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The Korea Foundation (KF) implements a variety of academic, policy-related, cultural, and people-to-people exchange programs to enhance understanding of the Republic of Korea and lay the groundwork for international cooperation in the global community. As a public diplomacy organization, the KF assists the Republic of Korea in contributing to the international community as a globally responsible power and builds friendships with people around the world. The programs implemented by the KF are funded by the International Exchange Endowment created with passport issuance fees paid by the Korean people.

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SUPPORT FOR GLOBAL KOREAN STUDIES

Support for Global Korean Studies

The KF extends support to prominent universities abroad for the establishment of Korean studies professorships and the employment of teaching staff, and KF Global e-School to consolidate the infrastructure of Korean studies programs. It also provides support to students and scholars of Korean language and Korean studies abroad through its fellowship programs, including the Scholarship for Graduate Studies, the Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research, and the Fellowship for Field Research. The KF also provides Korean studies materials to global universities, libraries, and research institutions to promote Korean studies abroad.

Support for Korean Studies/Korean Language Courses

Fellowship Programs

Support for Knowledge and Information Resources on Korea



GLOBAL NETWORKING

Global Networking

The KF supports leading policy institutes abroad in conducting research on global and East Asian issues, and organizes high-level bilateral and multilateral forums, including Track 1.5 and Track 2 dialogues, with key partner countries. The KF also contributes to expanding global cooperation through initiatives such as the Next Generation Policy Experts Network and global public diplomacy networks.

In addition, the KF invites distinguished individuals and next-generation leaders from around the world to experience Korean society and culture firsthand through visits to key institutions, meetings with prominent figures, and lectures, thereby fostering closer international relationships. By administrating the operation of the Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat, the KF also strengthens future-oriented, mutually beneficial partnerships between Korea and the five Central Asian countries.

- Invitation Program for Distinguished Figures
- Next Generation Leaders · Youth Exchange Program
- KF Global Challengers
- Public Diplomacy Program for Korean Citizens
- Forums and Seminars
- Support for Policy-Oriented Research Program
- Next Generation Policy Experts Network
- Regional Strategic Program
- Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat

SUPPORT FOR CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Support for Cultural Exchange

The KF extends support to prominent museums overseas for the organization of Korea-related exhibitions and the establishment of endowed curatorships for Korean art, making Korean culture more accessible to people around the world. The KF also organizes and supports a variety of Korean cultural events, including performances and special lectures abroad, and publishes its quarterly magazine *Koreana*, offering international readers an in-depth introduction to Korean art, culture, society, and history. Through the KF Global Center, the KF hosts a diverse array of art and culture programs, including exhibitions, lectures, and performances, to help foreign residents in Korea enhance their understanding of Korean society and culture. Established in September 2017, the KF ASEAN Culture House (KF-ACH) organizes cultural exchange and education programs to provide a comprehensive introduction to the eleven ASEAN member states, thereby enriching Koreans' understanding of ASEAN and providing residents from ASEAN countries with an opportunity to enjoy their own culture.

Korean Arts and Cultural Exchange

Support for Overseas Museums

Publications on Korea

KF Global Center

KF Global Arts

Expansion of Foundation for Public Diplomacy

KF ASEAN Culture House

ASEAN Arts and Culture

Exchange and Cooperation with ASEAN

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Message from the President

The KF is strengthening the depth of its engagement to build resilient partnerships and ensure that Korea's voice reaches around the world, even amid rapidly changing global conditions.

Since its establishment in 1991, the Korea Foundation (KF) has led the Republic of Korea's public diplomacy, serving as a bridge between Korea and the world. Through a wide range of initiatives—including support for global Korean studies, policy and knowledge exchanges, cultural and artistic cooperation, and the development of global networks—the KF has worked to promote Korea's values and culture internationally while fostering mutual understanding and cooperation among nations.

Today, the international community faces complex challenges, including fast-paced technological innovation, the climate crisis, and shifting geopolitical dynamics. In this time of profound transformation, the role of public diplomacy—grounded in trust and mutual understanding—is more important than ever. In response, the KF is strengthening the depth of its engagement to build resilient partnerships and ensure that Korea's voice reaches around the world, even amid rapidly changing global conditions.

The year 2025 marked a period of consolidating the foundation of KF's global partnerships. The KF launched the Indo-Pacific Security Dialogue in collaboration with the University of Sydney, expanding strategic channels of communication with key partner countries. In addition, the KF established an Endowed Curatorship for Korean Art at the Art Institute of Chicago, creating an opportunity to further promote the artistic value of Korean culture on the global stage.

Building on these achievements, in 2026, the KF aims to further expand the dynamism of its activities. While reinforcing existing networks, the KF will broaden the scope of its cooperation curto include key regions of the

Global South, particularly Latin America and Southeast Asia, thereby contributing to a more balanced ecosystem of international collaboration. At the same time, the KF will enhance public participation programs and regional initiatives so that Korean citizens can experience the value of public diplomacy in their daily lives, realizing a model of public diplomacy that grows in step with the people.

Furthermore, the KF will expand the foundation of public diplomacy nationwide through closer collaboration with local governments, public institutions, and universities, and will strive to become a trusted organization through transparent communication with the public.

Moving forward, the KF will continue to work closely with partners around the world, doing its utmost to ensure that Korea's voice and values are conveyed in a balanced and meaningful way within the international community.

Thank you very much.

President of The Korea Foundation

Support for Global Korean Studies

The KF introduces Korea to the world through its support for education and research.

To promote knowledge and information about Korea in the international community and to nurture international experts in Korean studies, the KF extends support for Korean studies and Korean language courses at prominent universities abroad, and offers systematic support to international students and scholars of Korean studies through academic level-based scholarships and invitation-based fellowships.

Support for Korean Studies/Korean Language Courses

Fellowship Programs

Support for Knowledge and Information Resources on Korea

Support for Korean Studies/Korean Language Courses

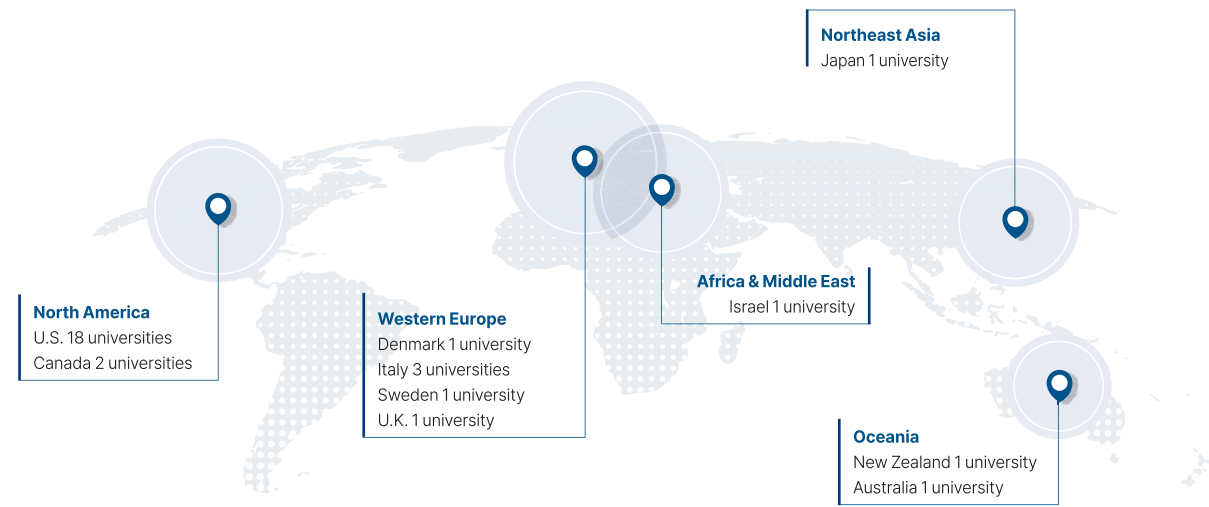


Support for Korean Studies/Korean Language Courses

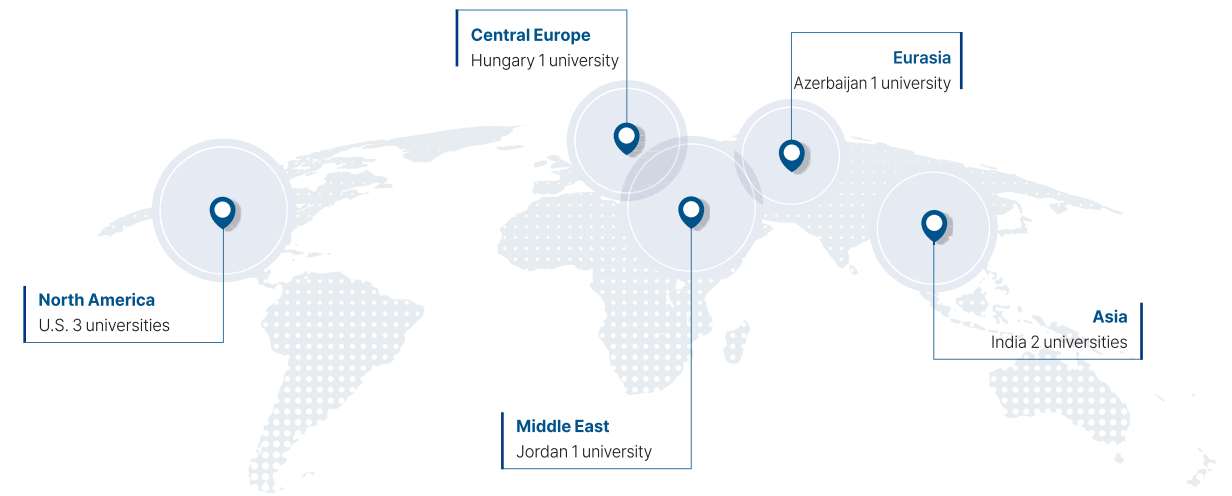
Support for Establishment of Korean Studies/Korean Language Professorships

Region	Country	Universities	Field	Period	Remarks
North America	U.S.	Emory University	Korean studies	Dec, 2021– Aug, 2025	Endowment
		University of Notre Dame	Korean studies	Jul, 2020–Jun, 2026	Salary support
			Korean studies	Jul, 2024–Jun, 2029	Salary support
		Boston University	Korean studies	May, 2025–Jun, 2027	Endowment
		University at Buffalo, The State University of New York	Korean studies	Dec, 2023–Dec, 2027	Endowment
		University of Maryland, Baltimore County	Korean language	Aug, 2023–Jul, 2028	Salary support
		New York University	Korean studies	Sept, 2022–Aug, 2027	Salary support
		University of Iowa	Korean studies and Korean language	Aug, 2021–Jul, 2026	Salary support
		Arizona State University	Korean studies	Aug, 2023–Aug, 2027	Salary support
		Auburn University	Korean studies	Aug, 2024–May, 2027	Salary support
		George Mason University	Korean studies	Aug, 2025–Sept, 2030	Salary support
		Indiana University Bloomington	Korean studies	Aug, 2021–Jul, 2026	Salary support
		University of Illinois Urbana–Champaign	Korean studies	Aug, 2024–Aug, 2029	Salary support
		Bard College	Korean studies	Sept, 2025–Sept, 2028	Salary support
		University of Kansas	Korean studies	Jul, 2024–Jun, 2029	Salary support
		University of Chicago	Korean studies	Jul, 2025–Jul, 2030	Salary support
		University of Minnesota	Korean studies	Aug, 2025–May, 2030	Salary support
		University of California, Santa Barbara	Korean studies	Jul, 2022–Jun, 2027	Salary support
		University of California, Irvine	Korean studies	Jul, 2022–Jun, 2026	Salary support
		Canada	University of Montreal	Korean studies	Aug, 2024–Jun, 2029
University of Alberta	Korean studies		Jul, 2024–Jun, 2027	Salary support	
Western Europe	Denmark	University of Copenhagen	Korean studies	Jan, 2022–Dec, 2026	Salary support
	Sweden	Lund University	Korean studies	Aug, 2024–Jul, 2029	Salary support
	Italy	University of Turin	Korean language and literature	Jul, 2023–Jun, 2026	Salary support
		Naples University of Oriental Studies	Korean studies	Dec, 2024–Nov, 2029	Salary support
	University for Foreigners of Siena	Korean studies and Korean language	Oct, 2020–Sept, 2025	Salary support	
U.K.	SOAS, University of London	Korean studies	Dec, 2025–Sept, 2030	Endowment	
Oceania	New Zealand	Auckland University	Korean studies	Jul, 2022–Jun, 2027	Salary support
	Australia	Monash University	Korean studies	Jun, 2022–Jun, 2027	Salary support
Africa & Middle East	Israel	Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Korean studies	Jul, 2024–Jun, 2029	Salary support

