Kim Koo Professional Series

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Letter from the President

The Kim Koo Professional Series is designed to educate senior New York professionals on the significant issues affecting the Korean Peninsula and East Asia. In Spring 2020, the Society marked completion of its tenth series, providing the latest class of fellows with an opportunity to learn from and discuss issues with thought leaders. The world’s attention has focused on the recent unprecedented geopolitical and diplomatic developments on the Korean peninsula, and so the demand for an understanding of such developments and the underlying issues is on the rise. The Kim Koo Professional Series at the Korea Society fulfills this need.

The goal of the Kim Koo Professional Series is to enrich the knowledge of thought leaders from business, media and international organizations. With a growing pool of fellows, the Series also fosters networking and communication among working professionals from these different fields, including various United Nations departments, including the Panel of Experts, major media networks, financial service firms, Missions to the UN, and more.

The Korea Society is able to conduct this series thanks to the generous support of the Kim Koo Foundation, conceived to honor the life of Kim Koo, the Korean independence leader and president of the Korean Provisional Government in Shanghai in 1926. Kim Koo dedicated his life to Korea’s independence and peaceful unification. The essence of Kim Koo’s philosophy is expressed in the following quotation:

“I do not necessarily want our nation to become the richest and the most powerful in the world. . . . But the one thing that I desire in infinite quantity is the power of a highly-developed culture. This is because the power of culture is the one thing that grants happiness to our nation as well as to others.”

The Society is proud to work with the Kim Koo Foundation to fulfill our mission in promoting the U.S.-Korea relationship and working toward peace, stability and prosperity in East Asia.

Tom Byrne
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Lin Cao is the focal point for East Asia in the Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). She has more than 20 years of professional experience in international development assistance.

Junsuk (Tony) Choi joined AIG in 2018 as a client director of Asian Corporate Solutions, and is now the team lead for North America operations of Asian multinational companies.

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Laurie Mincieli currently serves in the office of the High Representative at the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA). Prior to ODA, she has held positions in the UN Department of Peace Operations, as well as think tanks and non-governmental organizations, focusing on multilateral conflict prevention and peacebuilding.
**Gloria Steil** teaches Literary and Critical Studies at Pratt Institute, with a focus on Contemporary Korean Fiction and Film. She has also taught Literature in Translation, 19th-century European Novel, English Composition, Introduction to Literature, and Academic Writing at Columbia, NYU, CUNY, and various institutions in Seoul and Tokyo.

**David Wainer** writes about international affairs and the United Nations for Bloomberg News in New York. David was previously based in Jerusalem, where he was deputy Bureau Chief for Bloomberg News.

**Joan Wargo** is Deputy Director of the Center for Korean Legal Studies at Columbia Law School. She has two decades of experience as a fundraiser in university settings and in the fields of local economic development and human services.

**Sung-Yoon Lee**, Kim Koo-Korea Foundation Professor of Korean Studies and Assistant Professor, teaches courses on Korea and U.S.-East Asia relations at the renowned Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. He is a former research fellow with the National Asia Research Program, a joint initiative by the National Bureau of Asia Research and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and a former associate in research at the Korea Institute, Harvard University.

**Bruce Klingner** specializes in Korean and Japanese affairs as the senior research fellow for Northeast Asia at The Heritage Foundation’s Asian Studies Center. Klingner’s analyses and writing about North Korea, South Korea and Japan, as well as related issues, are informed by his twenty years of service at the Central Intelligence Agency and the Defense Intelligence Agency.

**Sue Mi Terry** joined CSIS in 2017 as senior fellow for Korea after a distinguished career in intelligence, policymaking, and academia following Korean issues. She also teaches at the Asian Studies Program at Georgetown University and is an analyst and commentator for MSNBC and NBC News programs. Prior to CSIS, she served as a senior analyst on Korean issues at the CIA from 2001 to 2008, where she produced hundreds of intelligence assessments—including a record number of contributions to the president’s Daily Brief.
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November 7  
**Korea-Japan Relations**
Katrin Katz  
Center for Strategic and International Studies

November 21  
**Korean Peninsula Security Update**
General (ret.) Vincent Brooks  
Former United States Forces Korea/United Nations Command/Combined Forces Commander General

December 5  
**The US-DPRK Summit Process**
Tom Byrne and Jonathan Corrado  
Korea Society

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CLASS FALL 2019 PARTICIPANTS

*Grace Choi* is the Director of Policy in the NYC Mayor’s Office. She served in President Obama’s Administration as Policy Advisor in the Secretary of State’s Office on Global Women’s Issues and as Staff Assistant in the White House Liaison’s Office at the U.S. Department of State.

