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### **Distinguished Lectures**

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- \_ Dr. Kensuke Tanaka (Head of Asia Desk, OECD Development Centre)
- \_ Dr. Margit Molanar (Head of the China Desk, OECD Economics Department)



On March 9, 2021, The Seoul National University's Graduate School of International Affairs(IIA) held an online seminar on "OECD Economic Outlook for Southeast Asia, China, and India," focusing on macroeconomic and structural policy responses to COVID-19, which was

released last February. Dr. Kensuke Tanaka, the Head of Asia Desk, OECD Development Centre, and Dr. Margit Molanar, the Head of the China Desk, OECD Economics Department, shared an interesting presentation about the OECD policy report to the SNU community.

### "Rice/Disaster/Country: How Koreans Became Unequal." (03/19)

\_ Cheol-Sung Lee (Professor of the Department of Sociology at Sogang University)

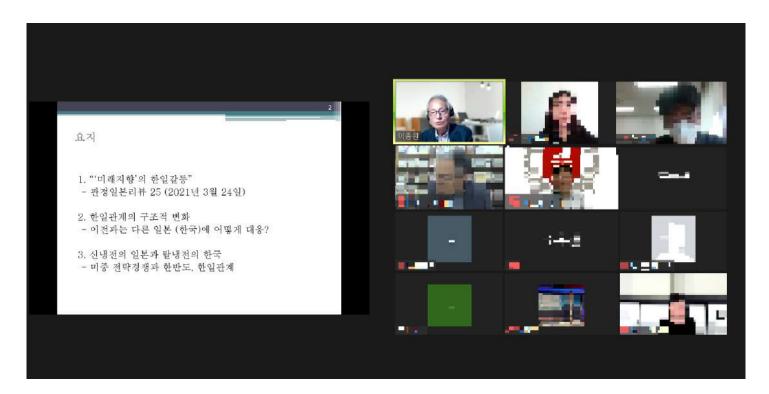


On March 19, the Seoul National University's Graduate School of International Affairs(IIA) held a seminar on East Asian development with the author of "Rice/Disaster/Country: How Koreans Became Inequal," Cheol-Sung Lee, professor of the Department of Sociology at Sogang University. The International Graduate School

Issues and Perspectives seminar was held with experts and scholars to listen to various opinions on pending issues. After the presentation, Professor Kim Hyun-Chul led the discussion and engage in a debate with the speaker.

## "The New Cold War in East Asia and the Post-Cold War on the Korean Peninsula: The International Political Structure of Korea-Japan Relations." (06/08)

\_Jong-won Lee (Professor of the Waseda University)



On June 9, 2021, Seoul National University Graduate School of International Affairs(IIA) hosted a policy seminar with Professor Jong-Won Lee of Waseda University. He gave a seminar on "The New Cold War in East Asia and the Post-Cold War on the Korean Peninsula: The In-

ternational Political Structure of Korea-Japan Relations." After the presentation, Professor Ki-Jung Nam from Institute for Japanese Studies led the discussion and debate.

### **Global Perspective**

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### "The Comfort Women Problem, How to Solve'"(4/2)

- \_Kyu Sun Shim (Visiting Researcher at Seoul Nation University Institute for Japanese Studies, Former Senior Reporter, Dong-A Ilbo)
- \_Kee-Ho Yang (Professor of Japanese Studies at Sungkonghoe University)



On April 1, 2021, the 8th Global Strategy Seminar on 'The Comfort Women Problem, How to Solve' was held by the Institute of International Affairs (IIA). The visiting researcher Kyu Sun Shim of the Institute for Japanese Studies at Seoul National University and Professor Kee-

Ho Yang, the professor of Japanese Studies at Sungkonghoe University, held an intensive discussion. As the moderator, Cheol-Hee Park, the head of the Institute of International Affairs (IIA), participated in the seminar.

## "U.S.-China Technology, Competition for Economic Hegemony and Korea's Strategic Choice" (6/14)

- \_Byoung-Il Choi(Secretary General of the Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies, Professor of Graduate School of International Studies at Ewha Womans University)
- \_Geun Lee(Professor of Department of Economics at Seoul National University, Vice-Chairperson of National Economic Advisory Council)
- \_Tae II Kim (Professor of Public Administration at Korea University and Current Dean of the College of Political Science and Economics at Korea University)



The Institute of International Affairs (IIA) held the 9th Global Strategy Seminar on June 14, 2021, with the Professor of Department of Economics at Seoul National University Geun Lee and Secretary-General of Korea Higher Education Foundation Byounh-il Choi to have

focused discussion on 'U.S.-China Technology, Competition for Economic Hegemony and Korea's Strategic Choice.' The discussion was moderated by the Dean of Sogang University's Graduate School of International Studies, Heo Yun.

### "100 Years of the Communist Party of China: Light and Shadow" (07/05)

\_Young Nam Cho (Professor of the Graduate School of International Studies at Seoul National University)

\_Hee Ok Lee (Professor of Political Science and Diplomacy at Sungkyunkwan University)



The Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted the 10th event of the Global Strategy Seminar on July 5, 2021, with Professor Young-Nam Cho of Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies and Professor Hee-Ok Lee of the Department of Political Science and International Relations at Sungkyunkwan University (Director of Sungkyunkwan Institute of Chinese Studies), had an intensive discussion on 'The 100 An intensive discussion was held on 'Year: Light and Shadow.' Professor Jong-Ho Jeong of the Graduate School of International Studies at Seoul National University moderated the debate.

