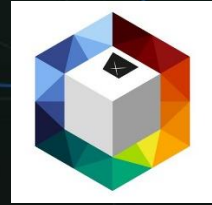




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## **National Chengchi University and University of Nottingham 2025 Joint Conference Call for Paper**

### **What can Taiwan teach the world, what can the world teach Taiwan? Lessons from the 2024 “Year of Elections.”**

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**Deadline for abstracts: 16 December 2024**  
**Notification of acceptance: 13 January 2025**  
**Conference date: 26-27 June 2025**

We are pleased to invite submissions for our 2025 Conference, **What can Taiwan teach the world, what can the world teach Taiwan? Lessons from the 2024 “Year of Elections.”** which studies and explains the global trends in voting behaviour, the role of political institutions in shaping that behaviour, the ability of campaigns and parties to change voter attitudes, and the slow creep of democratic backsliding, in the “Year of Elections.” Approximately 25% of the people on the planet have, or are expected to, vote in elections held this year, including India, Indonesia, the European Union, the United States, Bangladesh, Mexico, Turkey, France, the United Kingdom, South Africa, Portugal, Lithuania, and in particular Taiwan. In contrast to many other democracies, Taiwanese democratic institutions have strengthened despite authoritarian backsliding around the world and a hostile authoritarian neighbour which threatens its existence. We anticipate this conference will be the foundation of a larger literature on elections studies, geopolitics, democratization, and representation.

The conference will be held at the University of Nottingham from 26 to 27 June 2025, bringing together 24 scholars of elections from around the world for a 'deep dive' into the following four themes:

- Electoral institutions
- Voter attitudes
- Political parties
- Campaigns, democratic backsliding.

The resulting conference papers will be divided into two subsets: one, intended for a special issue of an academic journal; the other, for an edited volume, published as part of Palgrave's *Taiwan and World Affairs* series.

Please submit your abstract of no more than 500 words to: [trhconf2025@gmail.com](mailto:trhconf2025@gmail.com) along with the name of each presenter, their affiliation, and a short bio (of no more than 150 words).

The deadline for submitting abstracts is 16 December 2024. Notification of acceptance will be sent out by 13 January 2024; if selected, the deadline for submitting final conference papers (6,000 words) will be 30 May 2025.

The conference organisers will provide up to three nights' accommodation in Nottingham for contributors. The conference committee especially welcomes submissions from postgraduate research students (PhD candidates), and early career scholars. The conference will cover travel costs of up to GBP £500.

With best wishes

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