June 29-30, 2016
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SECURITY CHALLENGES ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA IN 2016:
ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES

June 29, 2016, Wednesday

08:15 AM Registration
08:45 – 09:15 AM Opening Remarks

Speakers
General Jae-Chang Kim, ROKA (Retired), Co-Chairman
General John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA (Retired), Co-Chairman
Dr. Jinwook Choi, President
Korean Institute for National Unification
Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President
International Council of Korean Studies and Angelo State University
Professor David S. Maxwell, Associate Director,
Center for Security Studies, Georgetown University

09:15 – 11:15 AM Panel I. Four Power Relations on the Korean Peninsula

Moderator Dr. Seo-Hang Lee, Korea Institute for Maritime Strategy

Papers
"Japan’s Role in Korean Security Issues"
Mr. James F. Durand, International Council on Korean Studies

"Will China Allow North Korea to Collapse?"
Mr. Gordon Chang, Nuclear Showdown
"Strength and Consistency: A Key to North Korean Nuke Sanction"
Dr. Taewoo Kim, Konyang University

Discussants
Dr. Andrew Scobell, Senior Fellow, RAND Corporation Washington
Dr. Ki-Young Sung, Korea Institute for National Unification
Dr. Daesung Song, Kunkuk University

11:30 AM – 12:45 PM Luncheon and Luncheon Speech

Speaker
“Security and Unification Issues on the Korean Peninsula”
General Chun In-bum, the Republic of Korean Army

Introducer
General John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA (Retired), Co-Chairman

1:00 – 3:00 PM Panel II: The Political Economy of the Two Koreas

Moderator
Mr. Robert M. Collins, U.S. Committee for Human Rights for North Korea

Papers
Mr. Bradley Babson, US-Korea Institute

“U.S.-Korea Economic Relations and the Next U.S. Administration?”
Mr. Troy Stangarone, Korea Economic Institute of America

“North Korea and Economic Security”
Dr. Sang Sin Lee, Korea Institute for National Unification

Discussants
Dr. Tara O, Pacific Forum CSIS
Dr. Soon Paik, Washington University of Virginia and ICKS
Dr. Namsung Huh, Council on Korea-US Security Studies

3:00 – 5:00 PM Panel III: The US-Korea Security Alliance

Moderator
General John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA (Retired), Co-Chairman

Papers
"North Korea’s Fourth Nuclear Test and the U.S.-ROK Alliance"
Mr. Yonho Kim, US-Korea Institute, Johns Hopkins University

"The ROK-US Alliance and Third Offset Strategy"
Dr. Patrick M. Cronin and Mr. Seongwon Lee
The Center for New American Security

"North Korea’s nuclear Threats and Counter-Strategies?"
Dr. Samman Chung, Korea Institute for Maritime Strategy
Discussant    Mr. Mark Tokola, Korea Economic Institute of America  
Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol Jr., Angelo State University  
Dr. Ilhwa Jung, Council on Korea-US Security Studies

6:30 – 8:00 PM    Dinner and Dinner Speech

Speaker    "The Future of the ROK-US Alliance"  
Bruce Klingner, Heritage Foundation

Introducer    General Jae-Chang Kim, ROKA (Retired), Co-Chairman  

June 30, 2016, Thursday

9:30 – 11:30 AM    Panel IV: Korean Unification and Human Rights

Moderator    Lieutenant General Raymond P. Ayres Jr., USMC (Retired)  

Papers    "Romanian Reflections on Korean Unification"  
Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Exec. Director, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

Dr. Jai P. Ryu, President, One Korea Foundation

“ROK’s Wishful Thinking of Peaceful Reunification”  
Dr. Ryang Kang, Korea Institute for National Security Studies

Discussants    David Maxwell, Ass. Director, Center for Security Studies, Georgetown Univ.  
Dr. Hugo Kim, Washington University of Virginia and ICKS  
Dr. Jae-Kap Ryoo, Council on Korea-US Security Studies

11:45 – 12:00 PM    Closing Remarks

Speakers    General Jae-Chang Kim, ROKA (Retired), Co-Chairman  

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12:00 PM    End of the Conference

Bradley O. Babson is a consultant on Asian affairs with a present concentration on North Korea. He worked for the World Bank for 26 years before retiring in 2000. Most of his World Bank career was spent working on East Asia and Southeast Asia, where he led a regional office based in Bangkok and opened the resident office in Hanoi Vietnam in the early 1990’s. Since 2000 he has consulted for the World Bank and United Nations and been involved in projects sponsored by various institutes, foundations and universities. He presently is Chair of the DPRK Economic Forum at the U.S.-Korea Institute, John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and serves on the Advisory Council of the Korea Economic Institute of America and Steering Committee of the National Committee for North Korea. He has written widely on the North Korean economy, most recently as a contributor to 38 North. In Maine, he is President of the Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust. Mr. Babson received his BA degree from Williams College in 1972, and MPA degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of International and Public Affairs at Princeton University in 1974. He lives in Brunswick, Maine.

