - 2.2 What is the Relationship between Direct Democracy and Economic Growth?
 - 2.3 Using Direct Democracy to Fight for Nature and Preservation(German and Austrian Case Studies)
 - 2.4 Laws for Direct-Democratic Instruments: Contents and Possible Pitfalls
 - 2.5 Right wing politics and democratisation
 - 2.6 Taiwan Referendum and Direct Democracy in Asia
 - 2.7 Developing the Magna Charta for an International League of Democracy Cities
 - 2.8 Yoga
 - 2.9 The European Citizens' Initiative - Direct Democratic Participation in the EU
- 16:45-18:00 Breakout Session 3
- 3.1 Global Comparative Referendum Systems
 - 3.2 Switzerland's Direct Democracy: Journalists' Perspectives
 - 3.3 How do cities and regions across the World outside Asia develop participatory and direct democracy (EN)
 - 3.4 Towards a UN World Citizens Initiative
 - 3.5 Taiwan, Asia, and the World: Understanding Democracy in Taiwan and Beyond
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3.6 When Democracy Meets Ordinary Life

3.7 Towards the 2020 Global Forum on Modern Direct Democracy

3.8 Democracy and Educational Governance

3.9 How Can Universities Inspire Direct Democracy

October 4, Friday	8:00	Registration Opens
	9:30-9:35	Bold Ideas for Direct Democracy: Using DD to Reshape Our Economy
	9:35-9:40	Bold Ideas for Direct Democracy: We Need Democracy Developers
	9:40-9:45	Video: Why Do People Take to the Streets?
	9:45-11:00	3rd Plenary Panel: How Do We Turn People Power into Direct Democracy in East and South Asia?
	11:00-11:05	Bold Ideas for Direct Democracy: Gaming for Democracy
	11:05-11:10	Breakout Sessions Presentation
	11:10-11:35	Break
	11:35-13:00	Breakout Session 4
		4.1 Direct Democracy and Education Reform
		4.2 Taiwan's New Referendum Act and Its Initial Experience
		4.3 Taichung Declaration on Modern Direct Democracy - Preparation
		4.4 Professionalizing Democracy Development
		4.5 Journey of Democracy: From West to East
		4.6 Islamic World and Democracy
		4.7 Democracy Houses around the World
		4.8 Storytelling
	13:00-14:15	Lunch Break
	14:15-15:45	Breakout Session 5
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		5.2 Towards an Asian School of Participatory Leadership
		5.3 How to Build an Online Community?
		5.4 Art rather than Politics

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5.6 Longer Excursion

5.7 Longer Excursion

5.8 Yoga

15:45- Taichung Excursions

**October 5,
Saturday**

8:30-9:00 Doors Open

9:00-9:45 Concluding Plenary

9:45-10:30 Presentation and Adoption of the Taichung Declaration for Modern Direct
Democracy and Invitation to the 2020 Global Forum in Bern/Switzerland

10:30-10:35 Family photo