Support for Establishment of Professorships: Overview



Support for Employment of Teaching Staff: Overview



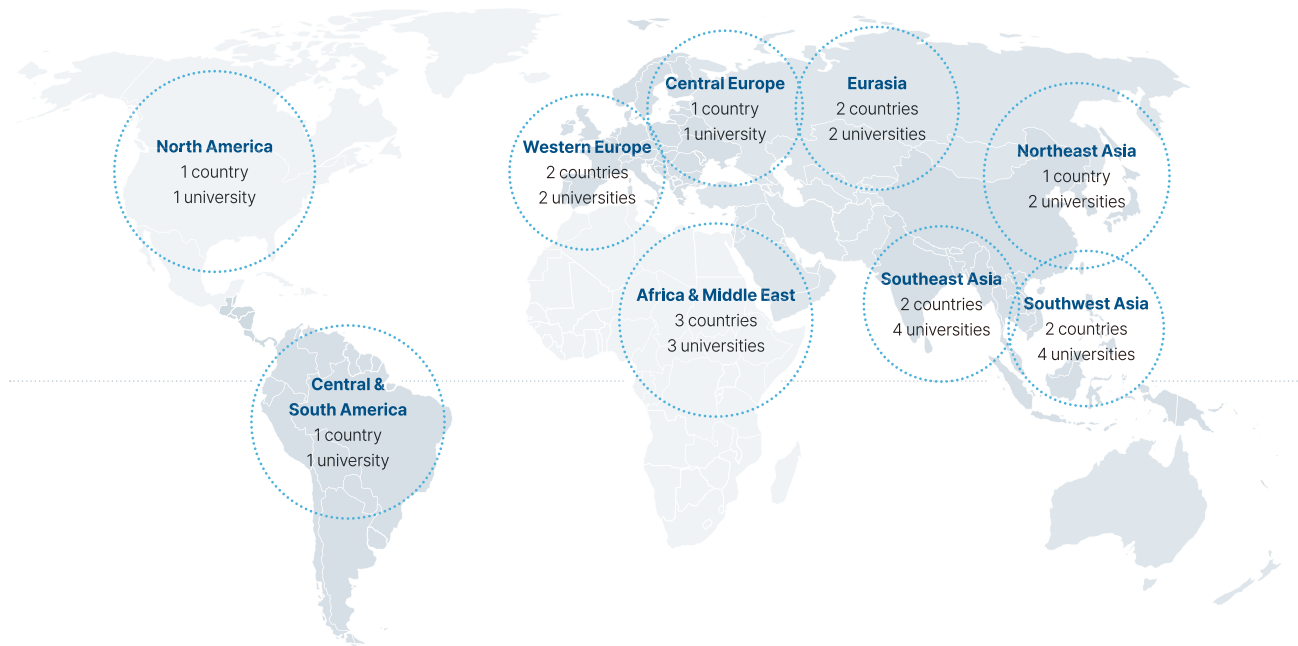
Support for Employment of Teaching Staff

Region	Country	University	Field
North America	U.S.	Bryn Mawr College	Korean language
		Carnegie Mellon University	Korean language
		University of Georgia	Korean language
Central Europe	Hungary	Eotvos Lorand University	Korean studies
Eurasia	Azerbaijan	Baku State University	Korean language
Middle East	Jordan	University of Jordan	Korean language
Asia	India	University of Delhi	Korean language
		English and Foreign Languages University	Korean language

Dispatch of Visiting Professors

Region	Country	University	Field	
North America	U.S.	Purdue University	Korean language	
Central & South America	Colombia	National University of Colombia	Korean language	
Western Europe	Portugal	University of Lisbon	Korean language	
Northern Europe	Latvia	University of Latvia	Korean language	
Central Europe	Turkiye	Bogazici University	Korean studies	
		Ankara University		
Eurasia	Kazakhstan	Nazarbayev University	Korean language	
	Turkmenistan	Azadi Turkmen National Institute of World Languages	Korean language	
Northeast Asia	China	Peking University	Korean language	
		University of Hong Kong	Korean studies	
Southeast Asia	Indonesia	Dong A University	Korean language	
		Gadjah Mada University (UGM)	Korean language	
		Indonesia University of Education (UPI)	Korean language	
Southwest Asia	India	University of Indonesia	Korean language	
		Bangladesh	University of Dhaka	Korean language
		India	Manipur University	Korean language
Africa & Middle East	United Arab Emirates	Jamia Millia Islamia University	Korean language	
		Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Korean language	
		American University of Sharjah	Korean language	
		Cote d'Ivoire	Felix Houphouët-Boigny University	Korean studies
	Kenya	University of Nairobi	Korean language	

Dispatch of Visiting Professors: Overview



KF Global e-School

KF Global e-School: Korean-Foreign University Partnerships

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Kyung Hee University (10 universities in 7 countries)	Russia	National Research University Higher School of Economics
		National Research University Higher School of Economics in Saint-Petersburg
	Viet Nam	Thang Long University
	Spain	University of Navarra
	Indonesia	University of Indonesia
		Indonesia University of Education (UPI)
		Pasundan University
	China	Lingnan University
	Thailand	Thammasat University
	Philippines	De La Salle University

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Korea University (12 universities in 7 countries)	Taiwan	National Chengchi University
	Germany	Free University of Berlin
		University of Tübingen
	Mongolia	National University of Mongolia
	Indonesia	Gadjah Mada University (UGM)
		University of Indonesia
	China	Nanjing University
		Peking University
		Shanghai International Studies University
	Thailand	Chiang Mai University
		Chulalongkorn University
	France	National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO)
Seoul National University (13 universities in 8 countries)	Germany	University of Tübingen
		University of Duisburg-Essen
	Russia	Irkutsk State University
	Mongolia	National Research Tomsk State University
		National University of Mongolia
	Viet Nam	University of Social Sciences and Humanities – Vietnam National University Hanoi
		University of Social Sciences and Humanities – Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City
	India	Christ University
	France	Bordeaux Montaigne University
	Philippines	University of the Philippines Diliman
		Ateneo de Manila University
	Italy	University of Turin
		Naples University of Oriental Studies
Sungkyunkwan University (15 universities in 10 countries)	New Zealand	Victoria University of Wellington
	U.S.	Indiana University Bloomington
	Indonesia	Gadjah Mada University (UGM)
		University of Indonesia
		Padjadjaran University
	Brawijaya University	
	Rwanda	University of Rwanda
	Turkiye	Anadolu University
	Taiwan	Tunghai University
		National Taiwan University
	Philippines	University of the Philippines Diliman
		Isabela State University
	Poland	Wroclaw University of Economics and Business
	China	Macau University
	Singapore	Singapore Management University

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Sookmyung Women's University (12 universities in 9 countries)	Viet Nam	Academy of Journalism and Communication
		Hanoi University
	Brazil	Federal University of Minas Gerais
		Federal University of Viçosa
	Senegal	International School of Management (ISM-Dakar)
	Iraq	Soran University
	India	Jawaharlal Nehru University
	Indonesia	Gadjah Mada University (UGM)
		Indonesia University of Education (UPI)
	Japan	Showa Women's University
	Kenya	University of Nairobi
	Malaysia	University of Malaya
Yonsei University (10 universities in 9 countries)	New Zealand	University of Auckland
	Germany	University of Jena
	Mongolia	Mongolian University of Science and Technology
		National University of Mongolia
	Belgium	Free University of Brussels
	Indonesia	Nasional University (UNAS)
	Japan	Waseda University
	Kazakhstan	Nazarbayev University
	Philippines	University of the Philippines Diliman
	Australia	University of Queensland

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Ewha Womans University (21 universities in 9 countries)	Germany	Goethe University of Frankfurt
		University of Hamburg
	Russia	Buryat State University
		Irkutsk State University
		Kalmyk State University
		National Research Tomsk State University
	Lithuania	Mykolas Romeris University
		Vilnius University
	Mexico	University of Colima
	Viet Nam	Van Lang University
		University of Languages and International Studies – Vietnam National University Hanoi
		University of Social Sciences and Humanities – Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Education
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages–Information Technology (HUFLIT)
		Japan
China		Dalian University of Foreign Languages
Thailand	Naresuan University	
	Silpakorn University	
	Chulalongkorn University	
Bulgaria	Rangsit University	
Bulgaria	Sofia University	
Taiwan	National Sun Yat-sen University	
Mongolia	University of Humanities, Mongolia	
Chung-Ang University (6 universities in 4 countries)	Viet Nam	Dai Nam University
		Da Nang University of Foreign Language Studies
	India	Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
		Manipur University

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (18 universities in 6 countries)	Taiwan	National University of Kaohsiung
		National Chengchi University
		Chinese Culture University
		National Taiwan Normal University
	Germany	Goethe University of Frankfurt
		University of Hamburg
	Viet Nam	University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University – Ho Chi Minh City
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages–Information Technology (HUFLIT)
		Hong Bang International University (HBU)
	Indonesia	Gadjah Mada University (UGM)
		University of Indonesia
		Indonesia University of Education (UPI)
	China	Beijing International Studies University
		Beijing Language and Culture University
		Beijing Foreign Studies University
	Thailand	Kasetsart University
		Burapha University
		Chiang Mai University
Hanyang University (8 universities in 7 countries)	Romania	Romanian–American University
		University of Bucharest
	Slovenia	University of Ljubljana
	Croatia	Juraj Dobrila University of Pula
	Kyrgyzstan	International University of Kyrgyzstan
	Turkiye	Istanbul University
	Hungary	Eötvös Loránd University
	Slovakia	Comenius University
Keimyung University (9 universities in 8 countries)	Nepal	Kathmandu University
	Uzbekistan	Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies
	Indonesia	University of Madani Indonesia
		University of Indonesia
	Kazakhstan	Korkyt Ata Kyzylorda State University
	Czech Republic	Palacky University, Olomouc
	Poland	Jagiellonian University
	Hungary	Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary
	Kyrgyzstan	Kyrgyz National University
Sogang University (6 universities in 4 countries)	India	Jawaharlal Nehru University
	Philippines	Ateneo de Manila University
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
		Hue university of Foreign Languages
	Viet Nam	Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam
		Lithuania

KF Global e-School: Korean Language Education e-School

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient		
	Country	University	
Kyung Hee Cyber University (24 universities in 15 countries)	Russia	Kazan Federal University	
	Mongolia	Huree University of Information and Communication Technology	
		International University of Ulaanbaatar	
	Mexico	Autonomous University of Nayarit	
	Viet Nam	Dai Nam University	
		Thang Long University	
		Hong Bang International University (HBU)	
		Dalat University	
	Slovakia	Comenius University	
		Italy	Naples University of Oriental Studies
			India
	Cote d'Ivoire	Felix Houphouet–Boigny University	
	Thailand	Kasetsart University	
		Türkiye	Istanbul Gelişim University
	Erciyes University		
	Istanbul Kültür University		
	Paraguay	National Institute of Higher Education Dr. Raul Pena	
	Poland	Jagiellonian University	
	France	National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO)	
		University of Franche–Comte	
	Malaysia	University of Kuala Lumpur	
		Uzbekistan	Turin Polytechnic University in Tashkent
	Samarkand State Institute of Foreign Languages		
	Busan University of Foreign Studies (8 universities in 5 countries)	Russia	Buryat State University
Ural Federal University			
Viet Nam		Van Lang University	
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Economics and Finance	
Brazil		University of Sao Paulo	
Italy		University of Foreigners of Siena	
China		Jilin International Studies University	
		Xi'an International Studies University	

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Cyber Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (18 universities in 7 countries)	Myanmar	Yangon University of Foreign Languages
		Mandalay University of Foreign Languages
	Viet Nam	Dong A University
		Hue University of Foreign Languages
		Da Nang University of Foreign Language Studies
		Vietnam–Korea University of Information and Communication Technology
		University of Social Sciences and Humanities – Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
		Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages–Information Technology (HUFLIT)
	Hong Bang International University (HBU)	
	India	Jawaharlal Nehru University
	Japan	Niigata University of International and Information Studies
		University of Niigata Prefecture
	Mejiro University	
	Kazakhstan	Al–Farabi Kazakh National University
	Thailand	Burapha University
		Rangsit University
	France	Universite Paris Cite
	Yeungnam University (15 universities in 9 countries)	Russia
Mongolia		National University of Mongolia
		University of Humanities, Mongolia
Indonesia		Nasional University (UNAS)
		Gadjah Mada University (UGM)
Viet Nam		Hue University
		Hue University of Science
Ethiopia		Adama Science and Technology University
China		Xi’an International Studies University
Kyrgyzstan		Batken State University
		Korean Institute of Central Asia
		Kyrgyzstan University of Language and Culture
Thailand		Prince of Songkla University
Uzbekistan		Uzbekistan State University of World Languages
		Namangan State University of Foreign Languages