*Tam Chung* is a Senior Political Affairs Officer as well as the Special Assistant to the Director & Deputy to the High Representative at the Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) at the United Nations. He also leads ODA’s DPRK team.

*Franz-Stefan Gady* is Senior Editor with The Diplomat. Franz-Stefan also is a Senior Fellow with the EastWest Institute and a Research Fellow at the Institute for International Strategic Studies. He is the author of a number of monographs and book chapters on Asian and European security issues.

*Matt Hays* joined Gryphon Strategies in 2019 as Director for Asia Operations. Matt advises clients investing in and/or conducting business in the APAC region and manages Gryphon’s political risk, business intelligence, due diligence and other investigative offerings in Asia.

*Isaac Kim* is Vice President at JPMorgan, where he oversees regulatory affairs for derivative securities. Previously, Isaac conducted credit risk reserve (CVA) valuation at JPMorgan, and served as a credit risk manager at Deutsche Bank, Bear Stearns, and the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi.

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Chris Rice is Director of the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) United Nations Office in New York City. From 2014 to 2019 Chris served in South Korea as MCC’s Director for Northeast Asia, leading MCC’s relief, development, and peace work on the Korean peninsula.

Frank Ucciardo has reported on International Affairs over the last two decades for AP, NBC, CBS and is currently the Chief U.N. Correspondent for TRT World International Television News.

Todd Wiesel is a member of the Instructional Support team at Columbia’s School of Professional Studies and a former IDF urban warfare and counter terror specialist.

**SPEAKERS**

Katrin Katz is a former director for Japan, Korea, and oceanic affairs on the staff of the National Security Council, where she served from 2007 to 2008. Previously, she was an analyst at the Central Intelligence Agency. In 2017, she received the inaugural Sherman Family Korea Emerging Scholar Lecture Series award from the Korea Society.

General (ret.) Vincent Brooks is a career Army officer who recently retired from active duty as the four-star general in command of all US Forces in Korea, where he concurrently commanded United Nations Command as well as the Republic of Korea—US Combined Forces Command comprising over 650,000 Koreans and Americans under arms.

Tom Byrne is president of the Korea Society. He worked prior in senior positions with Moody’s. He is a graduate of Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS), worked in the Peace Corps in Korea, and teaches graduates at Columbia University’s SIPA and at Georgetown University.

Jonathan Corrado is director for policy. He worked at McLarty Associates in Washington, DC and is a graduate of the Georgetown School of Foreign Service. He served as a Korean-to-English translator for three years with Daily NK and currently writes for NK Pro.
April 4  
*Korea at a Crossroads*  
Scott Snyder  
Council on Foreign Relations

April 11  
*Nuclear North Korea and Alliances in Northeast Asia*  
Victor Cha  
Center for Strategic and International Studies  
Georgetown University

April 18  
*New Northern and Southern Strategies on the Peninsula*  
Gordon Flake  
Perth USAsia Centre

**KIM KOO PROFESSIONAL SERIES CLASS SPRING 2019 PARTICIPANTS**

*Roy Appelman* is co-head of strategic partnerships and a senior portfolio manager within the Global Portfolio Solutions (GPS) Group in Goldman Sachs Asset Management. Previously, he led the strategic asset allocation and quant research effort in GPS.

*Hannah Bae* is a freelance journalist who is currently an Open City fellow in narrative nonfiction at Asian American Writers’ Workshop and the president of Asian American Journalists Association’s New York chapter.

*Henri Féron* is a Post-Doctoral Research Scholar for the Center for Korean Legal Studies at Columbia Law School. His research focuses on use of force, sanctions, law of the sea and Korean reunification.

*Yoonhee Oh* is a Korean journalist working at The Chosun Ilbo. Since 2005, she has covered various issues including crimes, education, welfare, real estate and retail business. She is now the paper’s New York correspondent.

*Jonas Pasquier* is a Swiss career diplomat, currently serving as Deputy Political Coordinator at the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations, where he is the lead-expert on MENA and Asia dossiers.

