Korea and the Middle East: Conflict and Mediation

The Center for Applied Negotiations at the Institute for National Security Studies (INSS) is honored to Host a Delegation from the Korea Institute for National Unification (KINU)

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Agenda

14:00 – 14:15: Reception and greetings by INSS management, introductions - TBD
14:15 – 14:30: A round of introductions or participants
14:30 – 15:00: Presenting KINU rational and research interests – Bo Hyug Suh
15:00 – 16:00: The state of reunification of Korea: Reality and prospects – Woo Young Lee
16:00 – 16:15: Coffee Break
16:15 – 16:45: The Negotiated Path - 70 years of Agreements (with exhibition) – David Gordon
16:45 – 17:00: Jordan-Israel case Study Ambassador Einat Shlein
17:00 – 17:45: Discussion
17:45 – 18:00: Summary and farewell

KINU Delegation:

1. Dr. Bo Hyug Suh, Director of Humanitarianism and Cooperation Research Division at the KINU.
2. Dr. Sukhoon Hong, Research Fellow at the KINU
3. Dr. Yong Woo Na, Research Fellow of Humanitarianism and Cooperation Research Division at the KINU
4. Dr. Juri Kim, Research Fellow at KINU
5. Dr. Woo Young Lee, Professor at University of North Korean Studies.

INSS Delegation

1. INSS management
2. David Gordon, Research Fellow at the Center of Applied Negotiations, INSS
3. Mor Ben Kalifa, Research Assistant and Coordinator, the Center of Applied Negotiations, INSS
4. Ambassador Einat Shlein – formal Israeli ambassador to the Kingdom of Jordan
5. Additional participants (INSS researchers and guests, to be determined shortly)
Biographies:

Bo Hyug Suh

Bo Hyug Suh is Director of Humanitarianism and Cooperation Research Division at the Korea Institute for National Unification (KINU). Dr. Suh was research professor at the Institute for Peace and Unification Studies (IPUS) of Seoul National University, and an expert adviser on the North Korean human rights at the National Human Rights Commission of Korea (NHRCK). Dr. Suh majors in political science, especially in the peace and human rights issue in the context of protracted conflict. He has been advising governmental and non-governmental organizations on South Korea’s North Korea policy. His recent writings include Peace Studies from Korean Perspectives (Korean, 2019), Korean Peace Thoughts (Coedited, Korean, 2018), North Korean Human Rights: Crafting a More Effective Framework (2016), Division Violence (Coedited, Korean, 2016), Asia-Pacific between Conflict and Reconciliation (Co-authorship, 2016), and “Resolving Korean Conflict through the Combination of Human Rights and Human Security” (2016).

Sukhoon Hong

Sukhoon Hong is a Research Fellow at the Korea Institute for National Unification. He received his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Georgia. At the University of Georgia, he taught courses on International Relations, East Asian Political System, and Global Politics. He is in charge of an adjunct professor for Political Science & Diplomacy at Sungkyunkwan University. In terms of his research interests, he is keenly interested in the US-North Korea relations and North Korean foreign policy as well as the Asian “peace regime.” Hong’s existing work in this area has been published in KINU’s policy reports, International Area Studies Review, the Korean Journal of International Studies, National Security and Strategy, the Journal of Peace Studies, and in various book chapters. Recently, he authored “North Korea’s Transition of Its Economic Development Strategy: Its Significance and the Political Environment surrounding the Korean Peninsula” in the Korean Journal of Defense Analysis, December of 2018.

Yong Woo Na

Yong Woo Na is Research Fellow of Humanitarianism and Cooperation Research Division at the Korea Institute for National Unification (KINU). Dr. Na was a senior researcher at the Center for Good Democracy of Sungkyunkwan University, and a visiting researcher at Center for Peace and Security Studies of Georgetown University. Dr. Na majors in political science, especially in international relations and energy politics. Recently he has been focusing on the exchange and cooperation between South Korea and North Korea. His recent writings include Peace and International Politics of the Korean Peninsula (Co-edited, Korean, 2018), New ‘Local Governance’ for Peace and Prosperity of Korean Peninsula: Focusing on the Roles of Local Governments of Exchange and Cooperation between South and North Korea (Co-authorship, 2018), The External Opening Policy in Kim Jong-un’s Era and Inter-Korean Cooperation: A Search for New Model of Economic Cooperation through North Korea’s Economic Development Zones Strategy (Co-authorship, 2017), The Hyper-connected Hybrid Era and Cybersecurity: A Securitization of Cyber Space and Proposals for Cybersecurity in Korea (Korean, 2017), The Acceleration of North Korea’s Nuclear Capability and the Searching for South Korea’s New Policy toward North Korea (Co-authorship, 2017).
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Juri Kim is a Research Fellow at Korea Institute for National Unification (KINU) in Seoul, South Korea. She received her B.A. and M.A. in Political Science at Ewha Woman’s University in Seoul, and completed her Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of South Carolina in USA. Dr. Kim was a research professor at Yonsei University in Seoul, a research fellow at Ewha Woman’s University, and instructor at various universities in South Korea. Her research and teaching interests encompass armed conflict, international security, military, armaments and disarmament, and Middle Eastern politics. She is currently researching on national security and defense policies of states in conflict zones, and the influence of US nuclear policy on international and regional security. Her most recent articles are “The Issue of Credibility in Deterrence and Implications of the Israeli Experience for South Korea,” (Social Science Studies, 2018); and UN and the History of North East Asia: Complexity of Regional Order and the Role of the UN (Co-authored, 2017).

Woo Young Lee

Woo Young Lee is Professor of University of North Korean Studies (UNKS), Director of The Institute for the Study of North Korean Daily Life, and Director of The Center for Integration of Korean Minds. Professor Lee received his Ph.D from Younsei University. Professor Lee’s major is sociology and has been studying the society and culture of North Korea. Recently, he has been focusing on social and cultural exchanges between North and South Korea and integration of social and cultural culture between North and South Korea. Professor Lee was Research Fellow in Korean Inttitute for National Unification(KINU). Professor Lee advises government ministries on North Korea and unification issues, and participates in various NGO activities. His recent writings include Economy and Society in the (Kim Jong Eun Era): A New Relationship between the State and the Market (co-authored, 2014), North Korea's System and Policy: Changing and Continuing in Kim Jong Eun (co-authored, 2014), Segmentation of mind: the contact zone between North and South (co-authored, 2016), A map of the divided heart (co-author, 2017), Branches of Han (Chosun) Peninsula Concept: Literary Art (coauthored, 2018).