

Academia-industry collaboration to boost Taiwan industrial upgrades



An academia-industry collaboration project backed by major research bodies in Taiwan and promoted by the country's Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) has borne significant fruits, having helped academic talent set up 13 tech startups in addition to 70 R&D achievements in various fields, according to MOST.

CH Chiou, director of the Department of Academia-Industry Collaboration and Science Park Affairs, said at a recent demonstration event that the R&D achievements cover a wide variety of fields including ICT, smart machinery, biomedicine, biomedical supplies, green energy, digital finance and commercial management, and are jointly scored by academic and industrial sectors.

Nine domestic research bodies including the Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI), Institute for Information Industry, Metal Industries Research & Development Center, Taiwan Textile Institute and National Applied Research Laboratories (NARLabs), were involved.



Chiou said that the research bodies can help bridge the gap between academic research and actual industrial demand, so as to let more innovative technologies be easily applied to industrial production and commercialization.

He stressed that while industrial upgrades and transformations are actively under way, the R&D achievements developed under the academia-industry collaboration project will inject new innovation momentum into enterprises and help them further boost competitiveness.

Besides ICT and other related sectors, Chiou revealed, the project will focus more on the development of green energy and AI in the future.

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