### Seoul Forum for International Affairs 2021 Agenda Workshop and Global Strategy Seminar Special Session

### "Will the U.S.-led Democracy-Technology Alliance Be Established?" (7/8)

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- \_Chul Chung(Senior Researcher at the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy)



On July 8, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs at Seoul National University (IIA), along with the Seoul Forum for International Affairs, co-hosted the agenda workshop and the Global Strategy Seminar Special Session, under the theme of "Will the U.S.-led Democracy-Technology Alliance Be Established?". As the first step of the workshop, Cheol-Hee Park, the director of the Institute of International Affairs, and Hong-Koo Lee, the chairman of the Seoul Forum for the International Affairs, gave a congratulatory speech. Byung-Il Choi,

secretary-general of the Korean Foundation for Advanced Studies, moderated the seminar, and Dukgeun Ahn, a professor of International Trade Law and Policy at Seoul National University, gave the presentation on the topic. After the presentation, Seok Young Choi, former ambassador of Geneva, Yoon Heo, the director of Graduate School of International Studies at Sogang University, and Chul Chung, a senior researcher at the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, conducted the discussion.

### Institute of International Affairs (IIA) Global Excellence Seminar

## "Merit or inheritance?: Senses of Injustice among Millennials in Seoul and Tokyo" (3/12)

\_Asahina Yuki (Professor of Integrated Japanese Studies at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies)



On 12th of March, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) organized the 12th Global Excellence Seminar on 'Merit or inheritance?: Senses of Injustice among Millennials in Seoul and Tokyo.' Asahina Yuki, a professor of Integrated Japanese Studies at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, gave a presentation, analyzing the differences in the perception of economic inequality in the younger generation of Japan and Korea. The objective economic inequality index between Korea and Japan is similar, but young people in Korea feel that society is much more unfair than young people in Japan. This presentation analyzed the dominant discourse in society and the comparative base of individuals, which were important factors that led to the difference in the perception of unfairness among young Koreans and Japanese.

## "Long-Term Shifts in Korean Manufacturing and Plant-Level Productivity Dynamics" (3/19)

\_Yoonsoo Lee (Professor of the Department of Economics at Sogang University)



On March 19, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted the 13th Global Excellence Seminar on the issue of the 'Long-Term Shifts in Korean Manufacturing and Plant-Level Productivity Dynamics.' Yoonsoo Lee, a professor of the department of economics at Sogang University, gave a presentation about the continuous economic growth and changes in the industrial structure of Korea. This study analyzed factory-level data in the Korean manufacturing sector since the 1980s, focused on the electronics and electricity industries, transportation-related industries, chemical industries, and textile industries. The analysis was conducted on how factors such as productivity changes at the corporate and factory levels, resource distribution among companies, and entry and exit of companies affect the productivity improvement and growth of each industry. This study showed that the change in industrial structure from low-productivity to high-productivity industries was the main driver of Korea's continued economic growth. In addition, the findings of the recent academic community, which emphasized the importance of the young firms, were discussed.

## "International Customer Law and State Responsibility: Victims' Rights under International Human Rights Law" (3/26)

\_ Buhm-Suk Baek (Professor of Graduate School of Pan-Pacific International Studies at Kyung Hee University)

On March 26, 2021, the 14th Global Excellence Seminar was hosted by the Seoul National University Institute for International Affairs (IIA). Professor Buhm-Suk Baek of Graduate School of Pan-Pacific International Studies at Kyung Hee University presented the subject of "International Customer Law and State Responsibility: Victims' Rights under International Human Rights Law." The presentation explained the case studies on the domestic effect and status of international law, the basis and application of diplomatic protection law, and the domestic application of customary international law. This study introduced a variety of debates surrounding customary international law, including the issue of representation of customary international law, the conflict between legal stability and change, and the pursuit of the global common good. In addition, through a case study on the Japanese military 'comfort women' litigation, participants had a chance to analyze the characteristics of victim-centralism, the difference between the absolute sovereign immunity theory and the limited sovereign immunity theory, and the customary nature of the sovereign immunity theory.



## "Checking and Supplementing the Dominant Player: LDP-Komeito Relations under the Abe Administration" (4/2)

\_Suk-eu Son (Professor of Japanese Studies at Sejong University)

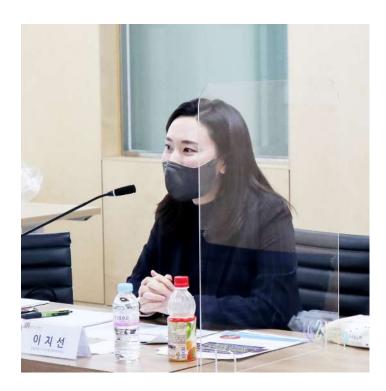


On April 2, 2021, the Institute for International Affairs (IIA) hosted its 15th Global Excellence Seminar. Professor Jiyeoun Song of political economy at Seoul National University moderated the seminar, and Professor Sukeu Son of the Japanese Literature Department at Sejong University presented under the theme "Checking and Supplementing the Dominant Player: LDP-Komeito Relations under the Abe Administration." The presentation discussed the birth of the Japanese Liberal Democratic Party and the Komeito Alliance, the policy differences between the two parties and their historical changes, and the impact of foliage on policymaking. In this seminar, participants discussed how Komeito, the abbreviation for the coalition, gained leverage over policy decisions against the strong Liberal Democrats and the strategies to leverage. Participants also analyzed the two parties' strategies and policy decisions on recent issues, focusing on the concepts of policy salience and issue ownership.

