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IFTC is TCS’ annual flagship event held on a rotational basis among China, Japan and the ROK. Per the rotational principle, Japan is the chair country of IFTC 2022. Due to the pandemic, the offline portion of IFTC 2022 is held in Seoul, ROK as an exception. The order of the messages and speakers follows the rotational principle of the IFTC chair country.
I. Secretary-General's Opening Remarks
Opening Remarks by TCS Secretary-General Amb. OU Boqian at IFTC 2022

Excellencies,
Distinguished guests,
Ladies and gentlemen,

It is a great honor for me to have you here at the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation 2022, the annual flagship event of the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat. First of all, on behalf of the TCS, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to the Governments of China, Japan and the Republic of Korea for your trust, empowerment and longstanding support. My gratitude also goes to the dignitaries, eminent scholars, accomplished experts and journalists from worldwide for joining us today. I also would like to offer my warmest welcome and thanks to all our friends from different communities, who are now attending on-site or online, for your continuous support to Trilateral Cooperation and TCS.

Furthermore, I wish to extend my special gratitude to His Excellency WANG Yi, Honorable State Councilor and Foreign Minister of China, His Excellency HAYASHI Yoshimasa, Honorable Foreign Minister of Japan, and His Excellency PARK Jin, Honorable Foreign Minister of the Republic of Korea, for delivering generous congratulatory messages on the opening of IFTC 2022, which truly grace today’s Forum. Their enlightening messages have been thoroughly and exquisitely presented in the provided IFTC handbook.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Over the past 20 years since its inauguration, Trilateral Cooperation has made remarkable achievements thanks to the joint efforts of the three countries. Yet we are undergoing a time of change and uncertainty. While the human society has yet stepped out of the pandemic haze, a series of traditional and non-traditional security challenges are on the rise; while the global economy is still fragile, the imbalance of development among countries becomes even severe. Amid this turbulence and transformation, international cooperation and exchange have become more important and necessary than ever. Through exchange of information, we are able to strengthen our capacity to overcome global and transboundary issues which a single country could not stand alone; through exchange of views, we may grasp inspiration and wisdom for feasible solutions against challenges and difficulties that are fundamental to human security; through exchange of cultures, people from different countries may deepen their understanding and friendship with each other which will further consolidate the foundation of a shared community.

By holding International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation 2022, we hope to provide an integrated platform for situation analysis, policy interpretation and academic recommendation on Trilateral Cooperation. The speakers and panelists participating in the Forum today include veteran politicians and diplomats, prominent scholars, leading economists and renowned experts from the three countries, who enjoy high reputations in their respective areas of expertise. Their profound insights range from global and regional issues to economic policies and practices, as well as East Asian cultures and values. I strongly believe that today’s Forum will bring new impetus to a future-oriented cooperation that will reinforce economic resilience and peace of the region and beyond.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The year 2022 marks the 50th anniversary of the normalization of diplomatic relations between China and Japan, the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and the Republic of Korea, and the 20th anniversary of the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan. This year also kicks off the second decade since TCS’ establishment. In this new era, my colleagues and I will spare no efforts in carrying out the mandates of the three Governments for a more advanced Trilateral Cooperation. We will strive to fulfill our mission to further promote Lasting Peace, Common Prosperity and Shared Culture in this region.

“We cannot change our history, but we can shape our future.”

Thank you very much for your kind attention. I wish today’s Forum a complete success!
II. Congratulatory Messages for IFTC 2022
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)
I would like to extend my congratulations on the occasion of the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation 2022. I would like to pay tribute to the efforts of the organizer, the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS), and all the people involved.

Japan, China and the Republic of Korea (ROK) share the responsibility of ensuring peace and prosperity in the East Asia region. Since 1999, when Japan-China-ROK cooperation began at the proposal of then Japanese Prime Minister Obuchi, trilateral cooperation has been promoted in a wide range of fields such as economy, health, and environment. In particular, bond between the peoples forms the basis of mutual understanding among the three countries. People-to-people exchanges such as youth exchanges deepen mutual understanding among the people of the three countries, which will further promote Japan-China-ROK cooperation. The TCS has been actively promoting such cultural exchange programs, and we have expectations for the role the TCS will continue to play in the future.

