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“IFES’s mission to promote peace on the Korean Peninsula, the region, and the world continues, as do our efforts to support scholarship and advance positive change for the improvement of inter-Korean relations and the promotion of Korean reunification.”

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Several decades ago, the Institute for Far Eastern Studies (IFES) of Kyungnam University was established as an independent, nonpartisan, academic-oriented think tank specializing in the study and analysis of the economies and societies of the (former) communist bloc states and the Third World, including China and North Korea, as well as the relations among state and non-state actors in Northeast Asia. Since our humble beginning and still today, our mandate is to promote peace and Korean unification through scholarly activities that examine the history and current affairs of the Korean Peninsula and the region. We continue to promote research and programs that improve our understanding of North Korea, promote reconciliation between the two Koreas, further peace in the region, and foster local and international networks to play cooperative roles in realizing these endeavors.

The past year was quite successful. We nurtured our longtime and newfound partnerships with institutions and associations in a variety of ways. Several international conferences were held including those directly associated with the 2018 Korea Global Forum, which was organized and hosted by IFES. A steady flow of publications in the form of online essays, reports, journals and books offered timely analysis on contemporary topics and current issues, including Korea's relations since the nation's division, global governance, the North Korean economy, and inter-Korean and US-DPRK summitry, among others. IFES continued to host numerous seminars featuring distinguished international experts and rising new scholars, providing them a platform to share their insight and views. Through our close relationship with the University of North Korean Studies, we furthered efforts to establish North Korean studies as an academic field.

In the future, IFES will remain steadfast in carrying out our mission and goals to foster peace, reconciliation, and the unification of Korea, paying close attention to current affairs and developments in the region, as well as promote new research trends and perspectives to enhance our core work and cooperation with institutional partners in Korea and abroad.

Jae Kyu Park

President, Kyungnam University

Founder of IFES

MISSION STATEMENT

The Institute for Far Eastern Studies (IFES) of Kyungnam University is a research-oriented think tank with a unique approach. Founded in 1972, this comprehensive institution works to promote peace and Korean unification through scholarly contributions focusing on the Korean Peninsula and Northeast Asia.

Although the institute fundamentally deals with international relations, and its effects on Korea, we are also concerned about promoting a better understanding of North Korean society and environment.

We are eclectic in our research activities and committed to excellence.

IFES IS PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES :

- Research projects on issues concerning North Korea, the unification of Korea, and East Asian affairs;
- Organizing and sponsoring seminars, workshops, conferences, and lectures by Korean and foreign scholars;
- Publishing original and translated works in Korean and foreign languages; and
- Providing research and library facilities for scholars and students working in Asian Studies and regional and international affairs.



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ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 2018 Korea Global Forum
- International Conferences
- Unification Strategy Forum
- Strategic Dialogues



2018 KOREA GLOBAL FORUM

The Korea Global Forum 2018 flagship symposium—hosted by the Ministry of Unification and managed by IFES and UNKS—was held in Seoul under the theme "The 65th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice Agreement, Peace and Prosperity on the Korean Peninsular." At the event, international experts shared their views on building a broad consensus on relevant issues and implementing practical measures for peace and prosperity on the Korean Peninsular and Northeast Asia. Through this forum, IFES/UNKS also held several international conferences and a number of strategic dialogs in the US, China, Japan, Germany, and Kazakhstan.

- Kazakhstan Conference (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, May 18)
- Japan Conference (Keio University, May 31)
- Seoul Conference (The Shilla Hotel Seoul, June 27-28)
- China Conference (Renmin University of China, September 15)
- Berlin Conference (Free University of Berlin, October 2)
- Washington Conference (Woodrow Wilson Center, November 15)
- Young Scholars International Forum on North Korea and Unification (IFES, July 5)
- Strategic Dialogues in Japan (Tokyo University, October 30)
- Strategic Dialogues in U.S. (Atlantic Council, November 13)
- Strategic Dialogues in China (Fudan University, December 2)

Kazakhstan Conference (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, May 18, 2018)

Peace and Future of the Korean Peninsula and the Role of Diaspora

The Ministry of Unification, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, and the Korean Association of Kazakhstan jointly hosted, and IFES, Kyungnam University, the University of North Korean Studies, and the Central Asia Chapter of the National Unification Advisory Council jointly supervised the “KGF 2018: Kazakhstan Conference” on May 18th at Al-Farabi Kazakh National University in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Session 1 Peace on the Korean Peninsula and Inter-Korean Cooperation

Session 2 The Unified Ideas of the Korean People and the Russian-Koreans

Session 3 Peace Initiative of the Korean Peninsula with the Korean Youth



Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Roman Kim (Member of the National Assembly of Kazakhstan), Jeon Seung-Min (ROK consul general in Almaty), Prokopenko Leonid (Assembly of People of Kazakhstan), Mutanov Galimkair (President of Al-Farabi Kazakh National University), Kim Deog-ryong (Executive Vice-chairperson of the National Unification Advisory Council), Park Hyung-il (Ministry of Unification), Ra Chong Uk (Center for Cultural Unification Studies), Alexandr A. Zevin (Russian Academy of Sciences), Jong Gi Pung (Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland), Lee Jung-chul (Soongsil University), Lee Jae-wan (Central Asia Chapter of the National Unification Advisory Council), Aldabek N.A. (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University), Kim Eun-ok (Institute for Democracy), Natalya Yem (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University), German Kim (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University), Jean Young Lee (Inha University), Leonid Petrov (Australian National University), Vladimir Kim (Uzbekistan journalist), Young Sam Hwang (Hankuk University of Foreign Studies), Choong Suk Oh (Ministry of Unification), Adil Kaukenov (Director of the International Center for Kazakh-Chinese Cooperation), Valentina Ten (Russian journalist), Nelly Khan (Kazakh Ablai Khan University), Cheol-Wun Jang (IFES)

Japan Conference (Keio University, May 31, 2018)

Korea-Japan Relations After the Inter-Korean and US-North Korea Summits

On May 31st, the KGF 2018: Japan Conference was jointly held at Keio University in Tokyo, Japan by IFES, Kyungnam University, the University of North Korean Studies, and the Keio Institute of East Asian Studies Center for Contemporary Korea Studies and hosted by the Ministry of Unification.

