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International Workshop on Korean Peninsula Situation and Korea-EU Relations

23 September 2022, h 3 - 7 pm Aula Mario Baratto Ca' Foscari University of Venice

Since the outbreak of the Ukraine War at the end of February 2022, the world is again showing a trend of mobilization into two camps just like in the Cold War. In other words, the United States and Europe are strongly protesting against the Russian invasion and reorganizing the economic order. In Asia, the two strategies of Unites States and China, respectively Indo-Pacific Strategy and Belt and Road Initiative are already showing tensions. again asking a question whether two different zones will create two different camps or a third zone during the Cold War. Geopolitically, Korea has historically shown the role of a clash of two great powers through the Sino-Japanese War, the Russo-Japanese War, and the Korean War. Although there is a difference that Korea is the world's 10th largest economy in the 21st century, the Korean Peninsula still borders directly or indirectly with the world's four major powers: the United States, Japan, China, and Russia. At this time, we would like to explore Korea's future by holding an international workshop that looks at the historical experience, present state, and future of the Korean peninsula at Ca' Foscari University of Venice, where it is located in a historical intersection of different cultures. Since a recent global upheaval is not just a problem for Koreans. but a globally interconnected issue, we want to find the direction of the world's development through the exchange of opinions of various experts on history, international relations, and law etc. Furthermore, this workshop will also probe a possibility to have a close cooperation between Korea and EU. We will find an implication of this workshop on the path of Korean Studies at Ca' Foscari University of Venice in the future.

3.00 - 3.20 pm Welcoming Remarks

Marco Ceresa, Director of Department of Asian and North African Studies, Ca' Foscari

Greetings

Hyung-Shik Kang, Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Milan

Yu-Hwan Koh, President of Korean Institute for National Unification (KINU)

Part I. Korean Peninsula and New International Settings

3.20 - 4.40 pm

Jihwan Hwang (University of Seoul) The U.S.-China Strategic Rivalry and the Korean Peninsula

Francesca Frassineti (ISPI/Ca' Foscari University of Venice), South Korea's Arms Sales Business: Risks and Opportunities of Contributing to US-led Multilateralism through Defense Procurement

Discussant

Seok Hoon Kang (Second Secretary, Korean Peninsula Peace Regime Division, MOFA -Ministry of Foreign Affairs-)

Hee Kyung Chang (University of Duisburg-Essen) **Marco Milani** (University of Bologna)

4.40 - 5.00 pm Coffee Break

Part II. Korea - EU Relations in New International Settings

5.00 - 6.20 pm

Han Dong Ho (Korean Institute for National Unification) nter-Korean Relations, the Yoon Suk Yeol Government, and Civic Nationalism in South Korea

Hannes B. Mosler (University of Duisburg-Essen) Characteristics of the Zeitenwende in Germany's Ostpolitik and its implications for South Korea's Nordpolitik

Discussant

Youngah Guahk (LUISS)

Renzo Cavalieri (Ca' Foscari University of Venice) **Youngmi Kim** (University of Edinburgh)

6.20 - 6.50 pm Comprehensive Discussion

6.50 - 7.00 pm Concluding Remarks