I understand that representatives of the three countries from various fields will gather at this forum to discuss a variety of aspects of trilateral cooperation. I sincerely hope that today’s discussions will be fruitful.

/s/

HAYASHI Yoshimasa
Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan
Congratulatory Messages for IFTC 2022

China MOFA

On behalf of the Chinese government, I would like to extend warm congratulations on the successful opening of the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation (IFTC) 2022 and our best wishes to the meeting.

China, Japan and the ROK are important cooperation partners to each other as the three countries enjoy geographic proximity, close business ties, robust people-to-people exchange, and a wide range of shared interests. The committed efforts made by the three countries to deepen practical cooperation over the past two decades and more have made China-Japan-ROK cooperation an important platform for maintaining peace and stability in East Asia, guiding the regional integration process, and promoting development and prosperity in the world.

As a flagship program of the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS), the IFTC has played an active part in pooling the wisdom from the three countries, facilitating the sharing of development experience, and deepening exchange and cooperation among them.

At a time when the world is faced with growing instability and uncertainty, China, Japan and the ROK, as major forces for peace and development of the region and beyond, need to further enhance mutual trust, expand cooperation, and inject greater vitality and dynamism into the trilateral cooperation to provide more positive energy for regional tranquility, economic recovery, and affinity among peoples.

Entering its second decade, the TCS has embarked on a new journey. It is our hope that with the support of the three countries, the TCS will make fresh progress, break new ground, and take the cooperation and traditional friendship between China, Japan and the ROK to a new level.

I wish the IFTC 2022 a great success.

Wang Yi
State Councilor and Foreign Minister
The People’s Republic of China

Beijing, 14 June 2022
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ROK MOFA

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF KOREA

2022년 6월 14일

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박 진

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF KOREA

June 14th, 2022

It is my great pleasure to offer this message of sincere congratulations on the
significant occasion of the holding of the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation
2022. My heartfelt thanks go to all those at the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat for
providing this opportunity to bring together people who embrace the shared goal of seeking
to further nurture and deepen the ties of cooperation at the trilateral level.

The international situation currently surrounding us is more challenging than ever.
The world is faced with simultaneous complex challenges: the global pandemic, changes in
the trade order, climate change, the food and energy crises, armed conflict and war. At this
critical juncture there is a pressing need for a sense of solidarity and international
cooperation amongst nations to indeed overcome these issues.

As a “global pivotal state that contributes to freedom, peace, and prosperity,” the
Korean government will play a key role in addressing these multiple tasks. We look
forward to working closely with Japan and China, which are much valued partners in the
region. I firmly believe that, with the three countries’ standing as well as tremendous
potential in cultural and economic terms, our future-oriented partnership will generate
valuable momentum for peace and prosperity in East Asia and beyond.

Through thousands of years of exchanges Korea, Japan, and China have built a
cultural legacy in which there are many common elements. Our cultural legacies resonate
with each other. With the genuine sense of mutual understanding and trust we have
fostered through thriving people-to-people exchanges, it is my true wish that we can lay an
even more solid foundation for peace and shared prosperity, paving the way for true
harmony and co-prosperity. To this end, I look to you to share your invaluable ideas and
profound insights through this forum, pooling your wisdom for the greater good.

Once again, I would like to extend my warm congratulations on the convening of
the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation 2022. Wishing this meaningful forum
every continued success, I trust that the IFTC will constantly move even further forward in
pursuit of its noble goals.

