

International Conference

# The Korean Peninsula and the Middle East at 60: History, Economy, and Culture

22-23 May 2022 | Rabin Building, Room 3001 | Mt. Scopus Campus, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

## Conference Program

### 22 May 2022, Sunday

#### 10:00-10:30: Greetings

H.E. Suh Dong Gu, the Ambassador of The Republic of Korea in Israel

H.E. Akiva Tor, the Ambassador of The State of Israel in Korea

Prof. Nissim Otmazgin, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

#### 10:30-12:00 Panel I: Political ties, tensions, and possibilities in the Korea-Israel-the Middle East triangle

**Chair:** Benjamin Katzeff Silberstein, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

##### Satoru Miyamoto, Seigakuin University

Military cooperation between North Korea and Iran within North Korea's military cooperation policy toward Middle East

##### Satoshi Ikeuchi, University of Tokyo and Tel Aviv University

North Korea's relations with Egypt: A personal tie or institutional memory?

##### Alon Levkowitz, Bar Ilan University

Israel-South Korea relations: The first six decades

#### 14:00-16:30 Roundtable: Conflict management on the Korean Peninsula and in the East Asian Region: Challenges and opportunities from a conflict analysis and resolution lens

**Chair:** Galia Press Barnathan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Discussants:** Roland Wilson, George Mason University and Dr. Alon Levkowitz, Bar Ilan University

#### 17:00-18:30: Keynote speech

**Chair:** Irina Lyan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

##### Balázs Szalontai, Korea University

Hard power and soft power in Korean-Middle Eastern relations:

The lessons of history, the challenges of the present, the hopes of the future

#### 19:30-20:30: Korean traditional music performance by SangJaru band, the First Station Jerusalem

### 23 May 2022, Monday

#### 10:30-12:00: Panel II: Historical parallels, the Cold War memories, and representations of North Korea in the Middle East and vice versa

**Chair:** Or Rabinovich, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

##### Dafna Zur, Stanford University

The diary of Anne Frank in North Korea and the politics of self-writing

##### Balázs Szalontai, Korea University

Maneuvering between Baghdad and Tehran: North Korea's relations with Iraq and Iran during the Cold War

##### Pyung Hwa (Tim) Park, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Aggression against them is aggression against us: North Korea, the Yom-Kippur War, and the Israel factor

#### 13:30-15:00: Panel III: Korean cultural diplomacy in the Middle East

**Chair:** Guy Shababo, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

##### Young A Jung, George Mason University

When "Squid Game" meets Arab parody

##### Aviya Amir, University of California, Riverside

K-Talmud: Jewish texts as Korean children's education

##### Irina Lyan and Nissim Otmazgin, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Fandom makes the world go round: Practice, institutions, and entrepreneurship among Hallyu fans in Israel

#### 15:30-16:30: Concluding remarks and discussion on the special issue publication

**Chair:** Irina Lyan, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

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