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CNA – Focus Taiwan (2012/05/10) The first United Kingdom-Taiwan Railway Forum opened in Taipei on May 10 as part of efforts to share expertise and explore opportunities for further cooperation between the rail industries in the two countries, according to the organizers.

The day-long forum, the largest of its kind to be held in Taiwan, invited 11 U.K. speakers and over 150 professionals from Taiwan's rail industry and government departments, said the British Trade and Cultural Office in Taipei, which is organizing the event.

"This forum offers an excellent opportunity to share with you the U.K.'s latest experience in developing innovative rail solutions, as well as to learn from you about the challenges you face and the solutions you are planning," said David CAMPBELL, the office's director, in his opening speech.

The U.K. is the world's first country to have railways and its railways are the fastest-growing in Europe, he added.

The forum was set to discuss the growth and investment in U.K. railways, explore better rail operations to enhance efficiency and safety, and share experience of light rail projects in Asia.

The organizers also expressed hope that the forum can be held annually in Taipei and London alternately to further bilateral relations and continuously share innovative and intelligent solutions in the field.

Meanwhile, representatives from Britain's Ultra Global Ltd., Sinclair Knight Merz Colin Buchanan and Taiwan's China Engineering Consultants Inc. also signed a memorandum of understanding, paving the way for future cooperation on personal rapid transit systems in Taiwan.

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