

# Walking through the glorious history

## 1968-1999

**Starting out from sharing Taiwan's experience in land and agricultural policies and ideas with developing countries**

- 1968** The Council for International Economic Cooperation and Development (the predecessor of National Development Council), ROC and the John C. Lincoln Institute, USA, signed "the Agreement for the Land Reform Training Institute."
- 1969** The first Regular Session on Land Reform and Rural Development was conducted, with target audience mainly from Southeast Asian countries, and successively developing countries.
- 1973** The Joint Commission of Rural Reconstruction replaced the Council for International Economic Cooperation and Development as the sponsoring agency from the Republic of China, and the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy (Lincoln Institute), renamed from the John C. Lincoln Institute, as the sponsoring agency from the USA.
- 1977** The International Seminar on Land Policy and Land Taxation in Commemoration of the Centennial of Henry George's "Progress and Poverty" was held in Taipei.
- 1982** From the 28th Regular Session onward, land reform experience of Southeast Asia was integrated into field trips. The participants began to have a one-week study tour to the Philippines, which was co-sponsored by the Philippine government.
- 1985** A special session on Laws and Regulations Concerning Agricultural Land Use, Planning and Control was conducted, with a view to helping train ROC agricultural officials.
- 1986** With the cooperation of the Lincoln Institute, the Harvard Institute for International Development and Carnegie-Mellon University's Institute for Urban Policy Analysis, an overseas alumni workshop on Land Tax and Land Development was conducted in Indonesia.
- 1987** With the cooperation of Thai government, an overseas alumni workshop on Agricultural Land Reform Implementation under the Sixth National Social and Economic Development Plan was conducted in Bangkok.



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**1988** A celebration for the 20th anniversary was held. The activities included a three-day international seminar on Real Property and Land as Tax Base for Development and a celebration party at Ambassador Hotel in Taipei and a Memorial Publication titled "A salute to 20 Years of Progress." More than 200 people from 30 countries participated.



**1989** With the cooperation of ROC Ministry of Foreign Affairs, University Rafael Landivar and University de San Carlos, an international seminar on Aspects on Agrarian Reform in Central America and Caribbean Region was held in Guatemala. Eleven countries participated.

**1991** To further promote land policy experience, the target audience expanded to countries of transition economies in East Europe.

**1997** A special session on Land Policy Study was commissioned by ROC Ministry of the Interior. There were 40 domestic land officials from central, provincial/special city and county levels.

**1998** To continue promoting regional cooperation, a special session on Land Policy Study was commissioned by ROC Ministry of Foreign Affairs. It was conducted for 16 government officials from five French-speaking countries in West African and Caribbean regions. This was the first French-speaking seminar.



A celebration for the 30th anniversary was held. The celebration activities included a two-day international seminar on Land Policy and Economic Development and a celebration party at the Grand Hotel in Taipei, with 120 participants from over 30 different countries, and a commemorative publication titled "A salute to 30 Years of Progress."

