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# AGENDA

**Monday, May 18, 2015**  
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| 9:40 – 10:00 a.m.  | **Welcoming Remarks**  
Jaeho Yeom, President of Korea University  
Andrew Eungi Kim, Dean of Graduate School of International Studies, Korea University |
| 10:00 – 10:15 a.m. | **Keynote Speech**  
*Promoting and Protecting Human Rights in Asia*  
Changrok Soh, Chair of the SSK Human Rights Forum, Member of United Nations Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, Korea University |
| 10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | **The Creation and Diffusion of Global Human Rights Norms**  
*Speakers and Discussants*  
**Toward a Global Human Rights Culture?**  
Francisco O. Ramirez, Stanford University  
Discussant: Jungmin Seo, Yonsei University  

*National Constitutions and Minority Rights: Evidence from a Cross-National Analysis, 1789 – 2010*  
Kiyoteru Tsutsui, University of Michigan  
Discussant: Kyu Sup Hahn, Seoul National University  

*The International Diffusion of Accountability and Investigative Norms*  
Hun Joon Kim, Korea University  
Discussant: Eunjeong Cho, Seoul National University |
| 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  | **Luncheon**                                                          |
| 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.   | **From Diffusion to Improvement: Explaining a Costly Job**  
*Speakers and Discussants*  
**Does Democracy Reduce Human Rights Violations or Just Prevent More Violations than the Current Level? An Exogenous Explanation of Human Rights Improvement in Democracies.**  
Youngsoo Yu, Korea University  
Discussant: Jun Hyung Yu, Korea Institute for Defense Analyses  

Minzee Kim, Ewha Womens’ University  
Discussant: Eunhye Yoo, Soongsil University |
Non-Governmental Organizations and Economic Sanctions
Taehee Whang, Yonsei University
Youngwan Kim, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
Discussant: Dong-Hun Kim, Korea University

Moderator Sunhyuk Kim, Korea University

3:00 – 3:20 p.m. Coffee Break

3:20 – 4:20 p.m. Contested Human Rights: A Harbinger of Recession?

Speakers and Discussants How Does Korean Print Media Treat Human Rights?: The Quantitative and Qualitative Evidence.
Sookyung Kim, Korea University
Jeong-Woo Koo, Sungkyunkwan University
Discussant: Byung-Soo Kim, Hanyang University

Human Rights in Recession in South Korea?: Evidence from the National Human Rights Index
Jeong-Woo Koo, Sungkyunkwan University
Discussant: Soohan Kim, Korea University

Moderator Dongsung Kong, Sungkyunkwan University

4:20 – 4:30 p.m. Short Break

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Improving Human Rights in Africa and Asia

Speakers and Discussants Determinants of Human Rights in Sub-Saharan African Countries: The Impact of the Diffusion of Human Rights Norms
Dae-Wook Kim, Seoul National University
Discussant: Youngwan Kim, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies

The Role of Civil Society in Strengthening Regional Human Rights Regimes: Implications for Asia.
Yoon-eui Kim, Korea University
Changrok Soh, Korea University
Discussant: Youngwan Kim, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies

Moderator Jaebeom Kim, Sungkyunkwan University
NEW HORIZONS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS PARTICIPANTS

Members/Presenters

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5. **Francisco Ramirez** Professor of Education, Stanford University
6. **Kiyoteru Tsutsui** Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan
7. **Taehee Whang** Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and International Studies, Yonsei University
8. **Hun Joon Kim** Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Korea University
9. **Minzee Kim** Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Ewha Womans University
10. **Sookyung Kim** Research Professor of International Studies, Korea University
11. **Youngsoo Yu** Research Professor of International Studies, Korea University

Other Presenters

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2. **Yooneui Kim** Doctoral Student, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Korea University
3. **Dae-Wook Kim** Doctoral Student, Department of Sociology, Seoul National University

Moderators and Discussants

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3. **Eunjeong Cho** Researcher, The Center for International Studies (CIS), Seoul National University
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ABOUT SSK HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM

The SSK (Social Science Korea) Human Rights Forum is an inter-university research group engaged in multi-year research projects on human rights from a social science perspective, which is an increasingly popular approach to studying human rights. The project, led by Principle Investigator Dr. Changrok Soh (Professor of International Studies, Korea University), is funded by the National Research Foundation of Korea and participating universities include Korea University, Sungkyunkwan University, Yonsei University, Ewha Womans University, Stanford University, Harvard University, and the University of Michigan. The project is also co-organized by the International Human Rights Research Center at Korea University and the Sungkyunkwan Center for Human Rights and Development.

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Changrok Soh is Professor at Graduate School of International Studies, Korea University. After he graduated from the Department of International Relations at Seoul National University, he received his Ph.D. as well as MALD from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University. He had also worked as Research Associate at BRIE (Berkeley Roundtable on the International Economy), University of California, Berkeley; a Research Fellow at Pacific Basic Research Center, and J.F.Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He has a special interest in the field of Human Rights and Human Security, especially in East Asia. He is currently the president of the Human Asia.

Featured publications


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Featured publications


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Featured publications


Minzee Kim is Assistant Professor of Sociology at Ewha Womans University. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. She studies the interplay between globalization and law and their implications on human rights. Particularly, she is interested in women’s and children’s rights. She has published on cross-national variations in and outcomes of state policies for various women’s and children’s issues such as children’s survival and development rights, education funding, and women’s employment. Her current research includes an examination of abortion laws and laws relevant to women’s employment. She also conducts research on mental health of the youth during the transition to adulthood.

Featured publications


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Featured publications


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