Park Jin
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Republic of Korea
II. Congratulatory Messages for IFTC 2022 - Media Sponsors
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「日中韓三国協力国際フォーラム2022」に寄せて

2022年6月14日
朝日新聞社代表取締役社長 中村 史郎

「日中韓三国協力国際フォーラム2022」がソウルで開催されますことを、心からお喜び申し上げます。また、長年にわたり、東アジア地域の平和と安定、3国間の友好に寄与されてきた日中韓三国協力事務局（TCS）のご功績に深く敬意を表します。

新型コロナウイルスが世界の人々の生活を大きく変えてから3年目になりました。ワクチン接種や治療薬の開発が次第に進み、感染対策も進化を遂げてきていますが、どう経済活動と両立させていくかは引き続き大きな課題となっています。一方、地球規模での温暖化対策の可能性を探る議論がおこなわれると伺っています。今年もまた、3国の持続可能な発展につながるような未来志向のメッセージが発信されることを強く期待しています。

3国の間には難しい政治課題があるのも事実ですが、草の根の交流は止まっていません。特に若い世代の人たちはデジタル機器を使いこなして言葉、文化の壁を軽やかに越え、互いの国の映画やドラマ、ファッション、音楽を楽しんでいます。再び人々が自由に行き来できる日が戻ることを視野に入れながら、立場の異なる人たちがオンライン・オフラインで意見を交わす本フォーラムの意義は、非常に大きいと考えております。

最後になりましたが、日中韓三国協力事務局の益々のご発展と本日のフォーラムの成功を祈念して、私からの祝辞とさせていただきます。ありがとうございました。

NAKAMURA Shiro, President and CEO, The Asahi Shimbun
发挥媒体作用 促进民心相通

值此 2022 年中日韩合作国际论坛召开之际，我谨代表人民日报社，并以我个人的名义，向论坛的召开表示热烈的祝贺！向长期以来致力于推动中日韩三国各领域务实合作的中日韩合作秘书处表示崇高敬意！

中日韩三国互为重要发展伙伴。在推动三国不断增进互信、深化合作、共同发展中，中日韩合作秘书处发挥了积极作用。当前，百年变局和世纪疫情相互叠加，国际社会面临多重挑战，本届论坛主题确定为“面向未来的三国合作：持久和平、普遍繁荣、共同文化”，具有重要意义。作为中日韩合作国际论坛的媒体合作伙伴，人民日报社愿与相关各方一道，继续凝聚媒体共识，发挥媒体作用，加强交流互鉴，深化务实合作，为促进三国人文交流、民心相通贡献力量。

预祝 2022 年中日韩合作国际论坛取得圆满成功！

人民日报社社长

2022 年 6 月 14 日

Playing the Role of the Media to Strengthen Bond Between the People

Tuo Zhen, President of People's Daily

June 14, 2022

On behalf of People's Daily and in my own name, I wish to extend hearty congratulations on the opening of the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation 2022, and also sincere regards to the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat for having long been committed to promoting trilateral cooperation in various fields.

China, Japan and the Republic of Korea are important partners to each other. The Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat has played its part in enhancing mutual trust and deepening cooperation for common development among three countries. The world today is experiencing a pandemic and momentous change unseen in a century. The international community is confronted with multiple challenges. The Forum’s theme, "Future-Oriented Trilateral Cooperation: Lasting Peace, Common Prosperity, Shared Culture," is of great relevance. As a media partner of the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation, People's Daily will continue to work with relevant partners to build consensus, play our due roles, enhance mutual learning and deepen practical cooperation, to contribute our share to an even stronger bond between our peoples.

I wish the International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation full success!
I am very pleased that the International Forum for the Trilateral Cooperation (IFTC) is taking place despite the severe situation of the prolonged COVID-19 pandemic. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Secretary-General OU Bojian and those who have supported the Forum. I would also like to extend my gratitude to Korean 1st Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs CHO Hyun-Dong, Japanese Ambassador to the ROK AIBOSHI Koichi, and Chinese Ambassador to the ROK XING Haiming.

The Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS) has faced numerous challenges since its launch in 2011 with the aim of promoting peace and prosperity in Northeast Asia. Cooperation projects have struggled as a consequence of historical conflicts and the unprecedented global health crisis of the COVID-19 pandemic during the past 2 years.

