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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear AKPS members,

I would like to express my deep gratitude to all of you for your continuing support and enthusiasm for AKPS. We have successfully finished the International Studies Association in New Orleans with two very well constructed panels. I deeply appreciate Professor Taehyun Nam for his excellent and passionate service as the ISA-AKPS program chair for the past two years. I also like to thank to Professor Tae Hyung Kim (Daemen College) who will serve as the program chair for the next two years. I hope to see growing presence of AKPS members from the next ISA meeting in Montreal.

As to the upcoming APSA Annual Meetings in Washington D.C., I would like to offer my sincere apology to the AKPS members for failing to secure more than one panel this year. Though there are a number of factors including APSA's decreasing enthusiasm toward panels organized by related groups for this radically reduced panel allocation, I regret that there was not more I could have done. The AKPS administration will do our best to recover our deserved spaces for presentations for next year. I strongly encourage all of you who will be participating in the next APSA Annual Meetings to come to the AKPS panel so that we can present our enthusiasm to the APSA headquarters.

Finally, I like to report that *Korea Observer* published a special issue (Vol. 40, No. 3) on special issues on major political trends and policy issues in Korea. The articles in this issue were selected from presentations by AKPS members at the 2009 APSA Annual Meetings in Toronto.

Again, thank you very much for all your support and enthusiasm for AKPS. If there are any suggestions and ideas for the organizational activities, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jungmin Seo

President, AKPS
Assistant Professor, University of Hawaii at Manoa

2010 AKPS/APSA PROGRAM

Panel Title: The State and People's Movements

Submitted Panel: [2010L09420](#)

Accepted Panel: [2010MP6641](#)

Paper Presenters:

Ms. Geun Koh (gnkoh@udel.edu), The Rise and Fall of Foreign Worker Policies under Economic Stress in Korea, 1997-2009

Mr. Seungmin Kuk (ithink02@gmail.com), "Network" and "Ideology" Matter: A Comparative Study of Korean and Japanese Peasants' Protectionist Movement

Mr. Byoung-ha Lee (byoung-ha@eden.rutgers.edu), The Global Recession and Immigration Policies in Korea and Japan

Mr. Choong Hoon Lee (leec608@gmail.com), Bringing the Predatory State Back In: International Emigration and the Primitive Accumulation of State Revenue in South Korea (from the early 1960s to the late 1970s)

Professor Kyung-Ae Park, University of British Columbia (kpark@politics.ubc.ca), People's Exit in North Korea: New Threat to Regime Stability?

Discussant: Professor Yooil Bae (yooilbae@smu.edu.sg), Singapore Management University

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPTS/PAPERS

AKPS/ISA Panel:

The 52nd Annual Convention of International Studies Association (ISA) will be held in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 16-19, 2011. The Association of Korean Political Studies (AKPS) is seeking paper proposals and volunteers to serve as panel chairs and paper discussants. Co-authored papers are also welcome. Papers on any aspect of Korea's foreign relations and domestic politics are acceptable. Paper proposals should include paper title, abstract (less than 500 words), name of author, address, phone & fax number, email address, and institutional affiliation. Please submit proposals by June 1, 2010 to Professor Tae-Hyung Kim at tkim@daemen.edu (Tae-Hyung Kim, Ph. D. Assistant Professor, History and Government Department, Daemen College, 4380 Main St. Amherst, NY, (tel) 716-839-8267).

2010 DMZ Peace Congress in Korea: “Green Cooperation for Peace and Life”

The 2010 DMZ Peace Congress by the Korean Association of International Studies will be held in Seoul, South Korea, from 12 to 14 August. The main theme for the Congress is “Green Cooperation for Peace and Life.” The Congress will provide a forum to discuss a wide range of subjects concerning the only heavily armed Demilitarized Zone on Earth in the Korean peninsula and its related topics such as:

- Peace in the era of globalization
- Searching for peace in the Korean peninsula
- Peace management in border regions and DMZ
- Communication and peace in the Korean peninsula
- UN and world peace including Peace-Keeping Operations
- Environmental issues and regional cooperation

The hosting organization, the Korean Association of International Studies, is one of the most prestigious academic associations in South Korea mainly studying international relations and related scholarly subjects.

We welcome submission of papers for the aforementioned areas and other related fields.

* Please submit paper proposal to the Program Director at 2010dmz@gmail.com .

-Proposal should include following information: Name, Paper Title, Paper Abstract (up to 300 words), Institution, Position, Email Address, Mailing Address, Telephone Number

-Proposal Deadline: ***April 30, 2010***

-Invited presenters will be notified by May 15, 2010

-Due for papers is July 15, 2010.

* ***Accommodation & Meals: to be borne by the KAIS***

-The KAIS will cover three to four nights (August 11~13 or 14, if joining the below DMZ tour) of accommodation and meals.

* Transportation including air & incidentals: to be borne by participants

-Partial financial assistance for airfare to scholars from developing countries may be given upon request and on the competitive basis.