## "Conflict, Aid, and Peace: 'Corrective Justice' at the Nexus of Economic Sanctions and Foreign Aid" (4/9)

\_Jisun Yi (Professor at Center for International Development Cooperation at Kyung Hee University)

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted its 16<sup>th</sup> lobal Excellence Seminar. Professor Jisun Yi of the Center for International Development Cooperation at Kyung Hee University gave a presentation under the theme of 'Conflict, Aid, and Peace: 'Corrective Justice' at the Nexus of Economic Sanctions and Foreign Aid.' The presentation analyzed the change in the role of aid in international development cooperation, the dynamics of aid in conflict zones, the form of aid in the international community, and the attitude of recipient countries. In particular, there was a discussion on the problem of aid convertibility, in which development aid to conflict zones is used for defense-related expenses of the recipient country, and the effect of aid with corrective motives of the donor country to the UN economic sanctions target on the actual peaceful development of the recipient country has been deployed.



## "Friends in Need? "Socially Responsible" Banks during the Great Recession" (4/16)

\_Dong Beom Choi (Professor of Business School at Seoul National University)



On April 16, 2021, the '17<sup>th</sup> Global Excellence Seminar' hosted by the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) was held. The seminar was moderated by the Professor Ahn Jae-bin of Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies, and Professor Dong Beom Choi of Seoul National University Business School gave a presentation under the theme of "Friends in Need? "Socially Responsible" Banks during the Great Recession." During the presentation, professor Choi analyzed the concept of social responsibility in the company, the problem of its measurement, and the actual behavior of the company. Particularly, he discussed banks' lending activities in the United States in the framework of 'Corporate Social Responsibility after the 2007-2008 financial crisis.

## "When Money brings Peace: Cash-Based Aid and Civilian Support in Asymmetric Civil War" (4/30)

\_Hyun Jin Choi (Professor of the Department of Political Science and International Relations at Kyung Hee University)



On April 30, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted 18<sup>th</sup> Global Excellence Seminar. Jiyeon Song, professor at Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies, moderated the seminar, and Hyun Jin Choi, professor of the department of political science and international relations at Kyung Hee University, presented under the theme of "When Money Brings Peace: Cash-based Aid and Civil Support in Asymmetric Civil War." The presentation analyzed the role of international aid in civil war situations. Many studies have argued that international aid can help ease civil war or conflict by accelerating a country's economic development or silencing people's dissatisfaction. However, this study suggested the possibility that the civilian receiving aid could reduce the frequency of conflict by strengthening the military advantage of the government forces by providing information in favor of the government forces.

## "Magic Capitalism, Gamblers as Main Agents: The Rise of Bitcoin Fever and Popular Investment Culture." (5/7)

\_Seung Cheol Lee (Professor of the Department of Anthropology at Seoul National University)



On May 7, 2021, the 19th Global Excellence Seminar hosted by the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) was held. Professor Jeewan Park of Seoul National University's Graduate School of International Studies moderated the seminar, and Professor Seung Cheol Lee of the department of anthropology at Seoul National University presented under the theme of "Magic Capitalism, Gamblers as Main Agents: The Rise of Bitcoin Fever and Popular Investment Culture." In the presentation, the phenomenon of cryptocurrency investment was analyzed through a framework of "magic capitalism" and "gambler as main agents". Specifically, this study focused on the 2017-2018 Bitcoin investment fever in Korea, analyzing the self-reference of bitcoin value determination and investors' reflective response to this magical structure of the bitcoin market.

### "Economic Coercion and Regional Order in East Asia" (5/14)

\_Yukyung Yeo (Professor of International Studies at Kyung Hee University)

On May 14, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted 20<sup>th</sup> Global Excellence Seminar. Professor Jiyeon Song of Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies moderated the seminar, and Professor Yukyung Yeo of Kyung Hee University presented the topic of " Economic Coercion and Regional Order in East Asia." Taehee Yoon, professor of research at IIA, and other eight people attended, and many people attended online through Zoom. The presentation analyzed how China's economic coercion would change the order in East Asia. Unlike previous studies of economic coercion, which mainly focused on the context in which economic coercion is used or its strategic effects, this study analyzed the impact of economic coercion on local order. Specifically, the expected changes that economic coercion bring to East Asia's security alliance, free trade, and technology competition was discussed.



### "President Trump and Political Changes in US Political Parties: Focusing on the Republican Party." (5/21)

\_ Jongkon Lee (Professor of the Department of Political Science and International Studies at Ewha Womans University)



On May 21, 2021, the 21<sup>st</sup> Global Excellence Seminar hosted by the Seoul National University Institute of International Affairs (IIA) was held at the Global Strategy Room. Professor JeongHun Han of the Graduate School of International Studies at Seoul National University moderated the seminar, and Professor Jongkon Lee of the Department of Political Science and International Studies at Ewha Womans University presented under the theme of "President Trump and Political Changes in US Political Parties: Focusing on the Republican Party." The presentation analyzed the polarization of American politics, the emergence of partisan presidents, and factions within the Republican Party. In addition, the analysis was made on the Republican internal situation after Trump's resignation and discussions on the impact of Trump's election on factional politics within the Republican Party.

### "Estimation of Peer Effects in Production Adoption" (5/28)

\_ Minjung Park (Professor of the Department of Economics at Ewha Womans University)



On May 28, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted the 22<sup>nd</sup> Global Excellence Seminar. Jae Bin Ahn, professor at Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies, moderated the seminar, and Minjung Park, a professor of the department of economics at Ewha Womans University, presented under the theme of "Estimation of Peer Effects in Product Option." The presentation analyzed how to identify and estimate 'peer effect', which is known to have a significant impact on individual product selection. Specifically, in the presence of Homophily and sample attrition, how to estimate peer effects separately was being discussed.