Lecture Source	Lecture Recipient	
	Country	University
Jeju National University (6 universities in 4 countries)	Romania	Babes–Bolyai University
	Uzbekistan	Samarkand State Institute of Foreign Languages
		Shanghai International Studies University
	China	Beijing Language and Culture University
		University of International Business and Economics
	Turkiye	Istanbul University
Honam University (13 universities in 9 countries)	Russia	Ufa University of Science and Technology
		Chelyabinsk State University
		Kazan Federal University
	Viet Nam	Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
	Singapore	Nanyang Polytechnic
	Azerbaijan	Azerbaijan Technology University
		Azerbaijan University of Languages
	Japan	Musashino University
	China	Shandong Labor Vocational and Technical College
	Kazakhstan	Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University
	Turkiye	Ankara University
	Thailand	Naresuan University
		Prince of Songkla University Pattani Campus

KF Global e-School: Foreign Regional Consortia

Consortium	Country	University
Michigan–BTAA Consortium (North America) (13 universities in 1 country)	U.S.	University of Nebraska
		Rutgers University, New Brunswick
		University of Maryland, College Park
		University of Minnesota
		University of Michigan
		Michigan State University
		University of Iowa
		Ohio State University
		University of Wisconsin–Madison
		Indiana University, Bloomington
		University of Illinois, Urbana–Champaign
		Purdue University
		Penn State University
Tubingen–CIVIS Consortium (Europe) (7 universities in 6 countries)	Germany	University of Tubingen
	Spain	Autonomous University of Madrid
		University of Malaga
	France	Aix–Marseille University
	Romania	University of Bucharest
	Italy	Sapienza University of Rome
	Sweden	Stockholm University

KF Global e-School: Lecture Recipients: Overview



Fellowship Programs

The KF administers various fellowship programs to encourage Korean studies scholars and experts abroad to conduct research on Korea, and to nurture the next generation of Korea experts. These programs include the Scholarship for Graduate Studies, the Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research, the Fellowship for Field Research, and the KF-IUC Fellowship. The KF also invites diplomats from other countries to join Korean language and culture education programs in Korea.

■ **Scholarship for Graduate Studies**

Scholarship for Graduate Studies in AY 2025-2026

Region	Country	University	Number of Fellows
Oceania (8 fellows from 5 universities in 2 countries)	New Zealand	Auckland University	2
		Victoria University of Wellington	2
	Australia	University of New South Wales	1
		Monash University	2
		Curtin University	1
North America (21 fellows from 12 universities in 2 countries)	U.S.	University of California, LA	4
		University of California, Berkeley	4
		University of California, Irvine	1
		Duke University	1
		University of Michigan	1
		University of Virginia	1
		Boston University	1
		University of Southern California	2
		Washington University in Saint Louis	1
		Princeton University	1
	Harvard University	1	
	Canada	University of Toronto	3

Region	Country	University	Number of Fellows	
Asia (71 fellows from 29 universities in 10 countries)	Taiwan	Tamkang University	1	
	Malaysia	University of Malaya	3	
	Mongolia	Mongolian National University	1	
		University of Humanities, Mongolia	1	
	Viet Nam	University of Languages and International Studies, Vietnam National University Hanoi	1	
		University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University Hanoi	3	
	India	Manipur University	2	
		Jawaharlal Nehru University	3	
	Indonesia	Hasanuddin University	1	
	Japan	Kyoto University	1	
		Nagoya University	1	
		Doshisha University	4	
		University of Tokyo	6	
		Tokyo University of Foreign Studies	4	
		Ritsumeikan University	2	
		China	Liaoning Normal University	1
			Peking University	5
			Beijing Normal University	2
			Beijing Foreign Studies University	1
	Shandong University		1	
	Shanghai International Studies University		5	
	Yanbian University		2	
	Renmin University of China		1	
	Ocean University of China		1	
	Jilin University		3	
	Fudan University	11		
	Hunan Normal University	2		
	Thailand	Chulalongkorn University	1	
	Philippines	University of the Philippines Diliman	1	
Eurasia (19 fellows from 6 universities in 3 countries)	Russia	National Research University Higher School of Economics	1	
		Kazan Federal University	2	
	Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan State University of World Languages	2	
		Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies	6	
	Kazakhstan	Al-Farabi Kazakh National University	2	
		Kazakh University of International Relations and World Languages	6	

Region	Country	University	Number of Fellows
Europe (26 fellows from 17 universities in 11 countries)	Netherlands	Leiden University	1
	Germany	Ruhr University of Bochum	3
	Romania	University of Bucharest	1
	Slovenia	University of Ljubljana	1
	Ireland	University College Cork	2
	U.K.	SOAS, University of London	2
		London School of Economics and Political Science	1
		University of Leeds	2
		University of Brighton	1
	University of Cambridge	1	
	Italy	Ca' Foscari University of Venice	1
	Czech Republic	Charles University in Prague	1
	Poland	University of Warsaw	1
	France	National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO)	2
Université Paris Cité		3	
School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences(EHESS)	1		
Finland	University of Turku	2	
Central & South America (2 fellows from 1 university in 1 country)	Chile	Central University of Chile	2
Total	29 countries	70 universities	147 fellows

Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research

Fellowship for Postdoctoral Research in AY 2025-2026

Region	Country	Institution	Number of Fellows
Oceania (2 fellows from 2 institutions in 1 country)	Australia	Deakin University	1
		Monash University	1
North America (9 fellows from 9 institutions in 2 countries)	U.S.	University of Michigan	1
		Brooklyn Museum	1
		University of Southern California	1
		George Washington University	1
		Georgetown University	1
		Harvard University	1
		University of Hawaii, Manoa	1
	Canada	University of British Columbia	1
		York University	1
Asia (5 fellows from 4 institutions in 3 countries)	India	Manipur University	1
		Jawaharlal Nehru University	2
	Japan	Doshisha University	1
China	Renmin University of China	1	
Europe (2 fellows from 2 institutions in 1 country)	U.K.	University of Manchester	1
		University of Sheffield	1
Total	7 countries	17 institutions	18 fellows



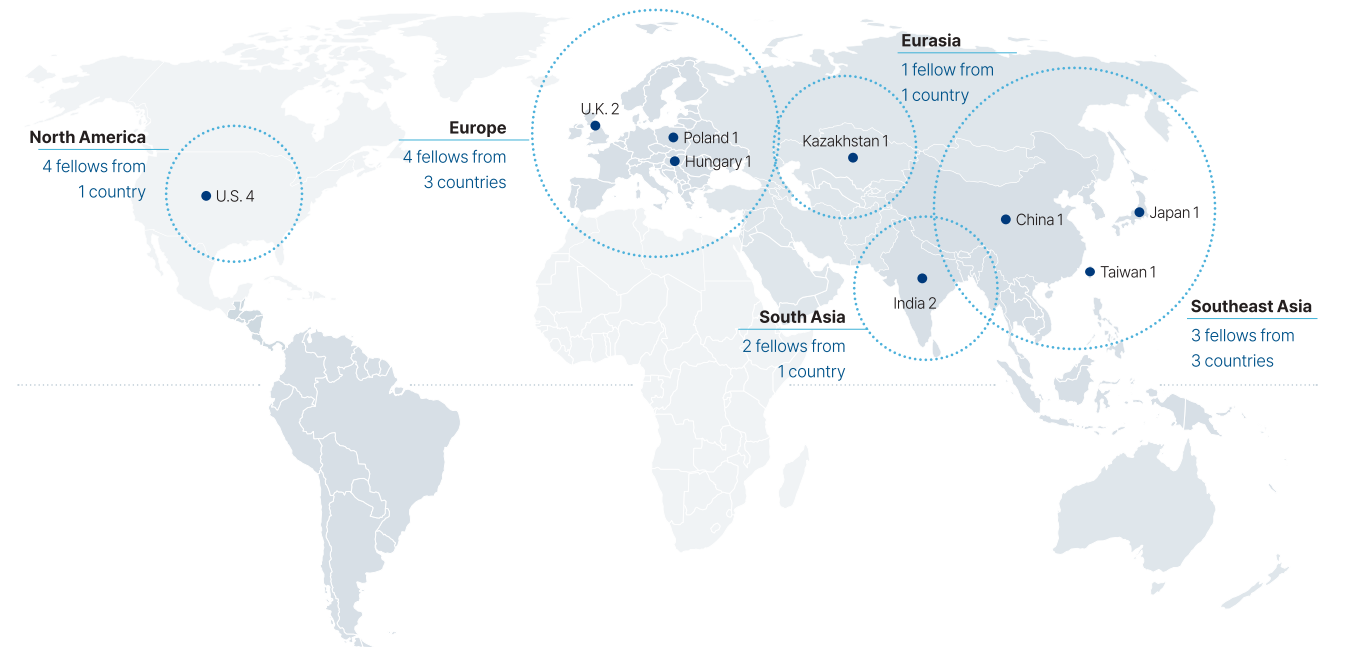
2025 KF Fellows' Day



The 2025 KF Korean Language and Culture Program for Diplomats Welcoming Ceremony

Fellowship for Field Research

Fellowship for Field Research by Region



Fellowship for Field Research by Field



KF-IUC Fellowship



Korean Language and Culture Program for Diplomats

Recipient Diplomats by Region



Support for Knowledge and Information Resources on Korea

The KF supports overseas universities, national and public libraries, research institutes, and museums by providing Korean studies materials and opening “Korea Corners,” cultural promotion hubs, to enhance understanding of Korea and promote Korean studies research activities.

Support for Korean Studies Resources

Support for Electronic Resources for Korean Studies

Region	Country	Recipient Institution
Oceania (1 institution in 1 country)	Australia	Australian National University
North America (10 institutions in 2 countries)	U.S.	University of California, Irvine
		Binghamton University, State University of New York
		University of Minnesota
		University of Washington Saint Louis
		Indiana University Bloomington
		University of Kansas
		Cornell University
		Claremont University
		University of Texas at Austin
	Canada	University of British Columbia
Asia (4 institutions in 2 countries)	Japan	Kanda University of International Studies
		Tenri University
	Tokyo University of Foreign Studies	
China	University of Hong Kong	
Europe (9 institutions in 4 countries)	Netherlands	Leiden University
		SOAS, University of London
	U.K.	Central Lancashire University
		University of Sheffield
		University of Edinburgh
		University of Oxford
		University of Cambridge
	Austria	University of Vienna
	France	Université Paris Cité
Total		24 institutions in 9 countries

Support for Consortiums

Title	Region	Country	Recipient Institution
KF-CrossAsia Consortium (7 institutions in 1 country)	Europe	Germany	Berlin State Library
			Ruhr University Bochum
			University of Bonn
			Free University of Berlin
			Goethe University Frankfurt
			University of Tübingen
			University of Hamburg
KF-NoBKS Consortium (6 institutions in 4 countries)	Finland	Finland	University of Helsinki
			University of Turku
	Norway	Norway	University of Oslo
			Denmark
	Sweden	Sweden	Stockholm University
			Swedish Defence Research Agency

Support for Korean Collections Consortium of North America (KCCNA)

Country	Institution	Outline
U.S.	University of Michigan Library	Support for acquisition of Korea-related books and materials in specialized subject areas
	University of Chicago Library	
	Stanford University Library	
	University of Washington Library	
	University of California Berkeley Library	
	University of California Los Angeles Library	
	Columbia University Library	
	Princeton University Library	
	Harvard University Library	
	University of Hawaii at Manoa Library	
Yale University Library		

Support for Korean Resources Specialists Network

Recipient	Title	Period	Venue	Number of Participants
European Network of Korean Resources Specialists (ENKRS)	2025 KF ENKRS Workshop: Korean Studies Librarianship and Digital Humanities – Opportunities and Challenges for Librarians in Supporting the Next Generation of Korean Studies Scholars	May 21	Czech Republic	56

■ Korea Corner Program

Korean Corners Opened, 2012-2025



Support for Korea Corners (5 institutions in 5 countries)

Country	Institution
Tajikistan	National Library of Tajikistan
Malaysia	Malaysia-Korea Research Centre, University of Malaya
Viet Nam	University of Foreign Language Studies – University of Da Nang
Guatemala	University of San Carlos of Guatemala
Trinidad and Tobago	University of the West Indies, St. Augustine

※ The term "country" as used in this report is intended solely for statistical compilation and user convenience, and does not necessarily imply any political or sovereign status.