* DMZ tour will be arranged after the conference (August 14, 2010).

* For further information concerning the conference and the application process for participation, please contact the Program Director at 2010dmz@gmail.com.

The Kim Myong Whai Award:

The Institute of Korean Studies announces the creation of the The Kim Myong Whai Award in recognition of his remarkable contributions to the enhancement and

internationalization of Korean Studies. Dr. Kim Myong Whai was a long time faculty member at Yonsei University and former Korean International Political Science Association President (1962~64) and Honorary President (1998~2009). He founded the Institute of Korean Studies in 1968 and served as the publisher of *Korea Observer* until he passed away on November 19th, 2009.

The prize will be awarded annually up to two individuals for outstanding papers published in *Korea Observer*, thus encouraging and rewarding contributions of the highest quality. The first Kim Myong Whai Award will be presented on January 15th, 2011. Each recipient of the award receives a certificate and a prize of USD 2,500.

Sang-Eun Park (BOD Chairman, the Institute of Korean Studies)
Choong-Mook Lee (Managing Editor, *Korea Observer*)

Korea Observer:

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RECENT APPOINTMENTS & / OR CHANGES

Dr. Gyewon Kim will be joining the Asian Studies Center at the University of Pittsburgh as the Korea-Japan Transnational Post Doctoral Fellow in the fall of 2010. Gyewon Kim received her Ph.D. in Art History from McGill University. She has been investigating theories and discourses of photography, addressing how it is enmeshed in the power/knowledge relations. She is currently working on the formation of colonial landscapes and identities, focusing on Japanese geographers' surveyance in colonial Korea. She will look particularly how topographic imaginary including maps and photographs shaped a specific geographical imagination in both Korea and Japan.

Professor Hong-jong Lee of Pukyong National University in Pusan, Korea, has been elected as President of the Korean Association of Area Studies. He wishes to strengthen the association's ties with the AKPS by exploring possibilities of co-hosting conferences and workshops. For more details on the association's activities and journal publication, visit <http://www.e-kaas.org/>.

Professor Chung-in Moon of Yonsei University spent Fall of 2009 at School of International Studies, Peking University as a Lixian Scholar, and is currently spending Spring 2010 at the University of California, San Diego as a Pacific Leadership Fellow. He is also recently appointed as senior fellow of the Pacific Century Institute. His articles have appeared in the Asian Perspective (Winter 2009) and Asian Survey (February 2010). He is currently completing a book-length manuscript, "China's Rise and Hundred Flowers Blossom" which will be published by the Samsung Economic Research Institute in June 2010 (in Korean).

Professor C. Sarah Soh at Department of Anthropology, San Francisco State University received the 2009 Francis L.K. Hsu Prize Honorable Mention award for her book, *The Comfort Women: Sexual Violence and Postcolonial Memory in Korea and Japan* (University of Chicago Press, 2008), from the Society for East Asian Anthropology of the American Anthropological Association.

MEMBER PUBLICATIONS

Articles:

Bruce E. Bechtol Jr., "The U.S. and South Korea: Prospects for Transformation, Combined Forces Operations, and Wartime Operational Control: Problems and Remedies," *International Journal of Korean Studies*, Volume XIII, Number 2 (Fall/Winter 2009): 71-96.

Walter C. Clemens, Jr. "North Korea's Quest for Nuclear Weapons: New Historical Evidence," *J. of East Asian Studies* 10, 1 (January-March 2010), pp. 127-154.

Walter C. Clemens, Jr. "What Factors Shape Korea's Future? Forces and *Fortuna* versus Ideas" *Pacific Focus* 24, 2 (August 2009), pp. 187-204.

Walter C. Clemens, Jr. "Alternative Futures for North Korea," *Global Asia* 4, 2 (Summer 2009), pp. 40-47.

Mikyong Kim. 2010. "North Korean Human Rights Policies of China and Japan: Supremacy of Domestic Priorities over International Norms," *North Korean Review*, Vol. 6, No. (Spring), 6-19.

Jungkun Seo, "Party Politics of Guns-versus-Butter in the post-Vietnam America," *Journal of American Studies*, forthcoming. 2010

Jungkun Seo, "Expressing the Sense of the Congress: Cosponsoring North Korea Policy by Members of U.S. Congress," *Korea Economic Institute of America (KEIA), Academic Paper Series*, (Washington D.C., April, 2010)

Books:

Eunsook Chung (ed.) 2010. *Policymaking Process of the US, China, Japan & Russia toward the Korean Peninsula*. Seoul: The Sejong Institute (in Korean).

Walter C. Clemens, Jr. 2010. *Getting to Yes in Korea* with foreword by Gov. Bill Richardson. Boulder, Co.: Paradigm Publishers.

Zhiqun Zhu. 2010. *China's New Diplomacy: Rationale, Strategies and Significance*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate.

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