### "Korea's Strategic Choice Direction in the US-China Competition." (6/11)

 Yingda Bi (Professor of the Department of International Politics and Economics at Shandong University)

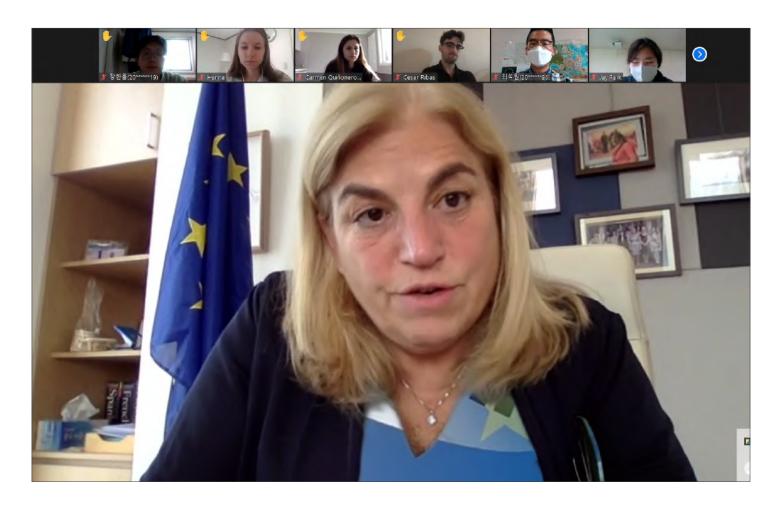


On June 11, 2021, the Institute of International Affairs (IIA) hosted the 23<sup>rd</sup> Global Excellence Seminar. Research professor Youn Ki of the Institute of International Affairs at Seoul National University moderated the Seminar, and Professor Yingda Bi of the department of International Politics and Economics at Shandong University presented the topic of "Korea's Strategic Choice Direction in the US-China Competition." The presentation analyzed the Biden administration's foreign strategy, China's policy, and Korea's strategic response. Under the changing international situation, this Seminar discussed the importance of Korea's balanced strategy and the need for global multilateral cooperation.

### **EU Centre Distinguished Lecture**

### "EU as a Global Actor" (4/15)

\_H.E Maria Castillo-Fernandez(Ambassador of the European Union to the Republic of Korea)



The EU Center (Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence) of SNU GSIS held its first online distinguished lecture of the semester on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2021. They invited H.E Maria Castillo-Fernandez, the ambassador of the European Union, to the Republic of Korea as a guest speaker in this lecture. Ambassador Castillo-Fernandez gave a lecture titled "EU as a Global Actor." The Seminar cov-

ered the current situation that the European Union is facing in international politics, European issues, and the challenges, problems and solutions that European Union should act as a global actor. Ambassador Castillo-Fernandez broadly shared her perspective, knowledge, and ideas with GSIS students about the European Union's future, Europe's role with Asia, and EU-Korea relations.

### "The European Parliamentary Elections 2019: The Rise and Failure of Lead-Candidate Process" (5/27)

\_Kolja Raube (Assistant Professor of European Studies at the Faculty of Social Science at KU Leuv)



The EU Center (Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence) of SNU GSIS held its first online distinguished lecture of the semester on the 27th of May, 2021. They invited Professor Kolja Raube, who is the Assistant Professor of European Studies at the Faculty of Social Science at KU Leuven as a guest speaker in this lecture. Professor Kolja Raube gave a lecture titled "The European Parliamentary Elections 2019: The Rise and Failure of

Lead-Candidate Process". The lecture covered the recent European Parliamentary election, which was held two years ago. Professor Raube has discussed the role of the Lead-Candidate Process as known as the Spitzenkandidaten process, its implications in the 2019 EP elections and the future of the European Parliament, its elections, and functions in the near future.

### **GSIS** Events

## Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies - Korea Forest Science Association signed a MOU (4/7)



On April 7, 2021, Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies (Dean: Tae Gyun Park) and the Korea Forest Science Association (Chairman: Jeong-ki Choi) signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on exchange and cooperation to successfully carry out cooperation programs for sustainable development of the world.

## Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies' 46th Commencement



On, 2021, the Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies held its 46th GSIS Commencement. Due to concerns of further outbreak of COVID-19 the offline ceremony was cancelled. Under

preventive measures, the administration office offered an academic gown rental service from the 17th of August to the 27th, for students graduating this semester. There were a total of 79 Masters in International Studies.

### Campus Asia

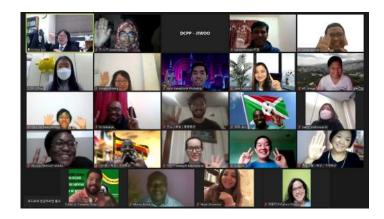
### Seoul Field Trip (04/23)



On April 23, 2021, CAMPUS Asia students went on a field trip to experience the Korean culture. Students visited Changdeokgung Palace and enjoyed the well-preserved and representative Korean palace architecture. Afterward, students had Yukhoebibimbap, which is traditional Korean food, in Korean traditional house 'Hanok.' Last but not least, students walked around Bukchon Hanok Village, a traditional Korean village in Seoul with a long history located on the top of a hill between Gyeongbok Palace, Changdeok Palace. Through this one-day Seoul Trip, CAMPUS Asia students were able to experience Korean culture and learned more about Korean history.