*Matt Peterson* is a journalist who covers global affairs. He’s the editor of The Masthead, The Atlantic’s premium subscription service, which he launched in 2017.
**SPEAKERS**

**Anders Sköldbeard** is a Swedish diplomat currently serving as First Secretary at the Mission of Sweden to the United Nations in New York. He is covering files connected to Europe, Latin–America and Asia, including DPRK.

**Jonathan Taylor** is the North Korea Political Advisor at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations and is responsible for managing the United Nations 1718 Sanctions Committee for the United States.

**Frank Ucciardo** is the Chief UN Correspondent for TRT WORLD News. The Emmy Award-winning Correspondent has worked for CBS, NBC and CNN.

**Scott Snyder** is senior fellow for Korea studies and director of the program on U.S.–Korea policy at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). His program examines South Korea’s efforts to contribute on the international stage, its potential influence and contributions as a middle power in East Asia; and the peninsular, regional, and global implications of North Korean instability. Mr. Snyder is the author of South Korea at the Crossroads: Autonomy and Alliance in an Era of Rival Powers.

**Victor Cha** is Senior Adviser and Korea Chair at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. He also holds the D.S. Song-KF Professorship in Government and International Affairs at Georgetown University. He left the White House in 2007 after serving since 2004 as Director for Asian Affairs at the National Security Council (NSC).

**Gordon Flake** is founding CEO of the Perth USAsia Centre at the University of Western Australia. Prior to joining the Centre, he was the Executive Director of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation, a Senior Fellow and Associate Director of the Program on Conflict Resolution at The Atlantic Council of the United States, and Director for Research and Academic Affairs at the Korea Economic Institute of America.
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October 25  
**US-Korea Alliance**  
Professor Terry Roehrig  
Naval War College

November 8  
**Capitol Hill, Midterm Elections, and Prospects for Korea and Asia**  
Mark Manyin  
Congressional Research Service  
Emma Chanlett-Avery  
Congressional Research Service

November 15  
**The US-DPRK Summit Process**  
Professor Sung-Yoon Lee  
Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

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Arthur Everett Byrnes is the Senior Managing Director (and co-owner) of Deltic Asset Management LLC, a boutique investment management firm best known for its emerging markets expertise.

Ollie Campbell is a senior policy analyst at the UK Mission to the United Nations, where his portfolio includes the 1718 DPRK Sanctions Committee. Prior to working for the Foreign and Commonwealth office, Ollie spent 17 years as an officer in the British Army.

Bilal Aurang Zeb Durran is Partnerships Manager with UNICEF Headquarters, he is responsible for establishing and managing partnerships with the governments of East Asia and the Pacific.

Kjetil J. Halvorsen is a Norwegian diplomat. He joined the Norwegian Foreign Service in 1993 and is currently working at the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations. His area of responsibility covers a wide range of peace and security issues, including Democratic People’s Republic of Korea.

Katrin Fraser Katz, currently an adjunct fellow (non-resident) at the Center for Strategic Studies (CSIS), is a former director for Japan, Korea and oceanic affairs on the staff of the U.S. National Security Council (NSC), where she served from 2007 to 2008.

Juliet Lee is the Project Manager at the Forum on Asia-Pacific Security at the NCAF, where she organizes Track 1 1/2 and Track II conferences and meetings on Northeast Asian security issues. She is also a Pacific Forum CSIS Young Leader 2018 cohort.
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Klara Wyrzykowska works as an associate Political Affairs Officer in the United Nations Department of Political Affairs. She’s been a member of the Northeast Asia Team, Asia and the Pacific Division, since April 2018, and covers the Republic of Korea and inter-Korean relations. She also supports the division in covering China, Japan and Mongolia.

SPEAKERS

Terry Roehrig is professor of National Security Affairs and the Director of the Asia-Pacific Studies Group. He has been a Research Fellow at the Kennedy School at Harvard University in the International Security Program and the Project on Managing the Atom and a past President of the Association of Korean Political Studies.

Mark Manyin is a specialist in Asian Affairs at the Congressional Research Service (CRS), a non-partisan agency that provides information and analysis to members of the U.S. Congress and their staff.