The relations of Northeast Asia have become even more challenging over the past year. North Korea is continuing its missile tests while the ROK plans for a major shift in the security policy in the new government. The disparities between U.S. and China proceeds in not only areas of security, economy, and human rights, but also in the Russia’s invasion of Ukraine. In addition to such conflicts, the economic outlook of the three countries is also unclear due to the supply chain instability caused by monetary tightening from the U.S., global inflation, and the spread of COVID-19.

In this regard, it seems timely to set the theme of this year’s forum as “Future-oriented Trilateral Cooperation: Lasting Peace, Common Prosperity, and Shared Culture.” China, Japan and the ROK have been interacting with each other in the shared Confucian culture for thousands of years and are bound to Trilateral Cooperation frameworks such as the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (RCEP).

The COVID-19 pandemic and the economic crisis have deepened nation-centrism and put Trilateral Cooperation to a hardship. However, maintaining and developing the framework for Trilateral Cooperation is now essential for the survival and prosperity of all China, Japan and the ROK as it serves as a successful method for promoting peace and prosperity in the region.

IFTC 2022 will be a place where the neighboring three Northeast Asian countries can share common values in political diplomacy, economy, and culture amid the frequent international situation of confrontation and conflict, and seek solutions to the crises together. I believe that eminent scholars and policy makers who have contributed to establishing a framework for Trilateral Cooperation will present a valuable vision for the path of trilateral coexistence and the direction of cooperation through this forum.

The Chosun Ilbo, celebrating its 102nd anniversary this year, is proud to have supported such a valuable forum over the past 11 years as media partners of the TCS along with the People’s Daily of China and the Asahi Shimbun of Japan.

In consideration of the pandemic, this year’s forum will be held in a hybrid manner with both on-site meetings and non-contact methods as last year. As today’s forum is a meaningful event that has been prepared with the hard work of many people, I very much look forward to the brilliant wisdom and ideas that will brighten the future of Northeast Asia. Thank you.

June 14, 2022
BANG Sang-Hoon,
President of Chosun Ilbo
1. Program

**09:30-10:30**  
**OPENING SESSION**

**OPENING REMARKS**  
OU Boqian (欧渤芊) Secretary-General, Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat

**CONGRATULATORY REMARKS**  
- AIBOSHI Koichi (相星孝一) Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Korea
- XING Haiming (邢海明) Ambassador of China to the Republic of Korea
- CHO Hyun-Dong (崔恒東) 1st Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea

**KEYNOTE SPEECHES**  
- HIROSE Katsusada (広瀬 貞) Governor, Oita Prefecture (Culture City of East Asia 2022) of Japan
- ZHANG Ping (张平) Former Vice Chairman, The National People's Congress Standing Committee of China
- KIM Hwang-Sik (김황식) Chairman, Ho-Am Foundation; Former Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea

**10:30-10:45**  
**PHOTO SESSION, BREAK**

**10:45-12:15**  
**SESSION 1. Engage to Embrace: Institutionalization of Cooperation as a Key to Human Security and Peace**

**MODERATOR**  
OU Boqian (欧渤芊) Secretary-General, Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat

**SPEAKERS**  
- SASAE Kenichiro (佐々江啓之) President, The Japan Institute of International Affairs
- WANG Chao (王超) President, Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs
- KIM Sung-Hwan (김성환) Chairman, Asia Foundation; Former Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea

**DISCUSSANTS**  
- KOKA Masaaki (小原雅博) Professor Emeritus, The University of Tokyo
- YANG Yan (杨燕怡) Former Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Vietnam

**12:30-13:30**  
**LUNCHEON**

**13:45-15:15**  
**SESSION 2. A New Chapter: Driving Inclusive Growth for Regional Common Prosperity**

**MODERATOR**  
KWAK Soo-Jong (곽수종) President, Lien Economic Research

**SPEAKERS**  
- IWATA Kazumasa (岩田一政) President, Japan Center for Economic Research
- CHI Fulin (迟福林) President, China Institute for Reform and Development
- SHIN Seung-Kwan (신승관) Executive Vice President, Korea International Trade Association