Global Networking

The KF expands its global cooperation network

The KF invites distinguished figures, next-generation leaders, and youth from around the world to Korea, presenting diverse aspects of Korean society and culture while offering opportunities for firsthand engagement.

Through visits to key institutions, meetings with prominent figures, and lectures, the KF promotes mutual understanding and builds people-to-people networks between Korea and the international community. Utilizing its international exchange networks and capacity, the KF also organizes the KF Global Challengers and KF Global Fellows programs to offer young Koreans a chance to prepare themselves to become leaders on the global stage. The KF additionally implements public diplomacy programs for the general Korean public and university students to increase their understanding of and participation in public diplomacy activities. And in order to expand global partnerships and increase cooperation, the KF also strengthens global partnerships by hosting bilateral and multilateral forums, public diplomacy seminars, and initiatives such as the Next Generation Policy Experts Network. Meanwhile, the Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat, established under the administration of the KF, strengthens practical, future-oriented, mutually beneficial partnerships based on trust between Korea and the five Central Asian countries.

Invitation Program for Distinguished Figures	
Next Generation Leaders · Youth Exchange Program	KF Global Challengers
Public Diplomacy Program for Korean Citizens	Forums and Seminars
Support for Policy-Oriented Research Program	Next Generation Policy Experts Network
Regional Strategic Program	Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat

Invitation Program for Distinguished Figures

Invitation by Field

Title	Period	Number of Invitees
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Parliament	Apr. 20-26	5
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Government Affairs	May 11-17	6
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Foreign Affairs and Security	May 25-31	7
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Business and Economic Affairs	Jun. 8-14	5
Invitation of Distinguished Figures from Strategic Regions (Saudi Arabia)	Jul. 1-3	3
Korea-Viet Nam Future-Oriented Exchange Program	Jul. 29-Aug. 2	11
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Media	Sept. 7-13	8
Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Arts and Culture	Sept. 21-27	5
Total		50



| 2025 Invitation of Distinguished Figures in Parliament



| 2025 Invitation of Distinguished Figures from Strategic Regions

Next Generation Leaders · Youth Exchange Program

Next Generation Leaders Program

Region	Title	Period	Number of Participants
Asia	Invitation Program for Indonesian Next Generation Journalist Network on Korea	May 18-24	17
Oceania	Korea-Australia Exchange for Next-Generation Leaders in Politics (visit to Australia)	Aug. 30-Sept. 6	5
Total			22

Youth Exchange Program

Region	Title	Period	Number of Participants
Asia	Korea-China Youth Exchange (visit to Korea)	Apr. 21-26	53
	Korea-Japan Youth Exchange (visit to Korea)	Oct. 10-18	30
	Korea-Japan Youth Exchange (visit to Japan)	Nov. 5-13	30
	Korea-Viet Nam Youth Leaders Exchange (government official/visit to Korea)	Sept. 14-23	29
	Korea-Viet Nam Youth Leaders Exchange (government official/visit to Viet Nam)	Nov. 2-8	15
Indo-Pacific	Public Diplomacy Camp (graduate students and youth from Australia, Japan, Korea, and New Zealand)	Jul. 20-24	16
Total			173

KF Global Challengers

■ KF Think Tank Internship (11 interns, including 5 from previous program, at 9 institutions in 5 countries)

Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns	Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns
U.S.	RAND Corporation	1	Uzbekistan	Institute for Advanced International Studies	1
	Center for Strategic and International Studies	2	Canada	Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada	2
	National Bureau of Asian Research	1	Germany	Agora Energiewende	1
	Atlantic Council	1	Sweden	Stockholm International Peace Research Institute	1
	Hudson Institute	1			

■ KF Museum Internship (11 interns, including 4 from previous program, at 8 institutions in 2 countries)

Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns	Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns
U.S.	Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, University of Oregon	2	U.S.	Art Institute of Chicago	1
	Metropolitan Museum of Art	2		Peabody Essex Museum	1
	Museum of Fine Arts, Boston	1	U.K.	Victoria and Albert Museum	2
	National Museum of Asian Art, Smithsonian Institution	1		British Museum	1

■ KF Library Internship (13 interns, including 7 from previous program, at 9 institutions in 2 countries)

Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns	Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns
U.S.	Center for Korean Studies Library, University of Hawaii at Manoa	2	U.S.	Asia Library, University of Michigan	1
	Hamilton Library, University of Hawaii at Manoa	1		East Asian Collection, University of Chicago	1
	C.V. Starr East Asian Library, Columbia Library	2		East Asian Library, Washington University in St. Louis	1
	East Asian Library, University of California, Los Angeles	1	France	Institute of Korean Studies Library, Collège de France	2
	Langson Library, University of California, Irvine	2			

■ KF International Organization Internship (4 interns at 2 institutions in 2 countries)

Country	Host Institution	Number of Interns
Belgium	European Parliament	2
Austria	Salzburg Global Seminar	2



| 2025 KF Global Challengers Information Session



| 2025 KF Global Challengers Alumni Night

KF Global Fellows

Title	Details	Period	Number of Participants
KF Global Fellows	Overseas training programs for Korean next-generation STEM scholars to support research and global networking (Abu Dhabi and Dubai, UAE; Hanoi, Vietnam; Singapore), as well as a domestic mentoring roundtable to share outcomes	Apr.–Dec. (overseas training: May 4–14)	10

Public Diplomacy Programs for Korean Citizens

■ Public Diplomacy Academy (for universities)

To promote public diplomacy education and research at Korean universities, the KF provides support for the opening of regular public diplomacy courses and outreach programs.



Public Diplomacy Academy (for citizens)

To raise awareness of public diplomacy, the KF offers public diplomacy lectures and programs for Korean citizens.

Title	Title	Period
1	Workshop for International Exchange Coordinators (2-day intensive education program)	Jun. 25-26
2	Public Diplomacy Academy Program for Local Government Staff (in cooperation with Gyeongju City and Sejong City)	Aug. 12 & Sept. 4
3	KF Visiting Program (for general public and youth in cooperation with ROK Ministry of Education)	17 cases from Apr. to Dec.



Workshop for International Exchange Coordinators (in Gyeongju)

Public Diplomacy Week

The KF hosts Public Diplomacy Week events to present a comprehensive series of public diplomacy activities and achievements in one place, thereby enhancing the Korean people's understanding of public diplomacy. In 2025, the KF organized the 7th Public Diplomacy Week under the theme "Connecting the World Together" at the KF Global Center for 20 days from September 8 through 27, in commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the opening of the center.

* Detailed information is available at blog.naver.com/pdweek.

Category	Major Events	Category	Major Events
Preliminary Events 1 (Seoul Friendship Festival)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KF-Public Diplomacy Week PR Booth Exhibition of posters and photos compiled since the first Public Diplomacy Week Introduction of KF Metaverse experience and exhibitions Receipt photo booth event 	Preliminary Events 2 (Seoul Outdoor Library)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Diplomacy Week program PR Booth Central Asian children's books read by diplomats from Kazakhstan and Tajikistan Reading of books recommended by foreign embassies, receipt photo booth event, KOREANA event, etc.
Embassy Tour (invitation from embassies)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (May 23) Embassy of Canada in Seoul: Tour of major spots within the embassy, introduction to artworks (in commemoration of Korea-Canada Year of Cultural Exchanges) (Jun. 27) Cervantes Institute in Seoul: Lecture on Korea-Spain relations and public diplomacy, introduction to the institute (in commemoration of 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Korea and Spain) (Jul. 29) Embassy of Italy and Italian Institute of Culture in Seoul: Introduction to the embassy and the institute, lecture on Korea-Italy relations and public diplomacy (in commemoration of Korea-Italy Year of Cultural Exchange) (Aug. 21) Embassy of Egypt in Seoul: Introduction to the embassy, explanation of Korea-Egypt relations, calligraphy event (in commemoration of 30th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Korea and Egypt) 		
Opening Ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening and congratulatory remarks Opening performance (O_reum_sae Band) Docent tour of <i>Seoul Wave, Resonant Encounter</i> exhibition 	Special Exhibitions in Celebration of 20th Anniversary of KF Gallery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Every Encounter, A Weaving of Waves</i> exhibition at KF Gallery <i>Seoul Wave, Resonant Encounter</i> exhibition at Gwanggyo Gallery
Public Diplomacy Talks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (SDGs): "Bees Connecting the Earth, Public Diplomacy Connecting People" lecture by Ewha Womans University Chair Professor Choe Jae Chun and Slovenian Ambassador to Korea H.E. Jernej Müller (Science & Technology): "Beyond Creativity" lecture by KAIST Professor Kang Yiyun (Hangeul): "Several Ways to Write Hangeul" lecture by Seoul Women's University Professor Min Bon (Art) Artist lecture: "La Reconquista" with Kim Hwia 	Public Diplomacy for Youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Experience Korea, Expanded" (program in cooperation with Korea JoongAng Daily K-Campus for foreign students studying in Korea) Presentations by Public Diplomacy Academy attendees KF Global Fellows Roundtable KF Global Challengers program briefing KF Global Challengers Alumni Night "Youth Meets the Global Stage" (introduction to international organizations and international career exploration/dispatch programs)
Programs in Cooperation with Foreign Embassies in Seoul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Performances: 6 cases, 6 countries) Performances and workshops organized by foreign embassies in Seoul (Children's book readings: 16 cases, 14 countries) Children's book readings by ambassadors to Korea or their wives in their own language (Film screenings: 15 cases, 15 countries) Screenings of films recommended by foreign diplomatic missions in Seoul (Workshops: 7 cases, 7 countries) Workshops offering first-hand experience of other countries' culture 		

Metaverse Streaming (online)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KF Global Fellows Roundtable / Sept. 25-30 KF Global Challengers Recruitment Briefing / Oct. 1-23 "Several Ways to Write Hangeul," lecture by Seoul Women's University Professor Min Bon / Nov. 6-25 "La Reconquista," talk with artist Kim Hwia / Nov. 26-Dec. 21
Participating Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 international organizations and relevant organizations at home and abroad: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, International Committee of the Red Cross, Korea-Africa Foundation, Korea International Cooperation Agency, Korea JoongAng Daily K-Campus, Korea SMEs and Startups Agency, National Institute for International Education, Seoul Metropolitan Government, Seoul Metropolitan Library, Seoul Tourism Organization, UN Human Rights Office, and UN Women 32 foreign diplomatic missions in Korea: The Embassies of Argentina, Brunei, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Czech Republic (Czech Centre Seoul), the Dominican Republic, Egypt, Greece, India (Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre), Iran, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Malaysia (Malaysia Tourism Promotion Board), Myanmar, the Netherlands, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Rwanda, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain (Cervantes Institute of Culture), Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkiye (Yunus Emre Institute), the United States, and Uzbekistan to the Republic of Korea



Opening Ceremony, 7th Public Diplomacy Week



Performance and Workshop with Colombian Artists, 7th Public Diplomacy Week

Forums and Seminars

Bilateral and Multilateral Forums

No.	Title	Period	Location	Number of Participants
1	11th Korea-China Public Diplomacy Forum	Feb. 24-26	China	Korea (8), China (11)
2	7th Korea-Singapore Forum	Apr. 17	Singapore	Korea (12), Singapore (18)
3	33rd Korea-Japan Forum (11th Korea-Japan Junior Forum)	Aug. 18-20 (Aug. 11)	Korea	Korea (39), Japan (27) (Korea (10), Japan (9))
4	1st KF-USSC Indo-Pacific Security Dialogue	Aug. 27	Australia	Korea (7), Australia (11), Japan (2), New Zealand (2), US (2), Canada (2), EU (4) (Observers: 25)
5	4th Korea-Australia Future Forum (2nd Korea-Australia Future Youth Forum)	Aug. 28 (Aug. 27)	Australia	Korea (17), Australia (29) (Korea (13), Australia (13))
6	23rd Korea-Germany Forum (13th Korea-Germany Junior Forum)	Sept. 10-12 (Sept.10-12)	Korea	Korea (24), Germany (23) (Korea (25), Germany (25))
7	11th Korea-Russia Humanities Exchange Forum	Dec. 5	Russia	Korea (10), Russia (10)
8	24th Korea-India Strategic Dialogue	Dec. 18-19	Korea	Korea (24), India (9)



| 7th Korea-Singapore Forum



| 23rd Korea-Germany Forum

Public Diplomacy Seminars

No.	Title	Period	Location	Details
1	7th NEAR-KF Korea-China-Japan Seoul Process	Jun. 9-10	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF and NEAR Foundation Number of Participants: 24 Details: Seminar on strategic perspectives and cooperation among Korea, China, and Japan in response to emerging diplomatic, security, and economic challenges in Northeast Asia
2	KF Session at 2025 Jeju Forum ①	May 29	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, International Peace Foundation, and East Asia Foundation Number of Participants: 72 Details: Presentations by experts from academia, the ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the private sector to explore the major achievements, roles, and future directions of youth public diplomacy initiatives
3	KF Session at 2025 Jeju Forum ②	May 29	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF, Global Innovation Studies, and ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs Number of Participants: 50 Details: Discussion on strategic cooperation with leading Asian countries in response to changing international trade and security order following the beginning of the second Trump administration
4	Deepening Global Security Challenges and Korea-Japan-China Cooperation	Jun. 25-27	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF and Korean Association of International Studies Number of Participants: 45 Details: Conference on Korea-Japan-China cooperation mechanisms for addressing challenges in Northeast Asia, and Korea's constructive role as it advances towards G9 status.
5	Korea-Japan Vision 2030 Group	Feb. 2024-Dec. 2025	Korea and Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF, NEAR Foundation, and Nakasone Peace Institute Number of Participants: 20 Details: Seminars in Seoul and Tokyo among Korean and Japanese experts to discuss stable and friendly cooperative relations between the two countries and publication of discussion results