Sung-Yoon Lee, Kim Koo-Korea Foundation Professor of Korean Studies and Assistant Professor, teaches courses on Korea and U.S.-East Asia relations at The Fletcher School, Tufts University. His opeds have been published multiple times in The Hill, Los Angeles Times, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Foreign Policy, Foreign Affairs, and Asia Times.
March 8  
**Korea’s Regional Relations**  
John Park  
Harvard Kennedy School

March 15  
**North Korea’s Economy**  
Nicholas Eberstadt  
American Enterprise Institute

March 22  
**North Korean Human Rights**  
Greg Scarlatoiu of the Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

**Yan Chen** is currently a senior consultant at Momentum Advisors. She spent over a decade working in Asia in capital markets, financial management, and international business.

**Lila Del Colle** is a First Secretary at the Netherlands Permanent Mission to the UN and is the focal point for DPRK and Iran related issues in the UN Security Council. Lila previously served in Geneva and the Hague in various multilateral positions, ranging from security policy to human rights.

**Jong Kwon Youn** is a member of the UN’s Panel of Experts on DPRK sanctions. Since joining the ROK foreign service in 1996, he served as Director of Disarmament and Non-proliferation Division, and was a delegation member to the UN First Committee, NPT Review Conference, MTCR and NSG Plenary meetings, and the Six-Party Talks, among others.

**Charles Kimball** has been the Managing Director of the Korea Center for International Finance — New York, since October 2010. In this role, Mr. Kimball writes regularly on the US economy and government policy, Emerging Markets (especially China), Europe and Japan, as well as on the views of foreign investors in Korean securities.

**Ankit Panda** is an award-winning writer, analyst, and researcher focusing on international security, geopolitics, and economics in Asia. His work has appeared in a range of publications across the world, including *The Diplomat*, *The Atlantic*, *the Washington Quarterly*, *Al Jazeera*, *Politico Magazine*, *BBC News*, and *War on the Rocks*. 
Mark Power is First Secretary and Head of Strategic Threats at the UK Mission to the UN where he leads the team covering DPRK, Syria, Iran, South Asia and the Pacific as well as Counter Terrorism, sanctions and non-proliferation.

Angela Rhyee is the Director of Development at the Korea Society. She supports the President’s fundraising activities, serves as the point-of-contact for key corporate and government relationships, and organizes the Society’s special events.

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Shen Xi is Vice Consul of the Chinese Consulate General in New York. Before joining the Consulate in 2017, he worked with the Department of North American and Oceanian Affairs in the Chinese Foreign Ministry in Beijing, taking care of China-US relationship and in particular, law enforcement and consular affairs between the two countries.

Schuyler Vreeland is a New York-based trader for Deutsche Bank, specializing in a range of Asian Currency and Fixed Income Markets. In addition to trading Korean offshore currency derivatives, he has closely tracked the internationalization of the offshore Chinese Yuan in the past several years, including the CNH market since its inception.

SPEAKERS

Nicholas Eberstadt holds the Henry Wendt Chair in Political Economy at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), where he researches and writes extensively on demographics and economic development generally, and more specifically on international security in the Korean peninsula and Asia.

John Park is Director of the Korea Working Group and an Adjunct Lecturer at the Harvard Kennedy School. He is also a Faculty Affiliate with the Project on Managing the Atom at the Harvard Kennedy School’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs.

Greg Scarlatoiu is the Executive Director of the Committee for Human Rights in North Korea (HRNK) in Washington, D.C. Prior to HRNK, Scarlatoiu was with the Korea Economic Institute (KEI) in Washington, D.C. He has over six years of experience in international development, on projects funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development, the World Bank, and the Asian Development Bank.

“I really valued being with such an extraordinary group of Kim Koo fellows. The caliber of the fellows was really extraordinary, and being able to interact with them and take those conversations outside of the Kim Koo program was really rewarding for me.”

-Earl Carr, Managing Director, Momentum Advisors
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November 1  
*Trump’s Asia Trip, Washington and Current Korea Policy*  
Sue Mi Terry  
Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

November 8  
*Russia’s Tilt to Asia and Korea Policy*  
Anna Kireeva  
Moscow Institute of World Economy and International Relations

November 15  
*North Korea Sanctions and Financial Cutoffs*  
William Newcomb  
Former UN Panel of Experts Member

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Sonja Bachmann is currently leading the Team on Northeast Asia and the Pacific in the UN Department for Political Affairs, Asia and the Pacific Division. She has worked over 17 years in the United Nations Department for Political Affairs and United Nations Department for Peacekeeping Operations.