#### **DCPP**

### [13th batch] January Online Program Director Meeting (1/21)



On January 21, 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group had their online Program Director Meeting for January via ZOOM. The DCPP Office introduced the upcoming schedule for February and informed about the needed procedure for the student's thesis proposal. The DCPP Office also delivered important information such as the COVID-19 test, self-quarantine, and more regarding the students' entry into Korea in February.

### [13th batch] Course Registration Orientation (1/25)

On January 25, 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group had their online Course Registration Orientation via ZOOM. The DCPP Office explained the course registration procedure and the required courses for Spring 2021.

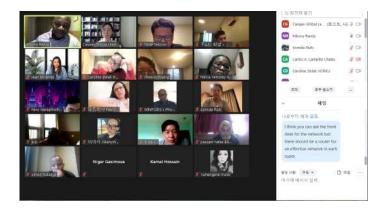


### [13th batch] February Online Program Director Meeting (2/23)



On February 23, 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group had their online Program Director Meeting for December via Zoom. The Information for moving into the SNU Dormitories, procedures for applying for the Alien Registration Card, and Student ID card were provided. The session closed with a Q&A session where questions and concerns raised by many students were shared and answered.

### [13th batch] Online Field Trip by Canaan Global Leadership Centre (2/27-28)



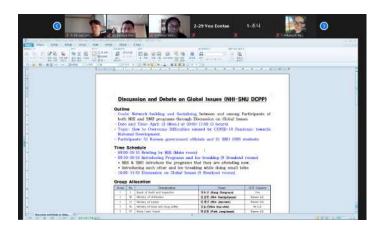
On the 27th and 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2021, the 13th DCPP enrollment group had the opportunity to have an online field trip with the Canaan Global Leadership Centre. The students had an overview of the introduction to the Canaan Global Leadership Centre, History of Korean rural development, what gender equality is, analysis of inequality, case study videos on gender inequality from Africa and Asia, necessary action for gender inequality, and prior action in gender equality.

### [13th batch] Online Field Trip by NHI (2/22, 2/23, 3/4, 3/11)

Students from the 13th DCPP enrollment group have participated in a short-term training program provided by the National Human Resources Development Institute (NHI).

On the 22nd of February and 23rd of February 2021, students took sessions on topics of "Socializing" and "TED Talks 5-1". The first session was a practical English session where the instructor taught several tips on introducing themselves in a good way in English and socializing with other Korean government officials who would pursue education abroad as a part of networking. The second session was TED talks. This session was meant to stimulate situations that the Korean public officials would face in their overseas classrooms.

On the 4th of March 2021 and the 11st of March 2021, another group of students took sessions on topics of "TED Talks 5-4" and "TED Talks 5-5". The first session was to practice English speaking skills as well as learn how to pronounce words properly, what words are



appropriate when speaking to native English speakers and how to interact, among others. The second session discussed how China is and is not fighting pollution and climate change. All participants were given an opportunity to express his/her views freely without any form of intimidation. Participants were also able to watch some role-plays on Korean culture.

In addition to these sessions, a special lecture was also held optionally for those wanting to participate on the 12th of March 2021.

### [13th batch] Campus Tour (3/5, 3/12, 4/7, 4/19)



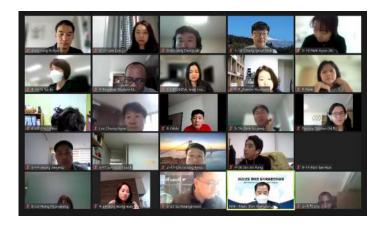
On the 5<sup>th</sup> of March, 12th of March, 7<sup>th</sup> of April, and 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group had a GSIS and SNU campus tour. They walked around GSIS and were introduced to the classrooms, various facilities, and convention halls. They toured the Seoul National University campus, given information on the cafeterias and diverse facilities.

### 52<sup>nd</sup> International Development Policy Seminar (4/9)

The 52<sup>nd</sup> International Development Policy Seminar was held via ZOOM on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 2021. Professor Hyo-Je Cho gave a lecture on "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Its Gendered Ramification." The seminar analyzed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) with its impact on women and explaining ongoing issues of crime against women. Students were able to discuss their opinions and ask questions throughout the seminar.



### [13th batch] NHI Short-Term Training Program (4/12-13)



On the 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> of April 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group was participated in a short-term training program by the National Human Resources Development Institute (NHI).

Students took a session on the topic "Discussion & Debate on Global Issues: How to overcome difficulties caused by COVID-19," along with 53 Korean public officials. The first session was conducted as an ice-breaking session, sharing small talks in divided groups. The second session focused on sharing ideas on how to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic as a global issue, focusing on various aspects such as economic, education, social impacts. The DCPP students were able to participate, form a network with Korean public officials, and discuss various topics.

### [13th batch] Teacher Appreciation Day (5/15)

In commemorating 'Teacher Appreciation Day' in Korea, all of our 13<sup>th</sup> batch DCPP students showed our appreciation to our program director, Professor Eun Ki-Soo.



### 53rd International Development Policy Seminar (6/11)



Executive Director Korean Women's Movement for Peace

The 53<sup>rd</sup> International Development Policy Seminar was held via ZOOM on June 11, 2021. The Research Professor Youngmi Cho gave a lecture on "Gender and Peace Movement." The seminar analyzed the role of Korea Peace Now! Women Mobilizing to End the War, which is a global coalition of women's peace organizations calling on the United States, North Korea, South Korea, and China to end the Korean War. Students had an opportunity to understand the impact of the Sunshine policy on the Korean peninsula. During the Q&A session, students asked questions about the current situation between North and South Korea.