No.	Title	Period	Location	Details
6	Trilateral Visionary Group (TVG)	Jun. 29-30	Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizer: Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS) Hosts: KF and China Public Diplomacy Association Number of Participants: 14 (5 each from Korea and Japan, 4 from China) Details: Meeting of former high-ranking officials, scholars, and policy experts from Korea, China, and Japan to discuss cooperation in politics, business, society, and culture, and the submission of policy reports to respective governments
7	Korea-Japan Joint Work on the World 2050	Mar. 2024-Feb. 2025	Korea and Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizers: KF, East Asia Institute, and Asia Pacific Initiative Number of Participants: 13 (7 from Korea, 6 from Japan) Details: Forums in Seoul and Tokyo to define and discuss how to solve mutual issues for the future, and publication of joint research reports

Support for Policy-Oriented Research Program

Support for Policy-Oriented Research Program (U.S. Only)

No.	Institution	Research Project Title
1	Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI)	Building Trade Ties with Korea's Next Generation of Female Negotiators
2	Atlantic Council	ROK-US Alliance Trans-Atlantic-Pacific Security Forum
3	Ban Ki-moon Foundation (BKMF)	Emerging Policy Leaders for the SDGs
4	Brookings Institution	The Future of U.S. Alliances in Asia and South Korea's Regional Strategy
5	Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (CEIP)	The Role of Defense Technologies in Assessing Korea's Military Capabilities, Arms Exports and Defense Cooperation Potentials: The Case of Korea's Growing Ties With NATO
6	Center for a New American Security (CNAS)	Opportunities and Obstacles to U.S.-ROK Economic Security Cooperation

No.	Institution	Research Project Title
7	Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)	Charting a New Pathway for Korea–Japan Bilateral Relations in Commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of the Normalization of ROK–Japan Relations
8		2024–2025 CSIS–USC U.S.–Korea NextGen Scholars Program (Year Two)
9		ROK–U.S. Strategic Forum 2025
10	Chicago Council on Global Affairs (CCGA)	2025 Chicago Council Survey with a Special Focus on the Korea–US Relationship
11	Foreign Policy Association (FPA)	U.S.–R.O.K. Comprehensive Strategic Alliance Trajectories, Priorities of South Korea, and the New U.S. Administration
12	Korea Society	Enhancing the U.S. Understanding of Korea
13	Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation (MMMF)	2025 Bridging the Divide
14	National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR)	Next Generation Leaders Program: U.S.–Korea Discourse in 2025
15	National Committee on American Foreign Policy (NCAFP)	Cultivating the Next Generation of Korean Peninsula Specialists
16	National Endowment for Democracy (NED)	South Korea’s Leadership in Democratic Governance of Digital Technology in the Indo–Pacific
17	New York University (NYU)	KAIST–NYU International Digital Governance Summit Pathway Towards a Global Framework
18	RAND Corporation	2025 RAND–Korea Foundation Forum: China and the Emerging Russia–North Korea Alliance
19	Stimson Center	Countering AI Disinformation: Implications for the US–ROK Alliance
20	The Leland Stanford Junior University	Geopolitics of Technology in East Asia: Research and Workshop
21	Institute for Indo–Pacific Security (IIPS)	Elevating South Korea’s Role in the Regional Space Ecosystem
22	University of Notre Dame	Workshop on AI Ethics and Policy in Korea
23	US–Asia Institute (USAI)	US–ROK–Japan Trilateral Study Group

Support for Policy-Oriented Research Program (Non-U.S.)

No.	Country	Institution	Research Project Title
1	Netherlands	The Hague Center for Strategic Studies (HCSS)	ROK–NL Forum 2025
2	Germany	German Institute for International Security Affairs (SWP)	Bilateral Relations in Transition: The Roles of Germany and the ROK in their Respective Diversification Strategies
3		Interface	ROK–EU Cooperation on Green Chip Production
4	Malaysia	Monash University Malaysia, Southeast Asia Research Centre for Digital Tech and Society	Digital Technologies as Actors of Public Diplomacy
5		Department of East Asian Studies, Universiti Malaya	Exploring ASEAN–ROK Cooperation in Food Security: Development, Challenges and Prospects
6	Belgium	Centre for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy, Vrije Universiteit Brussel (CSDS–VUB)	Strategic Futures: The Korean Peninsula and Euro–Atlantic and Indo–Pacific Security
7	Brazil	Center for Development and Regional Planning, Federal University of Minas Gerais (CEDEPLAR UFMG)	The Competition Between Korea, China, and the USA in Latin American Markets: An Analysis Based on Comparative Advantages Matrices
8		Getulio Vargas Foundation (FGV)	Role and Positions of Brazil and South Korea at the G20 Summits: A Comparative Analysis to Chart a Cooperation Path Forward
9	Sweden	Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)	Nuclear Risk Reduction and Regional Security in the Korean Peninsula: Lessons from Past Confidence–Building Efforts
10		Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP)	Nordic Korea Hub for Security and Development Research
11		Center for Asian Studies, Stockholm School of Economics (CAS)	Green Economy Readiness: Driving Green Economy Transition through Korean Multinational Companies and Policy Interaction in Korea–EU Business Relations
12	Switzerland	Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD)	Northeast Asian Expert Meeting for Responsible Use of AI in the Military Domain: ROK–Japanese Cooperation
13	Spain	Elcano Royal Institute for International and Strategic Studies (RIE)	Korea and the Reform of Global Governance: Opportunities for Cooperation with the EU and Spain

No.	Country	Institution	Research Project Title
14	Slovakia	Adapt Institute	Automotive Industry's Digital Transformation, Software-Defined Vehicles and Cybersecurity: Emerging Trends (and Threats)? Focus on Slovakia in Cooperation with ROK
15	Singapore	Singapore Institute of International Affairs (SIIA)	The 17th ASEAN and Asia Forum in Partnership with the 4th Conference of the Asian Council of Economic Policy
16	UK	Royal Institute of International Affairs (RIIA)	Korea Foundation Korea Fellow
17		Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies (RUSI)	Understanding Proliferation Risks of a Stronger Russia-North Korea Relationship
18	Austria	PAX Sapiens Austria	Evaluating and Mitigating Environmental Risks Associated with the DPRK's Nuclear Program
19	Uzbekistan	Institute for Advanced International Studies at the University of World Economy and Diplomacy (IAIS)	Contextualizing Central Asian migration to East Asia: Comparative Analysis of Uzbek Migration to South Korea and Japan
20	Canada & Italy	(Canada) Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) (Italy) Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)	2025 ROK-G7 Cooperation Forum
21	Italy	Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)	Multilateralism at a Turning Point: The ROK and Its Engagement with the G7
22		European University Institute (EUI)	EUI-Korea Forum (EUI-KF): En Route to Liberal Resilience? Contending Minilateralism
23	India	Mahatma Gandhi University	Understanding International Order Transition and Peaceful Change in the Indo-Pacific Perspectives from Middle Powers
24		Council for Strategic and Defense Research (CSDR)	ROK Chair at CSDR
25	Indonesia	Center of East Asia Studies, Department of International Relations, University of Muhammadiyah Malang (CEAS UMM)	Exploring Potential Cooperation between Indonesia and South Korea in Developing Regional Maritime Paradiplomacy Network
26	Japan	University of Tokyo	Research on Enhancement of Public Understanding of the History of Korea-Japan Relations: Practice Analysis and Proposal for Improvement
27		Research Center for Korean Studies, Kyushu University	Comprehensive Policy Research for Development of Multilateral and Multi-Faceted Korea-Japan Relations

No.	Country	Institution	Research Project Title
28	Japan	KEIO Center for Contemporary Korean Studies	Korea-Japan Relations in Indo-Pacific Era: Building Sustainable Relations and Strengthening Korea-U.S.-Japan Relations
29		Center for East Asia Peace and Cooperation Studies, Ritsumeikan University	Research on Korea-Japan Cooperation after 60 Years of Diplomatic Relations and in an Era of Uncertainty in Northeast Asia
30	China	Center for Korean Studies, Shanghai Jiao Tong University	Utilization of Public-Private Government Funds and Market Mechanisms in Venture Startups: Policy Comparison and Cooperation Between Korea and China
31		East China University of Science and Technology (ECUST)	A Study on Chinese-Korean AI Safety Governance Model Comparison and Cooperation
32	Czech Republic	European Values Center for Security Policy (EVC)	Korea-Europe Strategic Alignment: Policy Simulation of East Asia Crisis to Increase EU, NATO and ROK Resilience
33	Canada	Canadian Global Affairs Institute (CGAI)	Expanding Korea-Canada Defence Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific
34	Kyrgyzstan	National Institute of Strategic Initiatives under the President of the Kyrgyz Republic (NIS)	Assessing the Potential of E-commerce (Central Asia + South Korea format)
35	Thailand	Institute of East Asian Studies, Thammasat University	ACMECS Centrality in Mekong Minilateralism: Policy Implications and Recommendations for Korea
36	Poland	The Casimir Pulaski Foundation (CPF)	Establishment of Korea Fellow Position: Focused on Korea-Related Research
37	France	Foundation for Strategic Research (FRS)	FRS-KF Korea Program on Security and Diplomacy - Phase 8 Facing a Turbulent Era
38	Hungary	National Archives of Hungary (MNL)	Archiving Korean-related Materials at National Archives of Hungary (Focusing on Documents of Foreign Affairs)
39	Australia	University of Sydney	Korea's Indo-Pacific and National Security Strategies, and the Prospects for ROK-ASEAN Cooperation in Critical Technologies
40		Korea Research Initiatives (KRI), University of New South Wales (UNSW)	The 2025 International Public Policy Symposium of Korea-ASEAN Community of Policy Exchange: Aligning Korea's Strategy with ASEAN Community Vision 2045 as a Comprehensive Strategic Partner of ASEAN

Next Generation Policy Experts Network

No.	Country	Institution	Title
1	Myanmar	Myanmar–Korea Centre for International Studies at the University of Yangon, Myanmar (KIS)	Training and Network–building for Next Generation Policy Experts in Myanmar
2	Sweden	Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP)	Nordic – Korea Next Generation Policy Experts Program
3	Indonesia	Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Universitas Indonesia (FISIP UI)	Indonesia–Korea Social & Humanities Research Apprenticeship 2025
4	Japan	KEIO Center for Contemporary Korean Studies	2025 Policy Experts Network Program
5	China	Central South University (CSU)	Korea–China Public Policy Experts Research Network
6	Chile	Pontifical University of Chile (UC Chile)	Following the Korean Experience: Next Generation Technology and Security Policy Experts in Chile
7	Philippines	Korea Research Center, University of the Philippines (UP KRC)	Korea–Philippines Next Generation Koreanists Exchanges, Collaborations & Trainings (KONECT)



Research Workshop & Roundtable Discussion – Indonesia–Korea Social & Humanities Research Apprenticeship 2025



Keio Center for Contemporary Korean Studies Next–Generation Policy Experts Visit Korea

Regional Strategic Program

Country	Title	Details
U.S.	Development of Teaching Materials and Visit Korea Program for U.S. Teachers 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Period: Mar. 1, 2025–Feb. 28, 2026 • Details: Development of teaching materials and organization of teacher training program, including a visit to Korea
	Operation of Korean Program Endowment at Asia Society Policy Institute (ASPI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Period: Jan.1–Dec. 31 • Details: Seminars on the Korea–U.S. alliance