Rudy Bednar is executive producer and director for the ABC News Longform Unit. He has ten News & Documentary Emmys, four DuPonts, two Peabodys, and was nominated for two Primetime Emmys.

Earl Carr is Managing Director for Momentum Advisors, an international wealth management firm. He joined Momentum Advisors from Morgan Stanley, where he was a Vice President at the Institute for Sustainable Investing.

Martin Cooles is First Secretary at the UK Mission to the United Nations, leading on DPRK issues. He joined the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office in 2007, specialising in Sanctions Policy, and Iran.

Jonathan Corrado is associate policy director at the Korea Society, and a graduate of the Georgetown University Walsh School of Foreign Service M.A. in Asian Studies Program.

Amelie Coyet is a Swedish diplomat currently working at the Swedish Mission to the United Nations. Her primary areas of responsibility include Asia and non-proliferation and disarmament issues.

Matteo Fachinotti serves as head of the Political Section at the Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations. He’s worked in various positions at the International Organizations and the Security Policy divisions of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs in Bern, and at the Swiss Embassy in Rome.
**Timothy Foley** is an analyst at Chalkstream Capital Group, L.P., focusing on investments in Korea and Japan. Prior to Chalkstream, he worked at EFG Asset Management covering a range of alternative investments, as well as Credit Suisse and Archery Capital.

**Jane Kim** is senior director for finance at the Korea Society. She administers budgets, grants, human resources, finances and accounting.

**Ashish Pradhan** is the International Crisis Group’s UN Analyst, focusing primarily on African and Asian crises on the Security Council agenda and on the policy positions of relevant UN agencies and key governments.

**Carl-Magnus Svensson** is the serving deputy military advisor at the Swedish Mission to the United Nations, and holds a Master of Science in War Studies. He previously served as commanding officer for the Swedish Forces in Mali and have several previous positions in operational areas.

**Joost Van Dieren** serves as First Secretary at the Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the UN in New York. He covers non-proliferation and disarmament issues, including the DPRK in the context of the UN Security Council.

**Sue Mi Terry** is Senior Fellow, Korea Chair at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). Prior to CSIS, she served as a senior analyst on Korean issues at the CIA and deputy national intelligence officer for East Asia at the National Intelligence Council.

**Anna Kireeva** is a Professor at the Moscow Institute of World Economy and International Relations.

**William Newcomb** is a former UN Panel of Experts Member and US State and Treasury official. He currently is a fellow at the Center for Advanced Defense Studies (C4ADS), and was previously a visiting scholar at the US-Korea Institute at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

“It was a very rewarding experience for me. I’ve kept in touch with several of the alumni from my group and encourage anybody considering it to do it. It’s a great honor to be asked (to attend) and you’ll be glad you did.”

—Sean King, Senior Vice President, Park Strategies
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March 10

Trump and Asia
Patrick Cronin
Center for a New American Security

March 17

US-ROK Alliance and North Korea
Bruce Klingner
Heritage Foundation

March 24

China-Korea Relations and Northeast Asia Developments
Isaac Stone Fish
Center on US-China Relations
Asia Society

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Kambis Foroohar is a National Security and Foreign Policy Reporter at
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Prior, he worked at Forbes and Dow Jones.

Major General Patrick Gauchat is now Head of Swiss delegation
to Natural Nations Supervisory Commission in Panmunjom, Korea. He was
Senior Military Liaison Officer at the United Nations Department of
Peacekeeping Operations, Office of Operations and the Deputy Chief of Staff
at the United Nations Truce Supervision Office in the Middle East, working to
ensure stability in the region.
SPEAKERS

Javier Gutiérrez is a Counsellor at the Spanish Mission to the UN, where he is responsible for non-proliferation, disarmament, and international security affairs. Prior, he was responsible for the two UNSC Committees that Spain chaired (1540 on proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; and 1718 on sanctions regarding the DPRK).

Doug Hostetter is the Director of the Mennonite Central Committee Office at the United Nations where he covers Palestine, Israel, Syria, Iraq, Iran, and North and South Korea.

Cobb Mixter is an Executive at Hakluyt. He worked prior with Alcoa Corporation, as an International Affairs Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations, and Managing Director for China Operations and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs at the US Treasury Department.