- Session 1 Changes in Inter-Korean Relations and Korea-Japan Relations
- Session 2 Changes in North Korea-U.S. Relations and Korea-Japan Relations
- Session 3 The Future of Korean Peace and Korea-Japan Relations



2018年 コリア・グローバルフォーラム 南北・米朝首脳会談後の韓日関係

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韓国政府統一部 慶南大学校極東問題研究所 北韓大学院大学校 慶應義塾大学東アジア研究所現代韓国研究センター



Participants: Jae Kyu Park (President of Kyungnam University), Akira Haseyama (President of Keio University), Yasuo Fukuda (Former Prime Minister of Japan), Dai Soon Lee (Chairperson of Kyungnam University), Sun Hyang Kim (Chairperson of University of North Korean Studies), Su-Hoon Lee (Korean Ambassador to Japan), In duk Kang (Kyungnam University), Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Park Hyung-il (Ministry of Unification), Nishino Junya (Keio University), Jin-Gu Cho (IFES), Hisashi Hirai (Ritsumeikan University), Jeong Jin Park (Tsudajuku University), Kazuo Ogura (Aoyama Gakuin University), Hideshi Todaka (Director, General Coordination Division, METI), Jung Kim (University of North Korean Studies), Yoji Gomi (Tokyo Shimbun journalist), Izumi Hajime (Tokyo International University), Cheol-Wun Jang (IFES), Masao Okonogi (Keio University)

Seoul Conference (The Shilla Hotel Seoul, June 27, 2018 [Public Session])

The 65th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice Agreement, Peace and Prosperity on the Korean Peninsula

The 2018 Korea Global Forum was hosted by the Ministry of Unification and managed by IFES, Kyungnam University and the University of North Korean Studies under the theme of "The 65th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice Agreement, Peace and Prosperity on the Korean Peninsula." It took place on June 27th-28th at The Shilla Hotel, Seoul.

Session 1 Armistice Agreement and Peace on the Korean Peninsula

Session 2 New Economic Map of the Korean Peninsula and Cooperation from Neighboring Countries



Participants: Jae Kyu Park (President of Kyungnam University), Kim Deog-ryong (Executive Vice-Chairperson of the National Unification Advisory Council), Chung Sye-kyun (former Speaker of the National Assembly), Lee Soo Hyuck (Member, National Assembly, Former Chief ROK Delegate to the Six-Party Talks), Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Joseph Detrani (Missouri State University, Former US Special Envoy for the Six-Party Talks), Chen Dongxiao (Shanghai Institutes for International Studies), Tanaka Hitoshi (Institute for International Strategy in Japan Research Institute), Alexander Fedorovskiy (Head, Research Department for Pacific Studies, IMEMO), Lee Sangman (Chung-Ang University), Lee Joo Tae (Ministry of Unification), Eul-Chul Lim (IFES), Tamara G. Troyakova (Far Eastern Federal University), Zhang Huizhi (Director, Institute of DPRK and ROK of Jilin University), Cho Bong-hyun (IBK Economic Research Institute), Lee Seog-ki (Korea Institute for Industrial Economics and Trade), Jean H. Lee (Woodrow Wilson Center), Atsushi Ijuin (Japan Center for Economic Research), Sung Kyung Kim (University of North Korean Studies)



Seoul Conference (The Shilla Hotel Seoul, June 28, 2018 [Closed-door Session])

Winds of Change on the Korean Peninsula and the North Korean Nuclear Issue

On June 28, the 2018 Korea Global Forum held a closed door session at the Shilla Hotel in Seoul. The meeting was held in a "track 1.5" format with more than 30 experts and government officials from Korea and abroad in attendance, including Jeong Se Hyun, chairman of the Korea Peace Forum, Koh Yu-hwan, professor of Dongguk University, and Kim Joonhyung, professor of Handong University. Chairman Jeong presided over the meeting. In-depth discussions were held on North Korea-U.S. relations following the North Korea-U.S. summit and on follow-up measures for denuclearization.



Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Jeong Se Hyun (Chairman of the Korea Peace Forum, Former Minister of Unification), Koh Yu-hwan (Dongguk University), Kim Dong Yub (IFES), Kim Joonhyung (Handong University), Ahn Byung-min (Research Center of Eurasia and North Korea Infrastructure, Korea Transport Institute), Yang Moon-soo (University of North Korean Studies), Park Hyung-il (Ministry of Unification), Joseph Detrani (Missouri State University), Jean H. Lee (Woodrow Wilson Center), Tanaka Hitoshi (Institute for International Strategy in Japan Research Institute, Former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan), Atsushi Ijuin (Japan Center for Economic Research), Chen Dongxiao (Shanghai Institutes for International Studies), Zhang Huizhi (Institute of DPRK and ROK of Jilin University), Alexander Fedorovskiy (Head, Research Department for Pacific Studies, IMEMO), Tamara G. Troyakova (Far Eastern Federal University)

China Conference (Renmin University of China, September 15, 2018)

New Economic Map of the Korean Peninsula, Belt and Road Initiative, and Korea-China Cooperation

On September 15th, the KGF 2018 China Conference was jointly held at Renmin University of China, Beijing, China by IFES, Kyungnam University, the University of North Korean Studies, and Renmin University of China and hosted by the Ministry of Unification. 150 Chinese experts, international students, and overseas Koreans participated in this conference, the fifth event of the 2018 KGF.

Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Liu Yuanchun (Renmin University), Park Hyung-il (Ministry of Unification), Ning Fukui (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China), Shi Yinhong (Renmin University), Yang Gunagbin (Renmin University), Moo-Jin Yang (University of North Korean Studies), Huang Daihui (Renmin University), Moon-Soo Yang (University of North Korean Studies), Xu Qinhua (Renmin University), Liu Rui (Renmin University), An Guoshan (Yanbian University), Sang Man Lee (IFES), Lee Young-hoon (SK Research Institute), Bao Jianyun (Renmin University), Ma Deyong (Renmin University), Kwak Tae Hwan (Kyungnam University), Cho Sung-ryul (The Institute for National Security Strategy), Fang Zhangping (Renmin University), Cheol-Wun Jang (IFES)



Berlin Conference (Free University of Berlin, October 2, 2018)

The Construction of a Peace Regime on and the Unification of the Korean Peninsula

On October 2nd, the KGF 2018 Berlin Forum on Korea was jointly held at the Free University of Berlin, Germany by IFES, Kyungnam University, the University of North Korean Studies, and the Institute of Korean Studies, Free University of Berlin and hosted by the Ministry of Unification.