Discover Korea Research Visit Fellowship 2025



The U.S.–ROK Alliance in 2025 and Global Implications

Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat

The Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum Secretariat provides support for the efficient execution of the Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum, a regular multilateral consultative channel, as well as for the systematic implementation of projects discussed at the forum. Through these efforts, the Secretariat contributes to expanding reciprocal cooperation between forum members and enhances practical, future-oriented, and beneficial cooperation based on mutual trust between Korea and the five Central Asian countries: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

■ Core Projects

Title	Period	Location	Details
[Transportation and Logistics] Korea-Kyrgyzstan Transportation Cooperation Seminar	Jan. 21	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Cooperating Organization: Seoul Institute • Participants: 23 transportation officials from Bishkek City Government, Kyrgyzstan and ITS experts from Korea • Details: Sharing of ITS trends and discussion on need for and ways of cooperation in ITS between Korea and Kyrgyzstan
[Energy] Korea-Central Asia Next Generation Leaders Network	Jun. 22-28	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Cooperating Organizations: Korea Energy Agency and Korea District Heating Corp. • Details: Invitation of energy experts from the five Central Asian countries to build cooperative network in new renewable energy and energy efficiency areas, and lay the foundation for technology exchange and cooperation discussions
[Industrial Modernization and Diversification] Korea-Central Asia Business Council	Year-round	Korea and Central Asia (online)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member Organizations: KF, Korea International Trade Association, and the Chambers of Commerce of the 5 Central Asian countries • Details: Organization of 6th annual conference and discussion on economic cooperation between Korea and Central Asia in an era of AI and digital transformation
[Industrial Modernization and Diversification] Workshop for Exchange and Cooperation between Korean Local Governments and Central Asia	Jun. 26-27	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and Governors Association of the Republic of Korea • Participants: 32 from 26 local autonomous organizations • Details: Workshop to lay the foundation for exchange with Central Asia and provide basic information on the region to working-level staff at Korean local governments
[Climate Change and Environment] Workshop for Specialists on Smart Water Management from Central Asia	Sept. 7-13	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and UNESCO International Center for Water Security and Sustainable Management (i-WSSM) • Participants: 9 experts in water resources from the 5 Central Asian countries • Details: Sharing of Korea's water management knowledge and technology development experiences, thereby building a cooperative network and contributing to solutions for Central Asia's water resource issues
[Health and Medical Services] Korean Medicine Policy Training in Korea	Sept. 7-13	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and National Institute for Korean Medicine Development • Number of Participants: 7 from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan • Details: Sharing of traditional Korean medicine-related policy and system, and arrangement of visits to relevant institutions and facilities to support the development of Central Asia's traditional medicine and increase international awareness of traditional Korean medicine

[Education] Eurasia Youth Academy	Mar.-Nov.	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and Hyundai Research Institute • Details: Education program for young Koreans to deepen their global competence and knowledge of Eurasia/Central Asia, thereby fostering area specialists through courses on languages and basic and advanced understanding of Central Asia, and overseas training program in 3 Central Asian countries
[Culture] Central Asia Day during 7th Public Diplomacy Week	Sept. 14	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Details: Central Asia Day events during the KF's 7th Public Diplomacy Week, including film screenings, reading of children's books, and performances, to introduce the cultures of the five Central Asian countries to the Korean public
[Culture] Performance Tour in Celebration of 2025 Korea-Central Asia Culture Day	Oct. 4 and 6	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and Asian Cultural Center (ACC) • Details: Performance by traditional performance troupes from the five Central Asian countries held in Gwangju and Seoul
[Tourism] Central Asian Session at 1st Global City Tourism Summit	Oct. 28	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and Tourism Promotion Organization for Global Cities (TPO) • Details: Discussion on how to increase policy exchange and joint cooperation in tourism between Korea and the 5 Central Asian countries

■ Secretariat-Initiated Programs

Title	Period	Location	Details
2nd Korea-Central Asia Think Tank Forum	Jun. 13	Kyrgyzstan (Bishkek)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizers: KF and National Institute for Strategic Initiatives under the President of the Kyrgyz Republic • Details: Meeting of think tanks from Korea and strategic studies institutes under the 5 Central Asian countries' presidential offices and foreign affairs ministries to discuss the future direction of Korea-Central Asia cooperation and explore new cooperative agendas and policies
Korea-Central Asia Policy Talks (ICT Education)	Aug. 29	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Details: Experts meeting to discuss various issues faced by Korea and the Central Asian countries, share relevant knowledge, promote exchange, and map out policy alternatives
Resident Fellowship Program	Year-round	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Details: Diplomats and foreign affairs officials from the 5 Central Asian countries invited to Korea to assist in implementing the Secretariat's various cooperative projects, develop new projects, and participate in public diplomacy activities utilizing the Secretariat website • Participating countries: 5 Central Asian countries (Fellows from 4 countries are currently in Korea under this program.)
Secretariat Website Operation and Maintenance	Year-round	Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizer: KF • Details: Provision of general information about Central Asia to the Korean public, including the latest news on trends in politics, society, and the cultures of each Central Asian country, columns by specialists, and Korea-Central Asia Cooperation Forum-related information and events

Support for Cultural Exchange

The KF connects Korea and the world through culture.

The KF organizes various arts and cultural exchange programs, including performances and special lectures abroad, to share Korean culture around the world. The KF also enhances sustainable understanding of Korea through support for Korea-related exhibitions and endowed curatorships at prominent overseas museums. In addition, The KF publishes and distributes *Koreana*, a quarterly magazine in foreign languages that offers in-depth coverage of Korean arts and culture. The KF Global Center hosts cultural exchange programs, enabling Koreans and foreign residents in Korea to understand and enjoy global cultures. The KF ASEAN Culture House operates a variety of cultural exchange programs to promote bilateral international exchange between Korea and the ASEAN member states.



Korean Arts and Cultural Exchange

In cooperation with relevant organizations, the KF organizes various Korean arts and cultural events to introduce Korea to participants around the globe. By hosting lectures overseas for university students and the public, the KF stimulates interest in research on Korean arts and culture and helps lay the groundwork for nurturing the next generation of Korean experts.

2025 KF LAB Series (“Lectures on Arts and Beyond”)

Country	Location	Period
Australia	University of New South Wales	Aug. 21
	The University of Melbourne	Aug. 25-26
	Monash University	Aug. 26
Singapore	Nanyang Technological University	Aug. 28
U.K.	SOAS University of London	Nov. 12
	University of Sheffield	Nov. 13
U.S.	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Nov. 12
	The Korea Society	Nov. 17
	The Institute of Fine Arts, New York University	Nov. 18-19



| School of the Art Institute of Chicago



| SOAS University of London



| The University of Melbourne



| Nanyang Technological University

Support for Overseas Museums

Support for Korea-Related Exhibitions

The Korea Foundation provides support to prominent museums abroad for Korea-related exhibitions and cultural and educational programs, introducing diverse aspects of Korea to international audiences and offering opportunities to experience Korean culture.

Country	Title	Period
U.S.	<i>Do Ho Suh: Public Figures</i> at Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art	Apr. 27, 2024–Apr. 29, 2029
	<i>The Genesis Façade Commission: Lee Bul, Long Tail Halo</i> at the Metropolitan Museum of Art	Sept. 12, 2024–Jun. 10, 2025
	<i>Christine Sun Kim: All Day All Night</i> at the Whitney Museum of American Art	Feb. 8–Sept. 21
	<i>Director's Inspiration: Bong Joon Ho</i> at the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures	Mar. 23, 2025–Jan. 10, 2027
U.K.	<i>Haegue Yang: Leap Year</i> at Hayward Gallery, Southbank Centre	Oct. 9, 2024–Jan. 5, 2025
Italy	<i>The Rabbit Inhabits the Moon</i> at Museum of Oriental Art, Turin	Oct. 18, 2024–Mar. 23, 2025
Germany	<i>100 Ideas of Happiness: Art Treasures from Korea</i> at the Staatliche Kunstsammlungen Dresden	Mar. 15–Aug. 10



Installation view of *Haegue Yang: Leap Year*, 2024. Photo: Mark Blower. Courtesy the artist and the Hayward Gallery.

2025 Workshop for Korean Art Curators: Chicago

The KF and the Art Institute of Chicago co-organized the "2025 Workshop for Korean Art Curators: Chicago" on June 17 and 18. Korean art curators and academic experts based in the United States attended the workshop to share information on the status of institutional Korean collections, participated in roundtable discussions about challenges and tasks in expanding Korean art in the U.S., and toured the Korean art collection and an exhibition on Korean ceramics at the Art Institute of Chicago. The workshop served as an occasion to strengthen a network of Korean art experts in the U.S., contributing to the more active introduction of Korean art in North America.



2025 Workshop for Korean Art Curators: Chicago

2025 Korean Art Workshop for Overseas Curators - "Curating Korea 2025"

The KF organized the 2025 Korean Art Workshop for Overseas Curators - "Curating Korea 2025" in Seoul from September 8 through 12, which focused on modern and contemporary art. Modern and contemporary art curators and experts from 13 prominent institutions in 10 countries participated, attending special lectures on the history and status of modern and contemporary Korean art, interdisciplinary arts, fine-art photography, and other topics. They visited the Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea; the Photography Seoul Museum of Art; the Leeum Museum of Art; the Kukje Gallery; and the National Museum of Korea to enhance their multidimensional understanding of the Korean art scene and build a network with Korean counterparts. In addition, they met with prominent contemporary Korean artists, including Ayoung KIM, LEE Bul, and Yeondoo JUNG, and explored their creative practices and artistic worlds. By organizing the workshop at a time when contemporary Korean art is attracting greater attention at home and abroad, the KF contributed to strengthening the foundation for practical exchange and cooperation between overseas curators and Korean art-related institutions and experts.



2025 Korean Art Workshop for Overseas Curators - "Curating Korea 2025"



■ Support for Establishment of Endowed Curatorship for Korean Art at Overseas Museums

To encourage prestigious museums around the world to more proactively introduce Korean art, the KF launched its "Support for Establishment of Endowed Curatorship for Korean Art at Overseas Museums" program in 2019. Under the program, the KF and grant recipient museums jointly create an endowment for three to five years, enabling the museums to retain a permanent curatorial position in charge of Korean art collections with investment income from the endowment. The first KF Endowed Curatorship for Korean Art was established at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in September 2023, the second at the Cleveland Museum of Art in November 2023, the third at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art in 2024, and the fourth at the Art Institute of Chicago in 2025. Since 2024, the KF has been working on creating an additional endowment with the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

Publications on Korea

■ Publication of *Koreana* Magazine

First published in 1987, *Koreana* is a quarterly magazine that introduces Korean arts and culture. In addition to themed special feature articles unique to each issue, the magazine covers various aspects of Korea, including daily life, culture, history, literature, and cuisine. The 2025 issues focused on Gyeongju, Ulleungdo, Mokpo, and Paju, offering an in-depth introduction to Korea's regional life and culture. *Koreana* is available electronically via www.koreana.or.kr and platforms such as issuu.com.

* Paperback: English / Webzine: Korean, English

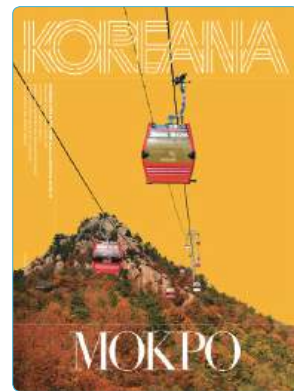
2025 Issues of *Koreana*



| Spring: Gyeongju



| Summer: Ulleungdo



| Autumn: Mokpo



| Winter: Paju

KF Global Center

Located in downtown Seoul, the KF Global Center carries out cultural exchange programs that enable Koreans and citizens of other countries to better understand one another. These efforts include exhibitions, performances, and educational programs, held in cooperation with foreign embassies in Korea, relevant domestic and overseas organizations, and local governments. In addition, the KF Global Center organizes public diplomacy programs such as Public Diplomacy Academy and Public Diplomacy Week to help the Korean public gain a better understanding of public diplomacy and participate in relevant activities. The KF Global Center also organizes the KF Global Challengers program to provide talented Koreans with opportunities to participate in internship programs around the world.

KF Global Arts

Through exhibitions, performances, and academic events in cooperation with foreign diplomatic missions in Korea and relevant organizations at home and abroad, the KF implements its KF Global Arts programs to enable the public to better understand global arts and culture. The KF also offers a variety of art and cultural events in various regions of Korea in cooperation with local governments and international exchange organizations as part of its efforts to improve cultural exchange across the country.