### [13th Batch] End of the Spring Semester Meeting (6/21)

The end of the Spring Semester Meeting was held on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2021. The 13<sup>th</sup> DCPP enrollment group and the Dean of GSIS Professor Tae Gyun Park, Advisory Professor Ki-Soo Eun, and the DCPP office staff members. Students were reminded of the Summer schedule, including short-term internship, industrial visit, action plan, and in-person director meeting.



### **People**

### Kipoom Jeong\_President of the Student Council



#### 1. Brief introduction of yourself.

My name is Kipoom Jeong. I major in International Cooperation and I just finished my second term at SNU GSIS and my tenure as the Student President has finished with the term. I like growing plants (though I'm not that good at it) and cooking (which I'm better at than keeping the plants alive).

#### 2. Why were you interested in becoming a student council member?

I started studying in GSIS after the pandemic broke out, knowing that all classes would be held online. Thankfully, even though there were not many offline university events because of Covid, I was still able to make friends. I realised that students want to feel a stronger sense of belonging, especially in these times. I thought it would be an honour if I could serve others as Student President and help us all feel connected.

#### 3. How was life as a student council member?

I didn't expect it to be easy from the first place. Balancing my life as a student and as the President was particularly hard. And I'm still not sure if I balanced it well. One thing, however, I can say for sure is that it was meaningful. I have always wanted to help others; being a Student President was a perfect opportunity for that. Even if it wasn't a big thing, I found it meaningful that I could answer small questions students had.

### 4. How have you dealt with the COVID-19 as the student council president?

At the beginning of the semester, Covid-19 seemed to be relatively under control. So we decided to have set Opening Hours for the SC Room so that students could visit whenever they wanted to. In the middle of the term, the virus once again got worse and I had to ask students to not come to the university building. However, because students were waiting for the merchandise distribution, we decided to make a reservation system that students can book a time slot in advance. Through this system, students were able to pick up merchandise while reducing the possibility of spreading the virus by smaller risks of bumping into other students. Even though it was extra work for the Student Council members, we could still serve students during the pandemic in creative ways.

### 5. What do you believe was your proudest achievement as student council president?

We were able to hold various online events. In addition to continuing the events, such as Alumni Night, PhD Night, and African Roundtables, held during the former Student Council's tenure, we also established Language Exchange programme. Because students were in small groups based on the language they were interested in, they could meet in person or online. More than the actual language learning, I heard from participants that it was helpful for making friends and strengthening the sense of belonging as students of SNU GSIS.

I am also proud that the Student Council could hold an academic event with a prominent British scholar Dr Paul Mills. It seemed like the Student Council has been concentrating more on events that promote friendship within GSIS rather than academic events in the past. I thought we could organise an academic conference on a topic that students are interested in but which is rarely discussed in English-language conferences. We also opened the event to the other Korean GSISs. It was a good opportunity especially because we didn't have very much inter-GSIS events due to the pandemic.

Lastly, as representatives of the students, we showed our gratitude to the professors at the Teacher's Day. Although we couldn't meet all professors in person to give carnations, we left flowers on door handles of the professors' offices. I heard later that some professors who don't come to the university regularly came to campus just to pick up the flowers and that they were very touched by the gesture.

#### 6. To our GSIS students!

This term has passed especially quickly for me and I believe that everyone has had a busy semester. Enjoy your summer holidays and I hope to see you more in person next term!

Especially, it was an honour for me to work with the team. Thank you for your hard work and good luck for all your future plans!

### Fuminosuke Tajima\_CAMPUS Asia Student



#### 1. Brief introduction of yourself.

I'm Fuminosuke TAJIMA from the University of Tokyo. In my undergrad years, I studied the Japanese Socialist Party, and currently, my interest is in the relationship between Southeast Asian countries and Japan. Until late 2019, I worked for a major newspaper company in Japan as a part-time jobber. Although I was not attracted to the newspaper industry so much, reading economic articles is my most immense joy. Also, I love to spend my free and sometimes not free time reading books.

#### 2. Why did you apply for Campus Asia?

I had spent all of my life in Japan, but I had always hoped to learn the dynamics of international relations in East Asia firsthand. When I researched the Japanese Socialists in the 1980s, I found that these political activists who could not take the reins of the Japanese government had a complex and sometimes contradicting perspective on the Korean peninsula and China. Through writing a paper about this political movement, I become more interested in the relationship between post-war Japan and other Asian countries. Japan, Korea, and China have many political, historical, and economic problems. Therefore, I thought it would be an exceptional experience to spend time in neighboring countries and see the possibilities of improvement.

Studying abroad was a new challenge for me. In my undergrad years, I was too shy to apply for exchange programs. However, when I first found the Campus Asia program, I was so attracted to the idea of studying abroad while getting enormous support from school authorities (including cultural exchanges, heart-to-heart communication, and a scholarship).

### 3. How has the Campus Asia program prepared you academically and/ or professionally for your future?

When I first attended a lecture at Peking University (online, though), mounting reading requirements overwhelmed me. In Japan, it's rare for students to read tremendous amounts of texts before classes. I was not a big fan of homework, but reading many high-quality works of literature deeply, I could know many political frameworks and various perspectives.