Session 1 Dialogue Cooperation and the Establishment of Peace

Session 2 Denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula and a Peace Regime

Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Bumgoo Jong (Ambassador of the Republic of Korea in Berlin), Kim Nam Joong (Ministry of Unification), Eun-Jeung Lee (Free University of Berlin), Thomas Meyer (Dortmund University of Technology), Erich Hahn (Former Director of the Institute for Marxist-Leninist Philosophy, Scientific Council for Sociological Research, East Germany), Park Myoung-Ky (Seoul National University), Park Myung-Lim (Yonsei University), Lee Bong Ki (The Institute of Peace Affairs), Detlef Kuehn (Former Chair of the Whole German Institute), Koo Kab-Woo (University of North Korean Studies), Dong Yub Kim (IFES), Erich Ballbach (German Institute for International and Security Affairs), Bernt Berger (Institute for Security and Development Policy), Norbert Baas (Former German Ambassador to South Korea), Hannes Mosler (Free University of Berlin)



Washington Conference (Woodrow Wilson Center, November 15, 2018)

A New Path Forward: Charting a Roadmap to Peace on the Korean Peninsula

On November 15th, the KGF 2018 Washington Conference was jointly held at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington D.C., USA by IFES, Kyungnam University, the University of North Korean Studies, and the Woodrow Wilson Center and hosted by the Ministry of Unification.

Session 1 Sanctions, Cooperation for Peace and Reconciliation

Session 2 Korea-U.S. Cooperation for the Peace Settlements on the Korean Peninsula

Participants: Jae Kyu Park (President of Kyungnam University), Jane Harman (President of the Woodrow Wilson Center), Myoung-Gyon Cho (Ministry of Unification), Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Robert Litwak (Woodrow Wilson Center), Ho-young Ahn (President of the University of North Korean Studies), Yu-hwan Koh (Dongguk University), Jung-chul Lee (Soongsil University), Joseph Yun (U.S. Institute of Peace), Laura Rosenberger (German Marshall Fund), Dean Ouellette (IFES), Jean H. Lee (Woodrow Wilson Center), Yong-il Moon (IFES), Jung Pak (Brookings Institution), J. Stapleton Roy (Woodrow Wilson Center), Robert Daly (Woodrow Wilson Center), Frank Aum (U.S. Institute of Peace), Soojin Park (Woodrow Wilson Center), Shihoko Goto (Woodrow Wilson Center)



(IFES, July 5, 2018)

Young Scholars International Forum on North Korea and Unification

The 2018 KGF Young Scholars International Forum on North Korea and Unification was hosted by the Ministry of Unification and jointly managed by IFES, Kyungnam University and the University of North Korean Studies on Thursday, July 5 in the International Conference Room in the Pyonghwa Kwan (Peace Building) at IFES.



Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Dean Ouellette (IFES), Dae-Jin Jung (Ajou University), Jean Do (Konkuk University), Yong-il Moon (IFES), Yon Ho Kim (Korean Economic Institute of America), Martina Aberg Somogyi (Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden), Lyubov Yakovleva (Moscow State Linguistic University), Rorry Daniels (National Committee on American Foreign Policy), Xiaoping Niu (Shanghai University of Political Science and Law), Jingquan Zhang (Shandong University), Osamu Koike (National Institute for Defense Studies), Sergei Ignatev (Moscow State Linguistic University), Thomas Horn (State Chancellery of the Free State of Saxony), Mark Ross Te Punga (New Zealand Government), Serban-Filip Cioulescu (Ministry of National Defence of Romania), Chew-Ping Hoo (National University of Malaysia), Lisa Maeusermann (University of St. Gallen), Shawn Ho (S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies), Fiona Dhonnacha (Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade, Ireland), Kapil Dhanraj Patil (Vivekanand International Foundation), Pornrawe Poenateetai (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand), Damian Mikolajczyk (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland), Antoine Bondaz (Strategic Research & Science Po Paris), Edwin De Pacina (Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippine), Clyde William Hamilton (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia)

2018 KOREA GLOBAL FORUM YOUNG SCHOLARS INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON NORTH KOREA AND UNIFICATION A Cross Section of North Korean Studies in South Korea

July 5(Thu.), 2018, IFES, Kyungnam University, Peace Building 2F, International Conference Room



Strategic Dialogues in Japan

(Tokyo University, October 30, 2018)

Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director of IFES), Takashi Sakai (Former Public Security Intelligence Agency), Yasushi Watanabe (Keio University), Atsuhito Isozaki (Keio University), Masahiro Kohara (Keio University), Tadashi Kimiya (Tokyo University), Masao Okonogi (Keio University), Lee Moongi (Sejong University), Cho Sung-ryul (The Institute for National Security Strategy), Lee Young-hoon (SK Research Institute), Jin-Gu Cho (IFES), Woo Young Lee (University of North Korean Studies)



Strategic Dialogues in U.S.

(Atlantic Council, November 13, 2018)

Participants: Alexander Vershbow (Former U.S. Ambassador to South Korea), Ho-young Ahn (President of the University of North Korean Studies), Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Todd Rosenblum (Former Official at U.S. Department of State), Robert A. Manning (Atlantic Council), Yu-hwan Koh (Dongguk University), Miyeon Oh (Atlantic Council), Jung-chul Lee (Soongsil University)



Strategic Dialogues in China

(Fudan University, December 2, 2018)

Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Zheng Jiyong (Fudan University), Gong Keyu (Shanghai Institutes for International Studies), Yu Xiaohua (Former China Institute of International Studies), Xue Chen (Shanghai Institutes for International Studies), Zhan Debin (Shanghai University of International Business and Economics), Sang Man Lee (IFES), Cho Sung-ryul (The Institute for National Security Strategy), Chung Young Chul (Sogang University), Bae Kwang Bog (Hallym University), Cheol-Wun Jang (IFES)



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

IFES hosts international conferences as part of its efforts to expand understanding of North Korea and issues surrounding the Korean Peninsula, and to promote peace and stability in the region. Our international academic conferences have long provided a venue and channel for domestic and foreign experts and scholars to share new research, exchange informed opinions, stimulate meaningful debate, and inspire public discourse.