■ KF Gallery & KF XR Gallery

Serving as a cultural space to introduce arts and culture from around the world, the KF Gallery provides the public with an opportunity to enjoy cultural programs, including exhibitions and related performances and lectures, organized in cooperation with foreign diplomatic missions in Korea and various international exchange organizations. The KF XR Gallery showcases immersive digital works based on new technology (media art, VR, AR, XR, holograms, and AI) to provide digital public diplomacy experiences.

■ Exhibitions

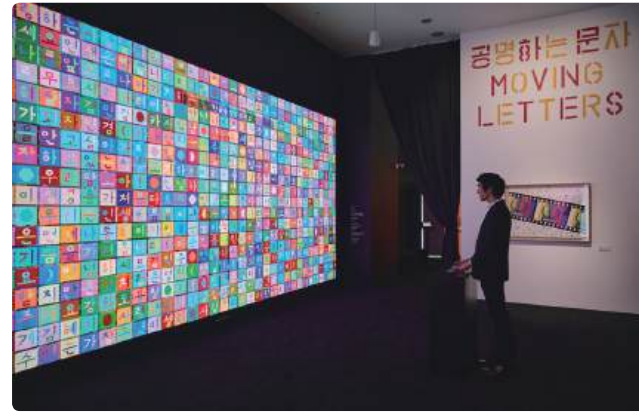
KF Gallery Exhibitions (6 exhibitions with 5 countries)

No.	Title	Organizer	Outline	Period	Venue
1	<i>MOSAICO: Italian Code of a Timeless Art</i>	KF, Embassy of Italy in Seoul, and Italian Cultural Institute in Seoul	Media art exhibition featuring mosaic works, Italy's cultural heritage, in commemoration of the 140th anniversary of Korea-Italy diplomatic relations	Nov. 15, 2024–Feb. 28, 2025	KF Gallery
2	<i>A Sombre Aspect</i>	KF and Embassy of Peru in Seoul	Exhibition to introduce Peruvian photographer	March 27–May 16	KF Gallery
3	<i>Rubik 80/50: Fifty Years of Magic</i>	KF; Embassy of Hungary in Seoul; Hungarian Cultural Center Seoul, Korea; and Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design (MOME)	Exhibition to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the invention of the Rubik's Cube and the 80th birthday of its creator Ernő Rubik, with a focus on the cube's origin as one of Hungary's innovative inventions	May 29–Aug. 8	KF Gallery
4	(KF Global Center 20th Anniversary Exhibition) <i>Every Encounter, a Weaving of Waves</i>	KF	KF Global Center 20th Anniversary Exhibition to examine the meaning of communication pursued by the KF through the works of three contemporary artists	Sept. 1–30	KF Gallery

5	(KF Global Center 20th Anniversary Exhibition) <i>Seoul Wave, Resonant Encounter</i>	KF and Seoul Tourism Organization	Exhibition held under Gwanggyo Bridge at Cheongyecheon, featuring "Cheonggye Swing," a work commissioned by the KF to effectively show the 20-year history of the KF Gallery	Sept. 8-21	Gwanggyo Gallery
6	<i>Whispering of Vanishing Ice</i>	KF and Embassy of Estonia in Seoul	Exhibition to introduce Estonian artist Jaanika Peerna's drawing and installation works on the climate crisis and melting glaciers	Nov. 13, 2025-Feb. 6, 2026	KF Gallery



| KF Global Center 20th Anniversary Exhibition *Seoul Wave, Resonant Encounter*



| KF XR Special Exhibition *Moving Letters* (in commemoration of 80th anniversary of Korea's liberation)

■ Fostering Public Diplomacy Digital Contents

KF Global Center Metaverse and KF XR Gallery Exhibitions (8 exhibitions)

No.	Title	Organizer	Period	Venue	Remarks
1	KF Global Center Metaverse	KF	Year-round	Online (www.kf.or.kr/metaverse)	
2	KF XR Special Exhibition <i>Unlocking Time</i>	KF in cooperation with Embassy of Colombia in Seoul, Korea Heritage Service, Korea Heritage Agency, Seoul Museum of Art, National Asian Culture Center, SONGEUN Art and Cultural Foundation, and KAIST	Sept. 27, 2024-Feb. 21, 2025	KF XR Gallery	Immersive exhibition to explore time and history from a virtual perspective
3	KF XR Special Exhibition <i>Moving Letters</i>	KF in cooperation with Embassy of Uruguay in Seoul, Korean Cultural Center New York, National Hangeul Museum, and Nam June Paik Cultural Foundation	Mar. 31-Sept. 12	KF XR Gallery	Exhibition on Hangeul from a global perspective in commemoration of 80th anniversary of Korea's liberation
4	KF XR Special Exhibition <i>Platform: Still Human</i>	KF in cooperation with Ministry of Culture and National Heritage of the Republic of Poland, Adam Mickiewicz Institute, Korea National University of Arts, and KAIST XD Lab	Sept. 30, 2025-Feb. 27, 2026	KF XR Gallery	Exhibition to examine rapidly changing digital environment and pursue universal human values
5	2025 Hangeul International Pre-Biennale	Sejong City and Sejong Culture and Tourism Foundation in cooperation with KF and National Hangeul Museum	Sept. 1-Oct. 12	Jochiwon 1927 Art Center, Sejong	KF XR Gallery Special Exhibition <i>Moving Letters</i> held at Hangeul International Pre-Biennale as a traveling exhibition
6	DDP Media Art Exhibition <i>Future City Seoul</i>	Seoul Metropolitan Government and Seoul Design Foundation in cooperation with KF	Nov. 29, 2024-Apr. 1, 2025	DDP Design Lab	Miguel Chevalier's work from KF XR Gallery Special Exhibition <i>Meta City: Seoul-Paris</i> displayed at DDP media art exhibition

7	<i>The Time of Fiber: Carrying Tradition and Connecting the Future</i>	ROK Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism (Hosted by: Korean Association of University Museums / Operated by: Sookmyung Women's University Museum and Sookmyung Women's University Moonshin Museum / In cooperation with: KF and Daegu University Central Museum)	May 8-Aug. 14 (Sookmyung Women's University Moonshin Museum) / Sept. 8-Oct. 31 (Daegu University Central Museum)	Sookmyung Women's University, Moonshin Museum, and Daegu University Central Museum	Works from KF XR Special Exhibition on environment invited to the exhibition
8	BIFAN <i>Beyond Reality</i>	Bucheon International Fantastic Film Festival (BIFAN)	Jul. 3-13	Bucheon Art Bunker B39	Works from KF XR Special Exhibition <i>Unlocking Time</i> invited to the exhibition

■ Strategic Cultural Exchange

The KF cooperates with foreign diplomatic missions and cultural organizations in Korea in organizing events to commemorate diplomatic occasions and the anniversaries of diplomatic relations, thereby enhancing the Korean public's interest in and understanding of foreign countries.

Country	Outline	Date	Venue
Japan	KF-JF Cooperation Symposium on Cultural Cooperation for Sustainable Regional Development in Commemoration of 60th Anniversary of Normalization of Korea-Japan Relations	Sept. 12	OnDream Society, Myeongdong, Seoul



| Poster Session, KF-JF Cooperation Symposium



| KF-JF Cooperation Symposium in Myeongdong

Expansion of Foundation for Public Diplomacy Activities in Korea

■ Public Diplomacy Research

As a public diplomacy organization in Korea, the KF conducts surveys on the current status of public diplomacy and its agendas, and accumulates and shares public diplomacy-related statistics and data. The KF also implements joint projects with private organizations to promote public diplomacy-related research and feedback, thereby contributing to expanding the foundation for public diplomacy activities in Korea.

Category	Outline
Survey on Current Status of Public Diplomacy	Survey on general awareness of public diplomacy and analysis of social big data on public diplomacy
Public Diplomacy Agenda Exploration	Three projects on relevant topics, including SNS trends in three Southeast Asian countries and ways to promote digital public diplomacy
Expansion of Foundation for Research on Public Diplomacy	Paper and essay competition on public diplomacy

■ KF Public Diplomacy 3.0

The KF employs trending methods to produce and upload online content on diverse aspects of Korea via the digital public diplomacy YouTube channel “7707” (devised from the initial consonants of the phrase “public diplomacy” in the Korean alphabet: 퍼블리시티). In 2025, the KF developed and released a total of 36 episodes in six new series, making content easily accessible to Korean and international viewers alike.

Series Title	Outline	Episode Title
Voices on Korea	Podcast of discussions of Korea-related topics from the perspective of foreigners	Ep. 1: Printing Culture and Seonbi Spirit
		Ep. 2: Korea's Fast-Paced Life
		Ep. 3: Friendship, Love, and Communication
Gyeongju AlgoRHYTHM	Music videos of AI-assisted compositions by a singer-songwriter inspired by the nature, art, and culture of Gyeongju	Ep. 1: The Forest of Light
		Ep. 2: The Star Still Shines for You
		Ep. 3: The Traces of Breath
K-cultural Ping Pong	Vlogs by foreigners having firsthand experiences of trendy Korean culture, introduced in comparison with their own culture	Ep. 1: Local Market Tour in Korea
		Ep. 2: Bakery Tour in Korea
		Ep. 3: Templestay in Korea
Bailar la Vida	Dance content featuring discussions between a Colombian Latin dancer and a Korean dancer who learn dance from each other	Ep. 1: Aprendiendo el ritmo del corazón
		Ep. 2: Cuando la respiración se vuelve danza
		Ep. 3: Ritmo Compartido
K-word Trend	Word-art shorts offering an intuitive introduction to Korean words or phrases trending among overseas millennials and Gen Z	Ep. 1: Gwan-sik
		Ep. 2: Aegyo
		Ep. 3: Maknae
		Ep. 4: Jagiya
		Ep. 5: Daebak
		Ep. 6: God-saeng
		Ep. 7: Nunchi
Hansik in Five Colors	Non-verbal cuisine shorts introducing Korean food in Obangsaek, Korea's five traditional colors	Ep. 1: Red
		Ep. 2: White
		Ep. 3: Black
		Ep. 4: Yellow
		Ep. 5: Blue



| Voices on Korea Ep.1 Thumbnail



| K-cultural Ping Pong Ep.2 Thumbnail

KF ASEAN Culture House

The KF ASEAN Culture House (KF-ACH) was established in Busan on September 1, 2017, pursuant to an agreement made at the ASEAN-Republic of Korea Commemorative Summit in December 2014. As a platform for public diplomacy that connects Korea and ASEAN through enhanced understanding, the KF-ACH provides Koreans and foreign residents from ASEAN countries with an opportunity to deepen mutual understanding, and offers a way for ASEAN residents to enjoy their home culture while residing in Korea.

In cooperation with the embassies of the ASEAN member states to Korea, Korean national and local governments, and domestic and international cultural organizations, the KF-ACH implements exchange programs in arts, culture, and education to contribute to the development of future-oriented relations between Korea and ASEAN. In 2025, the KF-ACH carried out approximately 10 exhibitions, performances, film screenings, and educational programs to introduce the history, society, and cultures of the 11 ASEAN member states.