In lectures in Beijing and Seoul, students were also required to write short essays that compile several arguments and evaluate these diverse views. Reading mountains of materials and writing valuable response papers every week were challenging tasks, but this kind of skill would be helpful after getting a job.

Also, acquiring high-level communication skills was an irreplaceable experience.

I'm used to a very shy guy, which you can find at the corner of your classroom; I was not good at mingling with unknown people. However, Campus Asia provided many occasions for me to meet with people from other countries, not only China and Korea, and it improved my conversation skill.

# 4. Do you have any advice or tips for the students who are interested in applying to Campus Asia?

For many of those who have never studied abroad, the requirements for the Campus Asia program are challenging. You have to get a high TOEFL score that is very demanding and pass an English interview. I thought that I'm not bad at learning, but I had to take TOEFL tests four times and interviews twice before admitted. If you have no experience in living in other countries, I highly recommend you to study English long before the deadline, not only by reading textbooks but also by nurturing your speaking ability through talking with international students.

Also, even if you are admitted, you might face difficult situations. I had planned to stay in Beijing from February 2020, but my flight was canceled due to the Covid pandemic. Online courses gave me plenty of free time, though I could not utilize the time efficiently. Honestly, I spent most of the time doing part-time jobs and could not motivate myself to study the Chinese language. This kind of natural emergencies may increase, they never decrease in the near future. All students can face similar situations, but Campus Asia students, who want to study abroad, are especially susceptible; it's better to have a Plan B. It's essential for you to expect challenging situations and to consider how to overcome these difficulties beforehand.

### 5. What is your favorite memory of SNU GSIS?

I enjoyed meeting with people from various countries in GSIS. I could not attend face-to-face classes in the GSIS building, but I had many opportunities to exchange opinions online and offline.

However, the most precious experience in GSIS so far was the offline meeting of Campus Asia students in Seoul. At the first meeting, we had the chance to talk with professor Shin and Mr. Kim Byung-Jin. Also, Campus Asia participants met offline several times and enjoyed exchanging opinions and experiences. We are diverse and different in ages or backgrounds, and these differences made it more interesting to engage in conversations between students.

Unfortunately, the pandemic hampered Campus Asia activities, and there are not so many occasions to meet up. Also, I could not attend all events. That said, these meetings reminded me of the importance of this trilateral cooperation framework and the value of sincere cultural exchanges.

# Johnny Mejía Burbano\_DCPP



### 1. Brief introduction of yourself.

My name is Johnny Mejía Burbano, Ecuadorian and currently a student at the Graduate School of International Studies in the Seoul National University. I am a Foreign Trade and International Relations professional with working experience in international cooperation, scientific and technological development, and public-private partnerships from both public and private sectors. I have some volunteering experience, especially for AIESEC which is the world's largest youth-run organization and links students to business. I have had large participation as team leader, facilitator, and organizer of several events.

### 2. How is life in Korea?

Cool, even during the pandemic and when you are not studying you can have a great time in Seoul. Since some of my hobbies are photographing, reading, and climbing mountains. Korea and Seoul specifically are perfect for it. Near the university campus, there is the Gwanak mountain, which I have climbed a couple of times, and several other mountains are surrounding the city that contributes to conserving nature in Korea. Also, as a strategy to learn more about a culture, I love to read books from local authors and I am impressed by authors like Shin Kyung-sook, Han Kang, and Cho Nam-Joo. Finally, the city is known for being instagrammable, and sharing pictures of it and my own experiences could help my acquittances understand more from the Korean society.

### 3. Why did you apply for DCPP?

I first heard about Korean universities from a Korean ex-coworker. She was living in Ecuador for almost two years as part of a cooperation project between KOICA, a Korean University, and an Ecuadorian counterpart. So, when the KOICA Scholarship Program opened, I looked for information and realized that it is a competitive program in terms of the benefits that it provides to the grantees covering airplane tickets, settlement, university tuition, and all living expenses while in Korea for the minimum period required to complete the program. That and also finding that the SNU's Graduate School of International Studies is part of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA), where there are all the best International Relations schools, made me decide to apply to the Development Cooperation Policy Program.

# 4. How has the DCPP program helped you academically or professionally for the future?

The environment of the Graduate School of International Studies has helped me both academically and professionally for my future. All my professors have been Koreans with a high level of research and academic preparation while my colleagues of the DCPP come specially from Africa, Southeast Asia, Eastern Europe, and Latin America, creating an amazing multicultural environment that is not only focused on developed countries. All of them have contributed to understanding the world from different perspectives as I used to before starting my master's studies. The whole environment promoted by the GSIS is very dynamic: I have joined some regional roundtables where people from very different backgrounds share thoughts about the different region's cultures and politics.

# 5. Do you have any advice or tips for the students who are interested in applying to DCPP?

Read every detail regarding the course structure, the program, the school, and the scholarship considering your academic and career goals and if you have any questions about that do not doubt to contact the DCPP staff. During my application process, they and my local KOICA office have guided me to successfully apply, however, write in advance your motivation letter and collect your recommendation letters since they are going to be decisive during the selection process. If you are selected in the program, remember that since you are going to reside in South Korea you will have to take good notes during your Korean language course, it will help you to be self-sufficient and overcome the language barrier.

# **Student Council**



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# **Informal Online Orientation**

In January 2021, the Student Council held an online orientation to explain course registration, requirements for graduation, and overall university life at SNU GSIS. Students were sent to each major breakout room, and major representatives and vice representatives answered individual questions.

# Welcome Package

In March 2021, we started distributing welcome packages containing postcards, a booklet, a flask, a pen, and a SNU eco bag.