21st IFES-WWICS International Workshop 2018 on the Cold War and the Korean Peninsula

Date: February 12, 2018

Organizers: IFES, Woodrow Wilson Center,
University of North Korean Studies



This workshop was designed to analyze the reality of the Cold War and create sustainable inter-Korean dialogue by considering the Cold War in Northeast Asia including the Korean Peninsula. Through this process of illuminating and analyzing the Cold War on the Korean Peninsula from the perspectives of new researchers, scholars are able to meaningfully vitalize the study of Cold War history and expand the scope of its research.

Participants: Joun-yung Sun (Kyungnam University), Christian F. Ostermann (Woodrow Wilson Center), Hyung-Sub Choi (Seoul National University of Science & Technology), Dong-gyu Lee (Global Security Cooperation Center, HFUS), Lyoing Choi (Korea Military Academy), Sin Jae Lee (Ministry of National Defense), Fyodor Tertitskiy (NK News), Choongkoo Lee (Korea Institute for

Defense Analyses), Jean Do (Konkuk University), Bomi Kim (Korea Institute of National Unification), Sangyeon Park (Korea Military Academy), Do Min Kim (Seoul National University), Khue Do (Seoul National University), Eung-seo Kim (University of North Korean Studies), Robert Lauer (SinoNK), Zhao Qingfeng (Korea University), Dong Ryul Lee (Dongduk Women's University), Won Gon Park (Handong Global University), Sang-sook Lee (Korea National Diplomatic Academy), Seongji Woo (KyungHee University), Seuk Ryule Hong (Sungshin Women's University), Sang-yoon Ma (Catholic University), Jooyoung Lee (Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology), Kab-Woo Koo (University of North Korean Studies), Youngchul Chung (Sogang University), Byung Joon Jung (Ewha Womans University), Jihwan Hwang (University of Seoul), Kyung Deok Roh (Ewha Womans University), Jiyoung Kim (National Museum of Korean Contemporary History), Bo-hyuk Suh (Seoul National University), Gwang-oon Kim (National Institute of Korean History), Wan Bom Lee (The Academy of Korean Studies), Jong-Dae Shin (University of North Korean Studies)



3rd IFES–WWICS The Asia-Pacific Nuclear History Institute (APNHI)

Date: March 4 – 10, 2018

Organizers: IFES, Woodrow Wilson Center

Sponsors: Youngwon Corporation



In this seven-day course, 15 professors and 18 Ph.D. researchers from all around the world held lectures and discussed the history of nuclear weapons in the Asia-Pacific region, development of nuclear technology, country-by-country analysis, and methods of archival research.

Participants: Takafumi Arai (Waseda University), Lyndon Burford (Victoria University of Wellington), Rishika Chauhan (Jawaharlal Nehru University), Suon Choi (Georgia Institute of Technology), Katrin Heilmann (King's College London), Megumi Iwamoto (Waseda University), Dong-chan Kim (Fudan University), Lami Kim (Tufts University), Mina Lee (University of Virginia), Hongjin Liu (Tsinghua University), Shi Lin Loh (Keio University), Hiroshi Nakatani (University of Reading), Nikita Perfilyev (University of Vienna), Yeygen Sautin (University of Cambridge), William Stolz (Australian National University), Elisabeth Suh (Free University of Berlin), Joshua Tupler (Beijing University), Byeong Hun You (Georgetown University), Rabia Akhtar (University of Lahore), Hyung-Sub Choi (Science and Engineering at Seoul National University), Lyong Choi (Korea Military Academy), Yogesh Joshi (Stanford University, CISAC), Charles Kraus (Woodrow Wilson Center), Akira Kurosaki (Fukushima University), Jean H. Lee (Woodrow Wilson Center), Nicola Leveringhaus (King's College London), Leopoldo Nuti (Roma Tre University), Kayla Orta (Woodrow Wilson Center), Joseph Pilat (Woodrow Wilson Center), Elisabeth Roehrlich (University of Vienna), Martin Sherwin (Woodrow Wilson Center), Balázs Szalontai (Korea University), Joseph Torigian (American University), Anna-Mart van Wyk (Monash University at South Africa)

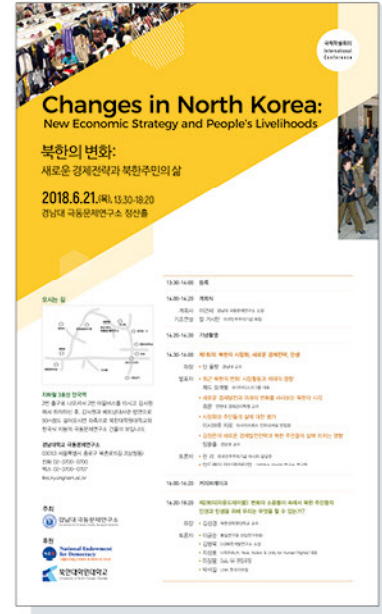
IFES International Conference

Changes in North Korea: New Economic Strategy and People's Livelihoods

Date: June 21, 2018

Organizers: IFES, Kyungnam University

Sponsors: National Endowment for Democracy (NED),
University of North Korean Studies



The conference sought to illuminate through diverse perspectives and in-depth discussion the changes in Kim Jong-un's regime centered on the DPRK's new economic development strategy and the way in which these strategic changes are affecting the lives of the North Korean people. Participants also examined the intimate relationship between sanctions and the survival of ordinary North Koreans and the reality of the jangmadang. In this regard, both foreign and Korean experts well-informed on news from within North Korea shared their valuable information and viewpoints through presentations and open-minded discussion about what to do considering the changes eddying around us.

Participants: Lee Kwan-Sei (Director, IFES), Carl Geshman (President, NED), Chad O'Carroll (Korea Risk Group), Wen Cui (Yanbian University), Ishimaru Jiro (Asia Press International), Eul-chul Lim (IFES), Andray Abrahamian (Griffith Asia Institute), Jin Hee Cho (KPMG), Sung Kyung Kim (University of North Korean Studies), Keumsoon Lee (Korea Institute for National Unification), Byeong Uk Kim (North Korea Development Institute), Seong-ho Ji (NAUH), Sang Yong Lee (Daily NK), Sokeel Park (LiNK), Dean Ouellette (IFES)

Peace Forum 2018

Prospects of Cross-Strait Relations and East Asian Development

Date: October 7, 2018

Organizers: Kyungnam University, Soka University, Chinese Culture University



This international forum promotes East Asian peace research by fostering academic exchanges among Korea, Japan, and Taiwan. It held its first conference in Okinawa, Japan in 2017 under the theme of "Building Up a Peace Community in Asia." The 2018 conference was held in Taipei, Taiwan. Participants engaged in in-depth discussions on major issues in East Asia including cross-strait relations, economic development, and regional security issues.