ASEAN Arts and Culture

■ Exhibitions

Category	Title	Outline	Organizer	Period
Permanent Exhibitions	(2nd Permanent Exhibition) <i>ASEAN Storyteller: Spiritual Beliefs, Arts and Life</i>	Exhibition presenting various handicraft and art works to introduce ASEAN member states' representative cultural heritage, religion, arts, and life wisdom	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' diplomatic missions in Korea, ministries of foreign affairs and cultural organizations, and relevant Korean organizations	Year-round
	ASEAN-ROK Corner	Section to introduce cooperative relations between Korea and ASEAN, and installation to recreate Welcome Dinner at 1st Mekong-ROK Summit in 2019		
	Hallway Photo Exhibition: <i>ASEAN in Korea, Korea in ASEAN</i>	Hallway photo exhibition of KF-ACH ASEAN Photo Competition winners' works		
	Exhibition of gifts donated by leading ASEAN figures	Exhibition to display gifts donated on the occasion of the Vietnamese president's visit to Korea		
Special Exhibitions	Travelling Exhibition: <i>The Book of Distance</i>	Exhibition of works on ASEAN by contemporary artists from Korea and three ASEAN member states (Malaysia, Philippines, and Thailand)	KF-ACH and Gwangju Biennale	Dec. 13, 2024–Mar. 14, 2025
	<i>Brise-Soleil and Rounded Corners</i>	Exhibition of video and architectural models by ASEAN artists, featuring art deco and modernist architecture in Southeast Asia, on the theme of architectural heritage and the urban everyday	KF-ACH in cooperation with Busan Film Commission with support from ROK Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Jun. 12–Dec. 7
Special Exhibition	<i>Vietnamese Folk Toys and Games: Connection</i>	Exhibition to introduce Vietnamese folk toys and food preparation for ancestor worship ceremony at Mid-Autumn Festival, Vietnamese counterpart to Korean Chuseok	KF-ACH and Vietnam Museum of Ethnology in cooperation with Vietnamese Consulate General in Busan	Nov. 1–Dec. 1

Category	Title	Outline	Organizer	Period
Digital Experience Zone	VR Lounge	VR experience of ASEAN cultural heritage sites (Sukhothai Historical Park in Thailand, Emperor Kai Dinh's Tomb in Viet Nam, etc.)	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' embassies in Korea, ministries of foreign affairs, and cultural organizations	Year-round
	Info Media Wall	Media wall highlighting important information on ASEAN, including the background of its establishment, greetings from ASEAN member states, and introduction to key figures	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' embassies in Korea	Year-round
	Live Media Wall	Media wall introducing natural and cultural heritage in the Philippines (rice terraces of the Philippine Cordilleras, Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park, and Puerto-Princesa Subterranean River National Park)	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' embassies in Korea	Year-round
	Immersion Room	Section to highlight animations based on traditional folk tales from Indonesia and Thailand, and major shopping malls in ASEAN member states	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' embassies in Korea	Year-round
	Digital Playground	Experiential content on festivals in 5 ASEAN member states: Brunei, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and the Philippines	KF-ACH in cooperation with ASEAN member states' embassies in Korea	Year-round



Digital Experience Zone(Immersive Media Theater)



KF ASEAN Culture House Permanent Exhibition



Travelling Exhibition: The Book of Distance



Special Exhibition with the Viet Nam Museum of Ethnology Vietnamese Folk Toys and Games: Connection

Performances and Cultural Events

Title	Outline	Organizer	Date	Venue
Myanmar Culture Day	Cooking demonstration and networking activities in commemoration of 50th anniversary of Korea-Myanmar diplomatic relations	KF-ACH	May 17	KF-ACH
Cultural event to mark Vietnamese president's visit to Korea	Cultural event to mark visit by Viet Nam President Lương Cường and other high-ranking officials on the occasion of APEC Summit meeting	KF-ACH and Vietnamese Consulate General in Busan	Nov. 1	KF-ACH



Myanmar Culture Day



Vietnamese president's visit to Korea

Movies

2025 ASEAN Film Festival

Country	Film	Date	Organizer	Venue
Myanmar	<i>The Lucky</i>	Aug. 28-31	KF-ACH and Busan Cinema Center	Cinematheque Busan Cinema Center
Brunei	<i>Like the Cold Breeze in Summer</i>			
Singapore	<i>KOPI</i>			
	<i>The Diam Diam Era</i>			
Thailand	<i>Long Long Time Ago</i>			
Viet Nam	<i>How to Make Millions before Grandma Dies</i>			
Viet Nam, Singapore, Philippines, and Indonesia	<i>Detective Kien: The Headless Horror</i>			
	<i>Don't Cry, Butterfly</i>			



2025 ASEAN Film Festival Poster



2025 ASEAN Film Festival Opening Ceremony

Education Programs

Title	Outline	Organizer	Period	Venue
ASEAN Language Courses	Online courses on languages of ASEAN member states	KF-ACH in cooperation with Busan University of Foreign Studies	Winter Session: Jan. 16-17/ Spring Session: Mar. 31-Jun. 13 / Summer Session: Jun. 16-22/ Fall Session: Sept. 22-Dec. 15	Online
Production of Lao Culture Kit	DIY kit to make a dok champa (Lao PDR's national flower) pin in celebration of 30th anniversary of Korea-Lao PDR diplomatic relations	KF-ACH	Nov. 4-Dec. 16	KF-ACH
Busan ASEAN Week 2025	Cultural experience zone established on the theme of "the beauty of ASEAN" as part of Busan ASEAN Week events organized by Busan Metropolitan City	Busan Metropolitan City, Busan Global City Foundation, and KF-ACH	Nov. 21-30	Dong-gu Cultural Platform, Busan
ASEAN Outreach Program for Primary School Students	Education program held at primary schools to enhance children's understanding of ASEAN	KF-ACH in cooperation with Busan Metropolitan City Office of Education	Apr.-Nov.	Primary schools in Busan
Special Workshop on ASEAN for Korean Teachers	Program for secondary school teachers across Korea to enhance their understanding of ASEAN	KF-ACH and ASEAN-Korea Centre in cooperation with Busan Education Training Institute	1st: Aug. 5-7 / 2nd: Aug. 12-14	KF-ACH
Visiting KF-ACH Program (Group Tour)	Introduction to ASEAN, docent tour of KF-ACH exhibition, and cultural experience program offered to groups that wish to visit KF-ACH	KF-ACH	Year-round	KF-ACH



Visiting KF-ACH Program (Group Tour)



ASEAN Outreach Program for Primary School Students

Financial Overview

Revenue

(Unit: KRW 1 million)

Details		Amount
1	Property Income	3,676
	Other Interest Income from Property	3,676
2	Current Transfers	60,824
	Charges (<i>International Exchange Endowment</i>) ^{1,2}	49,565
3	Private Contributions	11,259
	Sales of Goods and Services	687
4	Miscellaneous Income	687
	Borrowing & Surplus Funds Collection	50,158
	Surplus Funds Collection	50,158
	Total	115,345

1. International Exchange Endowment collected pursuant to:

- Article 16 of the Korea Foundation Act and Article 5 of the Enforcement Decree of the Korea Foundation Act
- Table 83 of Article 3 of the Framework Act on the Management of Changes

2. International Exchange Endowment Collections by Denomination in 2025

Place of Issuance	KRW 15,000 (\$15)	KRW 12,000 (\$12)	KRW 9,000 (\$9)	KRW 5,000 (\$5)	KRW 2,000 (\$2)	Number of Cases	Amount (KRW)
Seoul	-12	759,102	89,728	0	0	848,818	9,916,596,000
Other Domestic Areas	-25	2,837,904	477,679	0	0	3,315,558	38,353,584,000
Overseas	512	66,536	19,853	208	9	87,118	1,295,276,853
Total	475	3,663,542	587,260	208	9	4,251,494	49,565,456,853

※ Remarks

- Cases in which a passport application submitted before July 1, 2024 was refunded are processed in the system as a negative (-) entry.
- For overseas diplomatic missions that remitted total annual receipts for 2024 in 2025, revenue amounts of KRW 15,000, KRW 5,000, and KRW 2,000 were generated.
(Before July 1, 2024) 10-year validity: KRW 15,000/5-year validity: KRW 12,000/Single-Entry Passport: KRW 5,000/Travel Certificate: KRW 2,000
(After July 1, 2024) 10-year validity: KRW 12,000/5-year validity: KRW 9,000/Stamps for single-entry passports and travel certificates abolished.

Expenditure

(Unit: KRW 1 million)

Details		Amount
1	Support for Korean Studies Overseas	15,174
2	Global Networking	15,453
3	Support for Cultural Exchange	6,959
4	Donation Program	11,259
5	Information & Communications Technology	2,766
6	Fund Operating Expense	14,598
7	Surplus Funds Management	49,136
Total		115,345

Donation Program

Designated Donations in 2025

	Donor	Beneficiary (Supported Program)	Amount
1	Anonymous	Cornell University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$200,000
2	Anonymous	Brown University, U.S.(Establishment of faculty position in Korean language)	\$300,000
3	Sukjin Lim	Brown University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$60,000
4	Anonymous	Brown University, U.S.(Establishment of Korean studies professorship)	\$1,000,000
5	Anonymous	Brown University, U.S.(Establishment of Korean studies professorship)	\$250,000
6	Anonymous	Brown University, U.S.(Establishment of Korean studies professorship)	\$250,000
7	Anonymous	Brown University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$20,000
8	Anonymous	Cornell University, U.S.(Establishment of Korean studies professorship)	\$500,000
9	Hongnam Kim	Yale University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$50,000
10	Anonymous	Center for Strategic and International Studies, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$200,000
11	Anonymous	Harvard Business School, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$200,000
12	Korean Association of Harvard Business School	Harvard Business School, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$140,735
13	Anonymous	Stanford University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$1,000,000
14	Youngone Corporation	Brookings Institution, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$120,000
15	Simone Acc. Collection, Ltd.	Concordia Language Village, U.S.(Operation of Korean Language Village)	\$70,000
16	Simone Acc. Collection, Ltd.	Concordia Language Village, U.S.(Establishment of Korean Language Village)	\$400,000
17	Park Eun-gwan	Concordia Language Village, U.S.(Establishment of Korean Language Village)	\$200,000
18	Oh In-sil	Concordia Language Village, U.S.(Establishment of Korean Language Village)	\$200,000
19	Jogye Order of Korean Buddhism	Yale University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$330,000
20	Anonymous	New York University, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$5,000
21	Anonymous	University of Chicago, U.S.(Korean studies program)	\$680,485.05
22	NC Cultural Foundation	Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, U.S. (Korean studies program)	\$100,000
23	Anonymous	International Institute for Strategic Studies, U.K. (Establishment and operation of Korea Chair)	\$1,450,000
	Total		\$7,726,220.05

Organization

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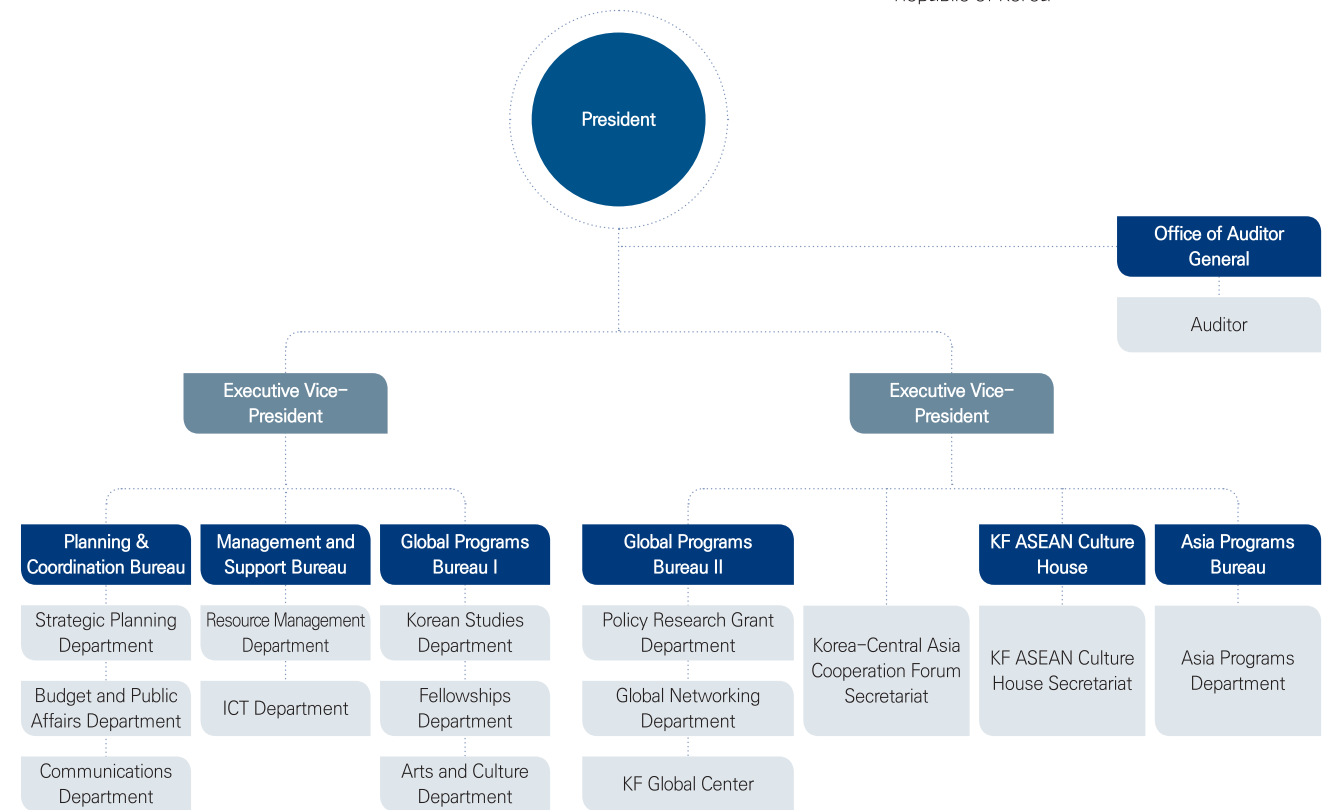
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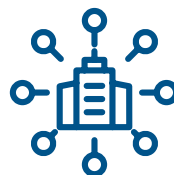


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