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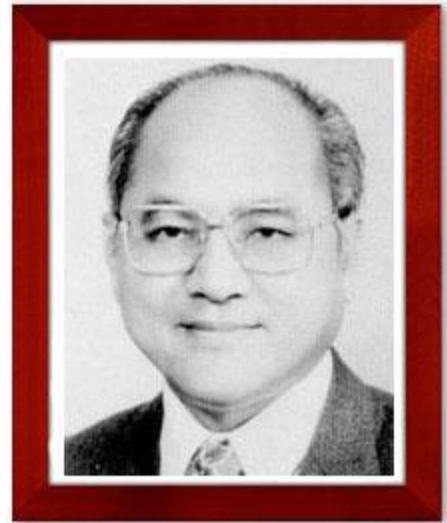
B.S., Agricultural Economics, Taiwan Provincial College of Agriculture, 1957

M.S., Agricultural Economics, National Chung Hsing University, 1961

Ph.D., Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, 1967

Post-graduate studies, Oregon State University, 1962

Dr. Yu served as chairman of the Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan, in the Government of Taiwan from 1988 to 1992. As chairman, he was effectively the Minister of Agriculture of Tai-wan. Since stepping down from the chairmanship in 1992 for health reasons, Dr. Yu has served as an advisor to the Council of Agriculture. Prior to holding the office of chairman, he was the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry of the Taiwan Provincial government. In the early days of his career, Dr. Yu was progressively an associate professor, professor, and then Chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics at the National Chung Hsing University.



In 1972 Dr. Yu became a senior specialist with the Chinese-American Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction. He was appointed senior specialist of the Planning and Programming Division following the Commission's reorganization into the Council for Agricultural Planning and Development, a cabinet advisory agency. Five months later, Dr. Yu accepted the post as president of the National Chiayi Junior College of Agriculture.

As Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry in the Taiwan provincial government, he was cited dozens of times by the government for his meritorious service. Dr. Yu was elected a member of the Kuomintang Central Committee at the 13th congress and was then, shortly after, appointed the chairman of the Council of Agriculture, the highest policy-making body for agricultural affairs. He was particularly effective in influencing national agricultural policy. His direction led to many policy changes including: agricultural price policy, marketing cooperatives, water and irrigation policy, energy policy, farmland taxation, farm mechanization, environmental policy, and rural health insurance. Dr. Yu has been a driving force for Taiwan's modernization of agriculture with a humanistic approach.