Participants: Chi Su (Chairman, Taipei Forum), Hsuan-Hsiang Lim (Chinese Culture University), Chein-kuo Pang (Chinese Culture University), Edward I-Hsin Chen (Chinese Culture University), Hsiao-Yun Yu (Chinese Culture University), Kenji Nakayama (Soka University), Jung Kim (University of North Korean Studies), Hideki Tamai (Soka University), Philip Hsu (National Taiwan University), Yunchang Jeffrey Bor (Chinese Culture University), Youngsoo Yu (University of North Korean Studies), Minoru Koide (Soka University), Kaocheng Wang (Tamkang University), Kwei-Bo Huang (National Chengchi University), Yong-Il Moon (IFES), Gregory Coutaz (Chinese Culture University)

25th IFES-WWICS International Workshop

Workshop on Contemporary Korean History

Date: November 16, 2018

Organizers: IFES, Woodrow Wilson Center, University of North Korean Studies

Sponsors: University of North Korean Studies



This institute held a workshop that examined conflicts in East Asia, the legacy of political order in South Korea, the Middle East's relations with North Korea, and prospects for new research on the Korean War via media analysis. Participants also examined engagement in the process of policy toward North Korea from Park Chung Hee to Kim Dae Jung administrations in South Korea.

Participants: Junyong Sun (Kyungnam University), Robert Litwak (Woodrow Wilson Center), Christian Ostermann (Woodrow Wilson Center), Jong-Dae Shin (University of North Korean Studies), Joseph Torigian (American University), Mina Lee (University of Virginia), Kelly Hur (IFES), Shin Yon Kim (Syracuse University), Charles Kraus (Woodrow Wilson Center), Balazs Szalontai (Korea University), Donghyun Woo (UCLA), Sheila Miyoshi Jager (Oberlin College), Benjamin Katzeff Silberstein (University of Pennsylvania), Thomas Stock (UCLA), Patrick Chung (University of Maryland)

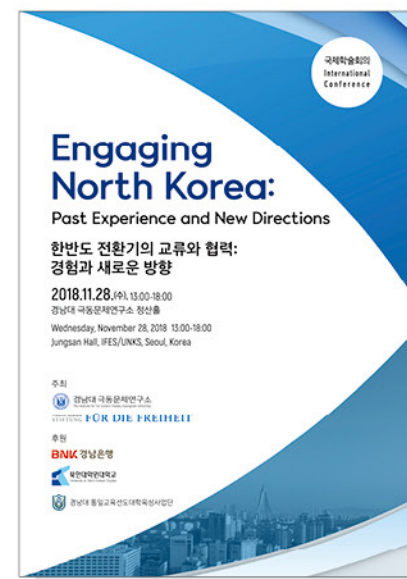
IFES - Friedrich Naumann Foundation Joint International Conference

Engaging North Korea: Past Experience and New Directions

Date: November 28, 2018

Organizers: IFES, Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom Korea Office

Sponsors: Kyungnam Bank, University of North Korean Studies, Kyungnam University



This conference brought together experts and scholars to assess the past twelve months of North Korea's political outreach and warming relations; take a critical look at current positions, relevant policies, and existing constraints; and discuss new directions for engagement with North Korea as South Korea and the international community together search for pathways to promote sustainable peace on the peninsula.

Participants: Kwan Sei Lee (Director, IFES), Christian Taaks (Head of Korea Office, FNF), Ahn Ho Young (President, UNKS; former ROK Ambassador to US), John Delury (Yonsei University), Aidan Foster-Carter (Leeds University), Kim Byung-Yeon (Seoul National University), Sung-Kyung Kim (University of North Korean Studies), Virginie Grzelczyk (Aston University), Kim Dong-Sun (Kyonggi University), Dean Ouellette (IFES), Benjamin Katzeff Silberstein (Foreign Policy Research Institute), Eulchul Lim (IFES)

UNIFICATION STRATEGY FORUM

IFES holds the Unification Strategy Forum, which collectively discusses issues pertaining to North Korea, the unification of the Korean Peninsula, and East Asia security. The forum aims to support policy making and policy action through cooperation with the government. It also contributes to policy development via participation of former officials. Over 60 forums have been held thus far and corresponding reports issued.



Unification Strategy Forum No. 61

Challenges for the Success of the Inter-Korean Summit in 2018

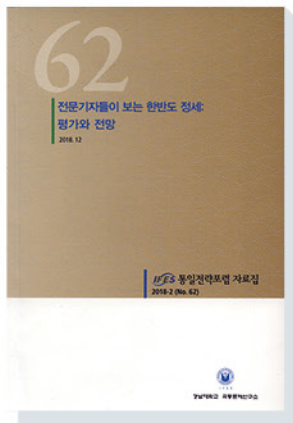


Date: April 5, 2018
Moderator: Kwan Sei Lee (Director, IFES)
Presenter: Park Jongchul (Korea Institute for National Unification), Sung-ryul Chol (The Institute for National Security Strategy), Moon-Soo Yang (University of North Korean Studies)
Discussions: Yeon-Chul Kim (Inje University), Kab-Woo Koo (University of North Korean Studies), Bong-hyun Cho (IBK Economic research institute)



Unification Strategy Forum No.62

The Korean Peninsula from the Perspective of Experts: Evaluations and Prospects



Date: December 6, 2018
Moderator: Kwan Sei Lee (Director, IFES)
Presenter: Suk Ho Shin (Dong-A Ilbo),
Hyun-kyung Kim (MBC),
Yong Hoon Jang (Yonhap News),
Jae-hoon Lee (Hankyoreh),
Son Taek Wang (YTN)
Discussions: Jung-jin Cho (Segye Ilbo),
Soo SukKoh (jtb), Jung Sik Ahn (SBS),
Yongchul Kong (KBS),
Mi-kyung Kim (Seoul Shinmun)



STRATEGIC DIALOGUES

The IFES Strategic Dialogues seek to create robust discourse with foreign institutions and partners on issues of mutual interest, maximize synergies between institutions, and bolster experts' networks.



