

A Newsletter for The Association Of Korean Political Studies In North America

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New Directory

A new directory of AKPSNA members is being prepared now and will be mailed out to you soon.

AKPSNA Website

AKPSNA website is now available at
<http://www.mrs.umn.edu/~joos/akpsna/>

2000 APSA ANNUAL MEETING IN WASHINGTON

Ambassador Lee Hong Ku will host a dinner for APSA/AKPSNA program participants on Thursday, August 31. Please pass the word. Details will be announced later.

President Kyung-Ae Park called the Board meeting on August 31 at 12:30 in the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel.

AKPSNA will hold four panels at the 2000 APSA annual meeting, August 30-September 3, 2000, Washington, D.C. The program chair, Prof. Uk Heo, (Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee) announces the following program of AKPSNA panels.

Notes:

*The preliminary program of APSA is available at <http://www.apsanet.org/mtgs/program/related/index.cfm>

*All our panels are scheduled on Thursday, August 31 and Friday, September 1.

Panel I. International Environment of the Korean Peninsula (Thursday 10:45 am)

Chair:

Dalchoong Kim
The Sejong Institute

Participants:

“*Russian Policy Toward North and South Korea,*”

Alexandre Y. Mansourov
The Brookings Institution

“U. S. Policy Toward North and South Korea,”
Robert A. Manning
Progressive Policy Institute

“Japanese Policy Toward the Two Koreas in the Post-Cold War Era,”
S. Eliot Kang
Northern Illinois University

“Dismantling the Cold War Structure and Multilateral Diplomacy,”
Chung-In Moon & Jong-Yun Bae
Yonsei University

Discussants:

John Kie-chiang Oh
Catholic University of America

Seung-Ho Joo
University of Minnesota-Morris

Panel II. Multilateral Approaches to the Korean Questions (Thursday 3:30 pm)

Chair:

Ilpyong J. Kim
University of Connecticut

Participants:

“Trilateral Policy Coordination: New Buzzword or Reality?”
Victor Cha
Georgetown University

“A Multilateral Approach to the Korean Issue: KEDO’s Experience and Lesson,”
Bong-Geon Jun
The Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization

“Power Transition, Uni-multipolarity and New Security Dimension in Northeast Asia,”
Daewoo Lee
The Sejong Institute

“Comprehensive Security and Regional Cooperation in Northeast Asia,”
Tai Hwan Lee
The Sejong Institute

Discussants:

Han-Kyo Kim
University of Cincinnati

Hang Yul Rhee
Shepherd University

**Panel III. Economic Restructuring and Democratic Consolidation in South Korea
(Friday 3:30 pm)**

Chair:

Jong Oh Ra
Hollins University

Participants:

“Explaining Capital Account Liberalization and Prudential Regulation before the 1997 Crisis in South Korea,”

Yong-Ki Kim
London School of Economics and Political

“Democratization and Changing pattern of Social Pact in Korea: YS vs. DJ Government,”

Chung Hee Lee
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies &
Sangmook Lee,
Western Michigan University

“The Role of Environmental NGOs in Strengthening Civil Society in South Korea.”

Kyungtaek Oh,
Yonsei University,

“The Politics of Economic Reform in South Korea: A Comparative Perspective,”

Sunhyuk Kim
University of Southern California

Discussants:

Marn J. Cha,
California State University

Chae-Jin Lee
Claremont McKenna College

**Panel IV: Peace and Conflict in the Korean Peninsula
(Friday 10:45 am)**

Chair:

Wonmo Dong
Southern Methodist University

Co-Chair:

Yu Nam Kim
Dankook University

Participants:

“South Korea’s Security Policy in the 21st Century,”

Uk Heo

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee &

Chong-Min Hyun,

Kyonggi University &

Kwang H. Ro,

Texas A&M University

“The National Security State, the Military, and Democratic Consolidation: The Case of South Korea, 1993-1997,”

Carl J. Saxer

Oxford University

“Patterns of North Korea's Track-Two Approach,”

Kyung-Ae Park

University of British Columbia

“Out of Pariah: Would North Korea be Another South Africa?”

Sung Ju Cho,

University of Virginia

Discussants:

Young Whan Kihl,

Iowa State University

Tae Hwan Kwak

The Korean Institute of National Unification

MEMBERS’ RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Cha, Victor. *Alignment Despite Antagonism: The US-Korea-Japan Security Triangle* (Stanford University Press, 1999).

Kim, WheeGook. "From Confrontation to Cooperation: A New Paradigm of Inter-Korean Relations," *The Korea Journal of Defense Analysis* (Winter 1999): 35-77.

Joo, Seung-Ho. *Gorbachev's Foreign Policy Toward the Korean Peninsula, 1985-1991: Power and Reform* (Edwin Mellen Press, 2000).

Kyung-Ae Park and Dalchoong Kim, eds. *The Korean Security Dynamics in Transition* (St. Martin's, forthcoming).[*]

MEMBERS’ NEWS UPDATE

Prof. Tae-Hwan Kwak has retired from Eastern Kentucky University after 30 years of teaching, and now President of The Korean Institute of National Unification (KINU). Dr. Kwak invites any member visiting Seoul to contact him at:
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Prof. Dalchoong Kim (Yonsei University) became President of the Sejong Institute, Seoul, in 1999. Dr. Kim urges AKPSNA members to contact him when in Seoul at:

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Prof. Uk Heo at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee will be promoted to Associate Professor with tenure as of July 2000. Recently his articles have been accepted to American Politics Quarterly, Asian Survey, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Politics, and Political Research Quarterly (formerly Western Political Quarterly).

Prof. Victor Cha's book, *Alignment Despite Antagonism: The US-Korea-Japan Security Triangle* (Stanford University Press, 1999) won the Masayoshi Ohira Memorial Foundation Main Book Prize for best books on East Asia/Pacific Basin for 2000. Past winners include Peter Katzenstein, Kent Calder, Richard Samuels and Steve Vogel. The book was also a nominee for the Hoover Uncommon Book Award this year.

The International Council on Korean Studies (ICKS) held the Annual Conference at Sheraton National Hotel, Arlington, Virginia on June 2-4, which has been posted on the ICKS web site at <www.icks.org> as attached program package.

Prof. Kyung-Ae Park visited North Korea for the third time in December 1999. The visit, joined by Canadian foreign ministry officials, was to exchange views on ways of improving bilateral relations between Canada and North Korea. In return for this visit, North Korean foreign ministry officials made their first visit to Canada in February 2000.

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPTS

The International Journal of Korean Unification Studies (IJKUS) (formerly, Korean Journal of Unification Studies), which is published by the Korean Institute of National Unification (KINU), Seoul, solicits article manuscripts. Dr. Tae-Hwan Kwak is KINU's President and IJKUS's editor-in-chief. If you wish to have your paper published in IJKUS, please E-mail the journal's North American editor Prof. Seung-Ho Joo at <joos@mrs.umn.edu> your paper, an abstract, and a brief biodata. IJKUS is published twice a year, and detailed information about the journal can be found on the KINU home page at <<http://www.kinu.or.kr>>.

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