### Merchandise

In the same month, we started receiving orders for exclusive SNU merchandise. We had baseball jackets, jumpers, t-shirts, and sweatpants available. As the Covid-19 situation worsened, we had to make time slots for students to reserve to come to pick up the merchandise they ordered. We were able to keep students safe while they collected their products.

# Ph.D. MA Night

We invited Kent Kamasumba from our Ph.D. students as a speaker for the Ph.D. MA Night in March 2021. This event was held online due to the increased confirmed cases of Covid-19. Kent discussed his interests and experiences at SNU, and MA students could freely ask questions and talk about their thesis ideas.

# **Major Nights**

The Student Council also held Major Nights in March 2021. Students could spend a fun and relaxing time making new friends and getting to know more about GSIS with other students taking the same major.

# Alumni Night

We had an Alumni Night in April 2021 with Shin BeoDul, who currently works in a blockchain department at SKT. She gave a speech about her life and interests when she was a student at SNU GSIS and talked about her work life. She also answered students' questions related to a career after graduation.

# Thesis Workshop

The Council also organized Thesis Workshops for each major in April 2021. Representatives contacted professors and prepared and led the event. This event helped students to understand how and when to prepare for writing a thesis.

## African Roundtable

The African Roundtable has held online this term in May 2021. Student Council members prepared short videos about Africa and led a debate among students via Zoom.

# Language Exchange

The Student Council linked students interested in learning languages and helped students teach each other based on their demands. This program was run throughout the whole semester.

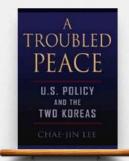
# **Economics Conference**

Paul Mills, a British economist serving on the board of Relational Peacebuilding Initiatives (RPI), gave a speech at the economics conference held online in May 2021. He explained the creative ideas RPI has for the unification of the two Koreas. This event was open to all GSIS students in Seoul, not only to SNU students. This was a good opportunity to foster exchanges among the GSISs, especially since it is a time of Covid-19 when it is difficult to have any inter-GSIS events.

### **Final Snacks**

In June 2021, the Student Council prepared snacks to cheer students on for the final exams. We prepared sweets, chocolates, and energy drinks for students to pick up. Once again, students had to book a time slot to visit the Student Council Room to bring the snacks to be cautious about any kind of human interaction and the spread of the virus.

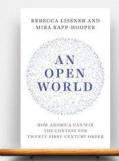
# **New Arrivals**

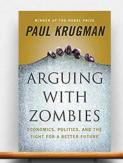


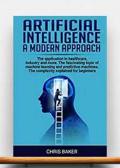




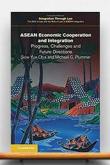






















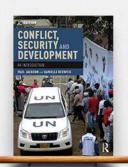


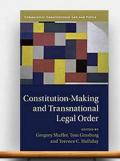


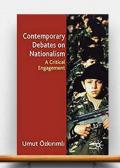






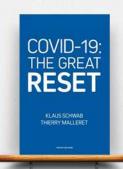


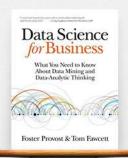


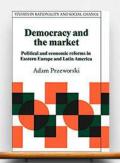


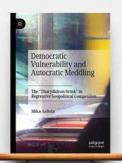


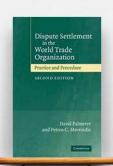








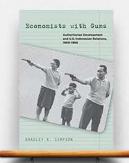








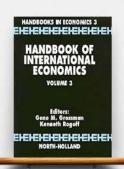






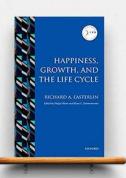


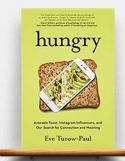






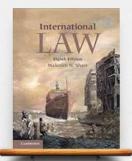




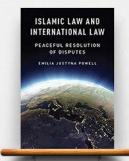








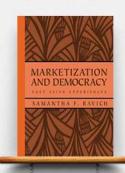






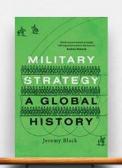










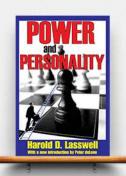








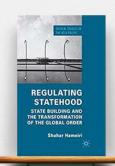


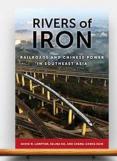










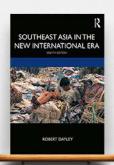






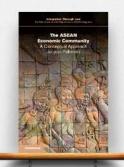




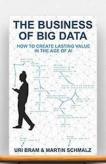


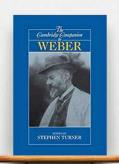




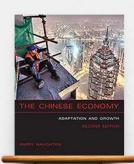


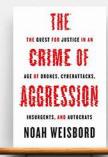






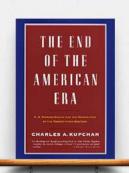






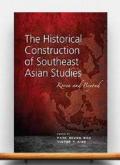


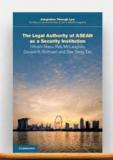










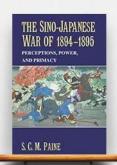


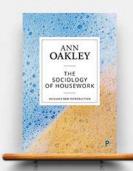


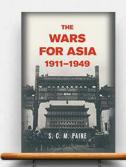


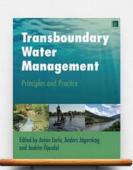


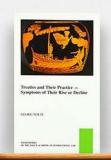




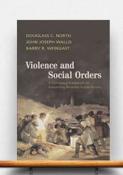


















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