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James F. Durant is interested in security issues, Korean military history, and Korea-Japan relations. A career Marine, specializing in intelligence and cryptology, he completed five assignments in Korea and Japan. Jim’s military education includes graduating from the Republic of Korea Naval War College and Japan’s National Institute for Defense Studies. Following the Marine Corps, he worked at Morgan Stanley Japan Securities, where he was responsible for enhanced Due Diligence focusing on identifying entities linked to Japanese organized crime and North Korea. Jim has published papers in English, Korean, and Japanese language journals. He has written extensively on the ROK Marine Corps, tracing the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, USA. Jim earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy and a M.A. in National Security Studies from Georgetown University. He is married to Leslie, a former U.S. Navy officer who served with U.S. Forces Korea and the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission. They have two sons and a daughter adopted from Korea.


Sungpyo Hong is professor in Department of Netork-Centric Warfare Studies in Ajou University, Suwon, Korea. He teaches defense policy, military strategy and future war. He was graduated from Air Force Academy in 1980 and got PhD degree in international politics in Hull University in the United Kingdom. He served as pilot, doctrine developer and policy planner in the ROK Air Force, Joint Chief of Staff and the Ministry of National Defense. He also served as professor at National Defense University, and retired as Colonel in December 2011. Dr Hong published tens of books including ‘Emerging Threats, Force Structures, and the Role of Airpower in Korea (co-works), (RAND, 2000)’ and ‘Atlas of Air War History.’ He wrote tens of articles on National Security, Defense Policy, Military Strategy, and ROK-US Alliance.

Nam-Sung Huh is Professor Emeritus of Military History at the Korea National Defense University, and the Director of the Korea Institute for Crisis Management Analysis. He is the President of the Korean Association of Military History. He is retired Colonel of the ROK Army. He received his BS from the Korea Military Academy, BA in Sociology from the Seoul National University, and MA & Ph.D. in Military History from the Ohio State University. Dr. Huh served as a faculty member of the Korea Military Academy (1974-1983), and the Korea National Defense University (1983-2007). During this period, he served as a staff member at the Blue House (1988-1992). He also served as a member of the numerous government advisory committees, such as Ministry of National Defense, Min. of...
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Il Hwa Jung: Dr. Chung, a board member of the COCUSS, worked as a career journalist for 30 years covering various places and subjects including the Hankook Ilbo-Korea Times correspondent to Washington. He covered White House, State Department and DOD in late 1990s. After serving as an editorial writer he began teaching International Relations at universities. Currently he teach at Baeksuk University and Chungnam National University. He studied Political Science and International Relations at Seoul National University and University of Southern California.

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Byung-kwan Kim is currently the Chairman of Institute for National Security Strategy (INSS). With a mission to realize peaceful unification in the Korean Peninsula, Chairman Kim has been devoted to the works of effective inter-Korean relationship, security strategies, ROK-US relations. He graduated from the Republic of Korea Military Academy and also earned his B.A. in History from Seoul National University. He previously served as Commanding General of Infantry Division, Corps, and Field Army. Prior to assuming the position of Chairman of the INSS, he was a deputy commander of the ROK-US combined forces command, a commander of ROK-US ground component command. He has periodically been asked to take advisory roles at the highest level of military decision-makings in the Korean government. He has edited, co-authored, and authored several books on operational art and military history. He is also a board member of the Council on Korea-US Security Studies.

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Soon Paik was a Senior Economist of the U.S. Department of Labor-Bureau of Labor Statistics. He taught economics, econometrics, statistics, and management at the University of District of Columbia as an Associate Professor. He worked as a project developer of the Construction Labor Demand System in the Tennessee Valley Authority, Knoxville, Tennessee, and as an Associate Director of the Construction Resources Analysis and a Research Professor of the University of Tennessee. He serves as a Senior Economic Consultant of the United Nations Development Programme for the Taebaek Iron Development Project in the Republic of Korea. He graduated from the Law College of the Seoul National University (LLD), and obtained M.A. degrees in economics from the Korea University and from the Ohio University and a Ph.D. in economics from the West Virginia University. His major interests are in the international economics, South and North Korean economies, economic issues of the Korean unification, resources and labor economics, economic model-building, statistical analysis, etc. He published numerous professional articles in the various academic journals, and led many seminars and paper presentations in the professional societies including American Economic Association, American Statistical Association, and others, on the subjects concerning international economics, South and North Korean economies, energy economics, construction economics, international labor economics, and other related topics. He has been working as an economic columnist of the Chosun Ilbo Washington and of the KNN radio. He served as a Vice President of the Korean American Economic Association and as a President of the Korean Economic Society in Washington, D.C. His civic activities included a President of the Knoxville Korean Association, a President of the Seoul National University Alumni Association in Washington, D.C.

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