

## The Changing Situation on the Korean Peninsula: Challenges for New Presidents in 2017



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**THE CHANGING SITUATION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA:  
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08:00 AM

Registration

**08:45 - 09:00 AM**

**Opening Remarks**

Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President  
International Council of Korean Studies and Angelo State University  
Honorable Donald Manzullo, President  
Korea Economic Institute of America  
Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director  
Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

**09:00 - 11:45 AM**

**Panel I: Human Rights in North Korea**

Moderator

Mr. Christopher J. Griffin  
Executive Director, Foreign Policy Initiative

Papers

"The North Korean Gulag Humanitarian Crisis: A Military Perspective"  
Mr. Robert Collins, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

"U.S. Policy on North Korean Human Rights: The Way Forward"  
Ms. Roberta Cohen, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

"Overseas North Korean Laborers"  
Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea

Discussants

Dr. Steve Noerper, Korea Society and Columbia University  
Mr. David Chulwoo Lee, Korean-American Public Affairs Committee  
Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol Jr., Angelo State University

**12:00 - 1:45 PM**

**Luncheon and Luncheon Speech**

Sponsored by the Korea Economic Institute of America  
"Topic to be announced"  
General John H. Tilelli, Jr., USA (Retired), Co-Chairman  
Council on U.S.-Korean Security Studies (U.S. Council)  
Introduced by Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol Jr.

**2:00 - 3:45 PM**

**Panel II: Prospects for Korea's Economy**

Moderator

Dr. Anthony Bartl, Angelo State University  
Angelo State University

Papers

"Population Prospects for the ROK to 2040: Impending Changes and Their Implications"  
Dr. Nicholas Eberstadt, American Enterprise Institute

"THAAD and Economic Relations with China"  
Mr. Troy Stangarone, Korea Economic Institute of America

"Trans-Pacific Partnership: Any Future?"  
Mr. Kyle Ferrier, Korea Economic Institute of America

Discussants

Mr. William Brown, Korea Economic Institute of America  
Mr. David Maxwell, Georgetown University  
Mr. William Newcomb, Former UN Security Council Panel, DPRK, Panel of Experts

**3:45 - 4:00 PM**

**Coffee Break**

**4:00 - 5:45 PM**

**Panel III: Korea and Major Powers: The Quest for Peace and Security**

Moderator

Dr. Jai Poong Ryu, Professor Emeritus, Loyola University Maryland and  
President, One Korea Foundation

Papers

"China and the Korean Peninsula"  
Mr. Gordon G. Chang, Forbes.com

"Japan's Role in North Korean Security Issues"  
Mr. James Durand, International Council of Korean Studies

"The United States and the Korean Peninsula"  
Mr. James Kendall, Sasakawa Peace Foundation

Discussants:

Dr. Andrew Scobell, Rand  
Dr. Douglass Streusand, Marine Corps University  
Mr. George Hutchinson, George Mason University

**5:45 – 6:00 PM**

**Closing Remarks**

Dr. Bruce E. Bechtol, Jr., President  
International Council of Korean Studies and Angelo State University  
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Mr. Greg Scarlatoiu, Executive Director  
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**6:00 PM**

**End of the Conference**