Strategic Dialogues (January 22, 2019)

Experts on Korean Peninsula from Japan Visits IFES for a Closed-Door Meeting

Experts on Korean peninsula from Japan visited the Institute on the morning of January 22, 2019 and a meeting was held with the IFES faculty. At this meeting, experts from both sides exchanged opinions on several topics: Kim Jong Un's New Year's Address of 2019, the second US-DPRK summit, Northeast Asia regional politics, and South Korea-Japan relations. Participants also shared their views on the changing situation of the Korean Peninsula including the North Korean and the inter-Korean relations as well as Korea-Japan relations and public opinion in the two countries.

- Participants:**
- JAPAN:** Masao Okonogi (Keio University), Hajime Izumi (Tokyo International University), Hirai Hisashi (Kyodo News), Hiraiwa Shunji (Nanzan University), Nishino Junya (Keio University), Tomoki Iimura (JIIA)
- IFES:** Lee Kwan-Sei (Director), Dong Yub Kim, Eul-Chul Lim, Sang Man Lee, Yong-Il Moon, Jin-Gu Cho, Cheol-Wun Jang

IFES-UNKS Hold Workshop for Visiting Professors



On January 16, 2018, a IFES-UNKS Workshop for a visiting professors was held at the Chosun Hotel in Jung-gu, Seoul. At the workshop, professors discussed the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics improvement of inter-Korean relations, and the transition of the situation on the Korean Peninsula.



On January 8, 2019, a IFES-UNKS Workshop for a visiting professors was held at the Chosun Hotel in Jung-gu, Seoul. Participants discussed issues such as the easing military tensions between the two Koreas, the meaning of Kim Jong Un's 2019 New Year's Address, and the possibility of a second North Korea-United States summit.

Publication of 30-volume record of North Korea's history

IFES holds workshop commemorating the publication of *BukJoseon Silok* [Record of North Korea]

On October 17, 2018, IFES held a workshop to commemorate the publication of *BukJoseon Silok* [Record of North Korea]. This 30-volume record covers various aspects of the history of North Korea, and thus serves as an indispensable resource for scholars and students studying about the country. The institute plans to expand the number of books in the collection in the future.





ASIAN PERSPECTIVE



Asian Perspective is a quarterly peer-reviewed social sciences journal of world/ comparative politics that focuses on the political economy and international affairs of East Asia. Published since 1977, the journal presents critical analysis of the global, regional, and transnational issues affecting Northeast Asia, bringing cogent, thought-provoking examination of the significant developments in Asia and the world and promotes a healthy exchange of ideas among scholars, students, and policymakers. It is listed on the Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI) and Elsevier's SCOPUS, among other indexes. Since 2011 the journal has been published by Lynne Rienner Publishers. Beginning in 2019, the journal will carry the imprimatur of Johns Hopkins University Press.

Special Issues 2018

42:3 (July-Sept)

Russia in the Asia Pacific

Guest Editor: Gaye Christoffersen

42:4 (Oct-Dec)

China's Relations with Its Neighbors: Historical Perspectives on Contemporary Issues

Guest Editor: Yafeng Xia



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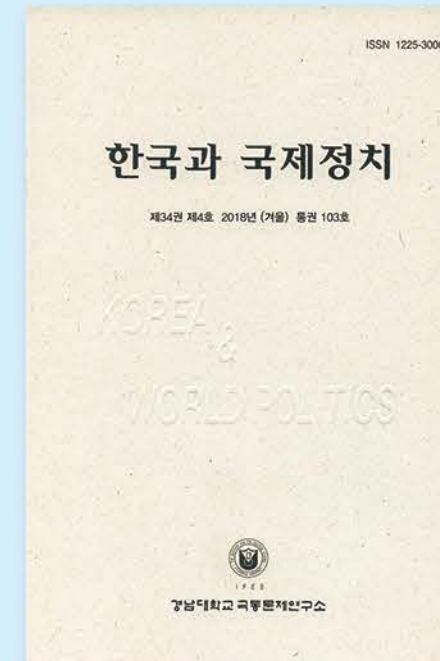
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KOREA AND WORLD POLITICS



First published in 1985, Korea and World Politics is a quarterly journal that provides scholars the opportunity to expand their intellectual contribution to the study of world politics, with a particular focus on issues involving Korea.

Through such contributions, the journal seeks to fulfill a more practical role in resolving the conflicts that entangle the Korean Peninsula.

33:1 The return of geopolitics, and the future of liberal world order

Guest Editor: Ho Chul Lee (Incheon University)

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Guest Editor: Won-Taek Kang (Seoul National University)



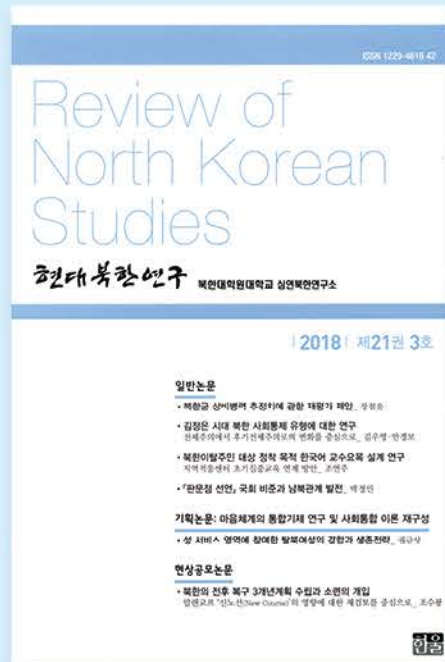
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REVIEW OF NORTH KOREAN STUDIES



Published by the University of North Korean Studies, Review of North Korean Studies provides established and emerging scholars the chance to publish high-quality academic research that explores topics about North Korea directly, enhancing our understanding of its society and system (and unification issues more broadly), serving to enhance our understanding of the country and elevate North Korean studies as a discipline. The journal welcomes contributions from academia and research institutes.

