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CNA (2011/04/20) & udn.com (2011/04/19) Taiwan's top planning agency approved a plan Monday designed to double the number of foreign students studying in Taiwan from the current 45,000 to 88,000 in four years.

The Council for Economic Planning and Development approved the plan proposed by the Ministry of Education, under which the government will invest NT\$5.68 billion (US\$195.86 million) over the next four years to make it easier for students from other countries to study in Taiwan.

If the target of attracting 88,000 foreign students is met, they will inject NT\$23.4 billion into the economy in tuition, fees and living expenses in 2014, compared with NT\$17.2 billion at present.

The ministry officials at the Bureau of International Cultural and Educational Relations says, the ministry will focus on building a friendly environment for international students in Taiwan in the following few years, including encouraging full-English courses and programs, tuition reduction for Chinese study programs, etc.; on the other side, the ministry will also try to enhance the international competitiveness of the international study programs in Taiwan.

Related Website:

Bureau of International Cultural and Educational Relations: <http://english.moe.gov.tw/mp.asp?mp=1>

Further Information:

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