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Isaac Stone Fish is a Senior Fellow at the Asia Society, on sabbatical from Foreign Policy, where he served as Asia Editor. A former Beijing correspondent for Newsweek, Stone Fish spent seven years living in China. He has appeared on or in MSNBC, NPR, the New York Times, Washington Post, The Atlantic, Slate, The Guardian, PRI, the BBC, the Sydney Morning Herald, Talking Points Memo, and Al-Jazeera, among others, and in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese, and Vietnamese media.

Bruce Klingner is a Senior Research Fellow for Northeast Asia at the Heritage Foundation’s Asian Studies Center. Klingner’s analysis and writing about North Korea, South Korea and Japan, as well as related issues, are informed by his two decades at the Central Intelligence Agency and the Defense Intelligence Agency. Klingner was the CIA’s Deputy Division Chief for Korea.

"The fondest memory I have is actually the first day coming in and sitting around a table of very accomplished and thoughtful folks from the diplomatic community to other banks and fund managers to NGOs to folks who have put their entire lives into thinking about global situations and Korea specifically."

-Bob Savage, CEO, CCTrack Solutions
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October 6

Korea and Washington: From the Hill to NGOs
Frank Jannuzzi
Mansfield Foundation

Keith Luse
National Committee on North Korea

October 13

North Korea’s Economy
Nicholas Eberstadt
Political Economy
American Enterprise Institute

November 3

Korea and East Asia: A Regional Overview
Ralph Cossa
Pacific Forum CSIS

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Kyunghoo Choi serves as Security Information Analyst in the UN’s Department of Safety and Security and is responsible for the Asia-Pacific region. She served in the ROK military.

Mark Christopher is President of Blackpeak Americas. He worked for a decade for an international corporate intelligence provider and wrote earlier on China natural resource and commodity issues at the Council on Foreign Relations.

Denise Duran is an International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) delegate to the United Nations. She spent much of her career in ICRC’s operational field delegations.

Tim Ferguson is Editor of Forbes Asia. Prior, he spent twelve years at The Wall Street Journal as editorial features editor, business world columnist and member of the editorial board.

David Hutchinson is a Principal Legal Officer in the Office of the Legal Counsel with the United Nations. David has worked on peacekeeping, special political missions, mediation, cooperation with the ICC, establishment of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC), and cooperation with and support to the International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda (ICTY and ICTR).

David Y. Lee is a political adviser at the US Mission to the United Nations, where he is the lead officer on DPRK sanctions and nonproliferation matters and counterterrorism and counter-ISIS issues. David served in the White House, most recently as Director for Nonproliferation Policy at the National Security Council.
SPEAKERS

Tomoko Okuno is a Deputy Director at the Japan Society. Prior, she worked for the Japan National Tourist Organization and in the translation and public relations fields.

Matt Pottinger, now Deputy National Security Advisor, was Senior Associate at Davidson Kempner Capital Management. Matt completed three combat deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan as a U.S. Marine.

Felicity Roxburgh is First Secretary and Alternate Political Coordinator at the New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations. She is responsible for nonproliferation and disarmament issues, including those concerning the DPRK.

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Nicholas Eberstadt holds the Henry Wendt Chair in Political Economy at the American Enterprise Institute. He writes extensively on demographics and economic development with an eye toward North Korea and Northeast Asia.

Frank Jannuzzi is President of the Mansfield Foundation and writes extensively on East Asia policy issues. For twelve years, he advised Senators Joseph Biden and John Kerry as a principal staffer in the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Keith Luse is Executive Director of the National Committee on North Korea. For over a decade, he was the Senior East Asia Policy Advisor for Senator Richard G. Lugar in the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

“I just completed the Kim Koo Fellowship Program. It was terrific. As part of the Korea Center [for International Finance] I have an opportunity to go to many different meetings involving Korea, and these were very good meetings.”

—Charles Kimball, Managing Director, Korea Center for International Finance
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April 8

Recent History and New Developments: Korea and Northeast Asia
Charles Armstrong
Columbia University

Stephanie Kleine-Ahlbrandt (discussant)
UN Panel of Experts

April 14

Engaging North Korea
Stephan Haggard
UCSD

Tom Byrne
Korea Society

Sean King (discussant)
Park Strategies

April 21

Bilateral Relations and Unification Scenarios
Sue Mi Terry
BowerGroupAsia

Samuel Martell (discussant)
UN Department of Political Affairs

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