Leading contributions 2018

21:2 North Korean Political System and the Habits of Heart: The functions of Juche Ideology and Sinso
(Sung Kyung Kim, University of North Korean Studies)

21:3 Competition and Survival Strategy of North Korean Defectors Participating in Sex Service Area
(Kwon Keum Sang, Healthy Family Support Center)

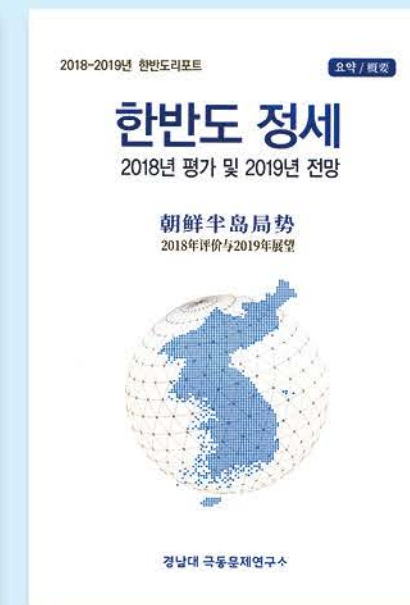
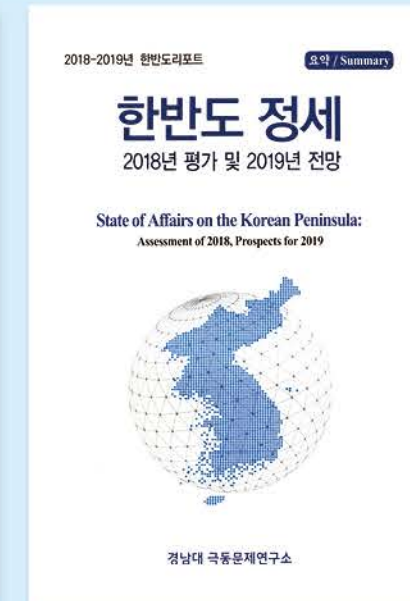


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REPORT ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA



Since its establishment in 1972 IFES has strived to be a leader in research on peace and the unification of Korea. As part of our commitment to such leadership, the institute has published the Korean Peninsula Report every year since 2011. This annual publication aims to provide timely and accurate analyses of the ever-changing state of affairs on the peninsula and in the region, along with cogent policy recommendations.

IFES ISSUES AND ANALYSIS



The Institute for Far Eastern Studies, Kyungnam University

Issues and Analysis, one of IFES's online publications, expresses a diversity of analytical views on the political, security, economic, and social trends and developments in East Asia—covering such issues as the US-North Korea summitry, missile defense-systems deployment, China's economic rise, human rights in North Korea, nuclear proliferation, ROK-Japan relations, and more—with a particular focus on those that directly affect the Korean Peninsula. As part of our goal to present penetrating and well-timed analysis to a wider global leadership, these analytical essays, written primarily in Korean, are translated into English, Chinese, and Japanese and circulated electronically. All essays appear in pdf format and can be downloaded from the IFES website.



Kim Jong Un's 2019 New Year's Address was, generally speaking, a replay of the performance he has shown since his first New Year's Address in 2013. That being said, instead of wearing uminboks, or 'people's clothes', and presenting his address from a standing podium like before, this year he was seated on a sofa chair dressed in a black suit with a necktie. That he wore a black suit with a necktie instead of uminbok—a symbol of socialism—suggests that he was trying to emphasize his image of being the leader of a 'normal country'. Moreover, that he made his address while seated on a sofa was likely aimed at showing that he is no different from leaders in the US and other countries.

There were few noteworthy areas of the address that concerned North Korea's domestic economy, politics or society. The emphasis on "self-reliance" in the address likely symbolizes that North Korea understands that there is no easy way to resolve the strengthening of the international community's sanctions on North Korea, which have stemmed from the country's nuclear and missile development. In past public speeches, including Kim occasionally presented specific numbers while talking about the country's economic growth, but this year, however, it was notable that the address was largely devoid of such figures.

The area in the address that concerned South Korea were already given the 'Year-end Personal Letter' that Kim sent to President Moon frequently to do peace and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula and to jointly resolve The New Year's Address also assessed 2018 inter-Korean relations and expressed a strong resolve to further expand and develop the in 2019. Kim's statement that he was open to resuming the Kaesong Industrial Complex tourism "without any precondition or in return for nothing" resolve to use inter-Korean relations to overcome the difficulties that sanctions and external pressure.

Kim's repeated emphasis on unification in the address requires special attention. Kim's statement that North and South Korea should "actively try to plan based on nationwide agreement and direct sincere efforts to do that" North Korea may mount a campaign toward South Korea at the nongovernmental level. Given that the government-led expansion of Korean relations is not easy due to continued sanctions on North Korea, North Korea may actively try to bypass this issue by engaging in nongovernmental activities. North Korea thus may again use a "Joint Conference of Representatives of Political Parties and South Korea" or a "summit-to-conference" proposal that the country has often used in the past.

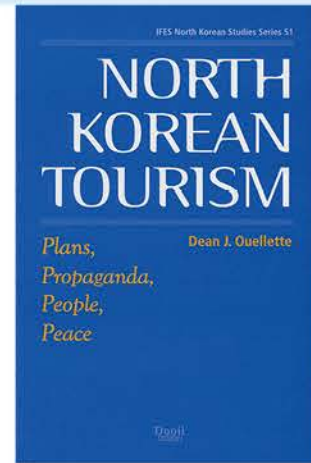
North Korea likely proposed multilateral negotiations aimed at establishing a new framework for inter-Korean relations, as the South Korean government has been bringing about the improvement in US-DPRK relations and on the Korean Peninsula. North Korea's change of attitude toward the Korean Peninsula was a significant shift in its foreign policy.



朝鮮半島では9月に開演する平昌冬五輪への期待と希望が強い。文在寅(ムンジェイン)政権は五輪を機に南北関係を改善、北朝鮮の対北政策に注力する方針を示している。北朝鮮は五輪を機に南北関係を改善、北朝鮮の対北政策に注力する方針を示している。北朝鮮は五輪を機に南北関係を改善、北朝鮮の対北政策に注力する方針を示している。

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BOOKS



NORTH KOREAN TOURISM: PLANS, PROPAGANDA, PEOPLE, PEACE

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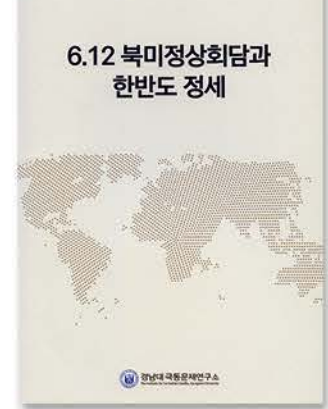
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Category: North Korean Studies
Year: 2017 Author: Suk Ho Shin et al.



NORTH KOREA-U.S. SUMMIT AND SITUATION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA

Category: North Korean Studies
Year: 2018



THE MEANING AND CHALLENGES OF THE 2018 INTER-KOREAN SUMMIT

Category: North Korean Studies
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GLOBAL PROGRAMS & ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS

SSPK



The Summer Studies Program in Korea (SSPK) is a program set up to support scholars who live and work outside Korea but wish to conduct field research in the country for several weeks and up-to two months with a research topic relevant to the institute’s agenda. Applications are accepted year round. Scholars selected are provided room and board, access to the library and facilities, and are expected to devote themselves full-time to their research. Near the completion of their stay, scholars are given an opportunity to discuss their research and present their findings in a special lecture to IFES researchers and staff.

June – August 2018

Eunsung Cho (PhD Candidate, Department of History, Columbia University)
The Threat of Juche: Vinalon, a Figuration between Science and Society in North Korea, 1984-1970

ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP AND EXCHANGES



January 2018

Signing of MOU for academic exchange with Shanghai University of Political Science and Law in China

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS SEMINARS



February 22, 2018

Seminar No.123
Andray Abrahamian (Research Fellow, Pacific Forum CSIS) North Korea and Myanmar: Divergent Paths

April 23, 2018

Seminar No.124
John Park (Harvard Kennedy School, Korea Working Group Director)
The Effect of Trump's Maximum Pressure and Sanctions on North Korea

October 31, 2018

Seminar No.125
Yoshihide Soeya (Professor of political science and international relations at the Faculty of Law of Keio University) Internal and External Policies of the Abe Cabinet and North Korea

November 30, 2018

Seminar No.126
Tereza Novotna (Researcher, Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)
The Role of the EU in North Korea

December 21, 2018

Seminar No.127
Nakagawa Masahiko (Visiting professor, IFES, Kyungnam University)
North Korean Business Groups

February 12, 2019

Seminar No.128
Yulan Xu (Deputy Dean of Center for North and South Korea Studies and Professor of Journalism, Yanbian University)
Inter-Korean Broadcast Exchanges: Current Status and Future Prospects

February 22, 2019

Seminar No.129
Joel S. Wit (Senior Fellow and Director of Stimson Center) 2019 North Korean-United States Vietnam Summit Prospects

IFES, Kyungnam University to Receive the 2018 DMZ Peace Prize



IFES, Kyungnam University was selected to receive the 2018 DMZ Peace Prize.

Since 2005, Gangwon Province and the Kangwon Ilbo have been awarding the DMZ Peace Prize yearly to individuals and organizations that have contributed significantly to peace on the Korean Peninsula through inter-Korean exchanges and cooperation, and the results for this year's prize recipient was announced on October 26th.

IFES which was chosen as the recipient of the 2018 DMZ Peace Prize, was founded in 1972 and since then has conducted research centered on peace on the Korean Peninsula and North Korea and unification issues. It has also led domestic and international discourse while leading the search for policy alternatives for the realization of a desirable future for the Korean Peninsula through close research and academic cooperation with the University of North Korean Studies.

This year, IFES organized in conjunction with the Ministry of Unification, the Korea Global Forum (KGF), which consists of seven conferences in six different counties with the goal of spreading and consolidating consensus on peace and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula. In addition, IFES has held a total of 140 conferences in Korea and abroad during the past 46 years. In particular, it has continuously sought policy alternatives and strategies along with the enhancement of research for the purpose of establishing peace on the Korean Peninsula.

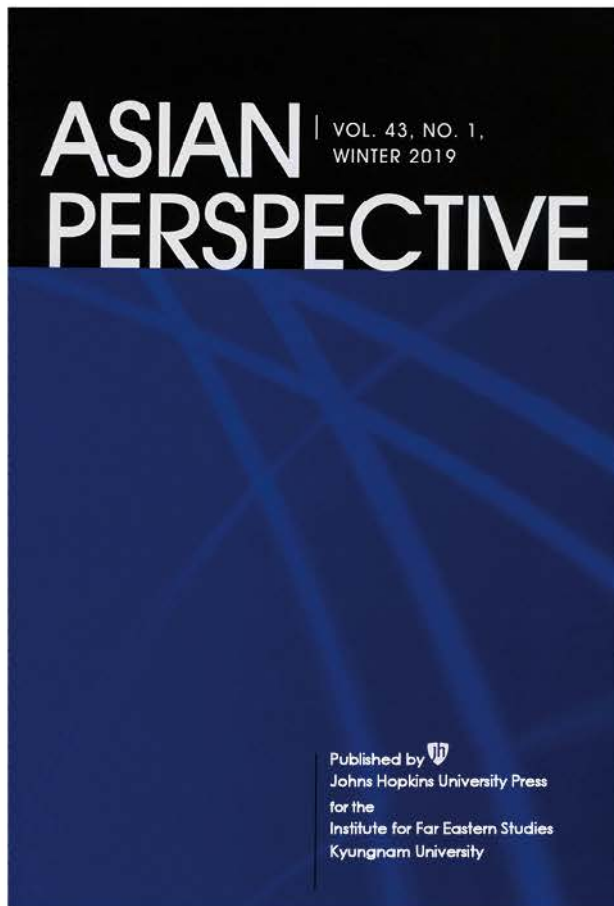
As part of this effort, IFES has signed MOUs with more than 45 leading universities and research institutes in Korea and abroad, actively promoting academic exchanges and cooperation.

IFES has been continuously placed in the top ten of "Korea's Top 100 Think Tanks" in the field of foreign affairs and security along with other national and government-sponsored research institutes.

Director Lee Kwan-Sei said that, "It is a great honor to be awarded the prestigious 2018 DMZ Peace Prize," and that, "I believe that the 2018 DMZ Peace Prize will make IFES even more devoted to the role that it has been fulfilling and it will do its best to fulfill its missions."

Representative individuals and organizations that have won the DMZ Peace Prize so far include Gojung Ju-young, Honorary Chairman of Hyundai Group (2008), and the Korea Red Cross Society (2013).

The 2018 DMZ Peace Prize awards ceremony was held at the Sorak Sun Valley Resort in Gosung, Gangwon Province on Thursday, November 15th.



42 years of English journal in history

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