**DISCUSSANTS**  
- URATA Shujiro (浦田秀次郎) Professor Emeritus, Waseda University
- CHEN Wenling (陈文玲) Chief Economist, China Center for International Economic Exchanges
- CHEONG Young-Rok (정영록) Professor, Graduate School of International Studies, Seoul National University

**15:15-15:30**  
**TEA BREAK**

**15:30-17:00**  
**SESSION 3. From the Past to the Future: Embracing Shared Culture towards the Sense of Community**

**MODERATOR**  
MENJU Toshihiro (毛受敏浩) Managing Director, Japan Center for International Exchange

**SPEAKERS**  
- MORIOKA Yasuaki (森岡泰雄) Executive Managing Director, Japan Sport Association
- WU Hailong (吴海龙) President, China Public Diplomacy Association
- RO Jae-Hun (로재훈) President, East Asia Culture Center

**DISCUSSANTS**  
- SASAKI Masayuki (佐々木雅幸) Culture Creative Analyst, Agency for Cultural Affairs, Japan
- ZHANG Yunling (张蕴岭) Academy Member, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
- CHUNG Ku-Chong (정규종) Chairman, Korea-Japan Culture Exchange Council

**17:00-17:15**  
**CLOSING SESSION**

**CLOSING REMARKS**  
OU Boqian (欧渤芊) Secretary-General, Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat
Ambassador OU Boqian joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China (MFA) in 1989. Over the span of her career as a diplomat, she has had extensive expertise in international and regional affairs by working in several regions around the world. She worked in the Department of African Affairs of MFA and Chinese Embassy in Uganda from 1990 to 2000. From 2001 to 2013, she served as Counselor of Information Department of MFA, Political Counselor at the Chinese Embassy in Australia, Counselor of Policy Planning Department, and Deputy Director-General of General Office of MFA. She was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of China to Grenada and served the position from 2013 to 2017 before working as Vice President of Chinese People’s Institute of Foreign Affairs from 2017 to 2021. Ambassador OU was appointed Secretary-General of TCS and has executed the role since September 2021.

Ambassador OU Boqian obtained her B.A. from China Foreign Affairs University in 1989, and Master of International Policy and Practice (MIPP) from Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University in 1997.
AIBOSHI Koichi
Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Korea

Ambassador AIBOSHI Koichi has served as the Ambassador of Japan to the Republic of Korea since January 2021. He previously served as the Ambassador of Japan to the State of Israel from 2018 to 2021. With an extensive diplomatic career spanning nearly three decades, his previously held top positions include the Ambassador of the Mission of Japan to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (2014-2016), Director-General for Global Issues (2016-2017) and Director-General for the Consular Affairs Bureau (2017-2018). His prior key postings include Paris, Seoul, Hanoi, and within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Japan.

Ambassador AIBOSHI Koichi obtained his B.A. in International Relations from the University of Tokyo in 1983.

XING Haiming
Ambassador of China to the Republic of Korea

Ambassador XING Haiming was appointed as the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Korea since 2020. He previously served as the Ambassador of China to Mongolia from 2015 to 2019. Commencing his career as a professional diplomat in 1986, he has been holding various postings in Department of Asian Affairs in Chinese Foreign Ministry, oversea Chinese missions in the Republic of Korea, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Mongolia. His key postings also include Deputy Director-General of Department of Asian Affairs in Chinese Foreign Ministry (2011-2015), Minister Counselor of Chinese Embassy in the Republic of Korea (2008-2011), and Minister Counselor of Chinese Embassy in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (2006-2008).
H.E. CHO Hyun-Dong took office as the 1st Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs in May 2022. Prior to assuming this position, Vice Minister CHO was the Head of Investment and Technology Promotion Office (ITPO) at the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). He was Deputy Minister for Planning and Coordination in MOFA, and also served as Minister at the Korean Embassy in the United States of America. Prior to Washington, he has served in Seoul as Special Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT), Director General for North Korean Nuclear Affairs at MOFAT, and Deputy Secretary for National Security Strategy at the Executive Office of the President.

Mr. HIROSE Katsusada is the Governor of Oita Prefecture since 2003. In his 5th term in office, he is currently the longest serving governor in Japan. He also serves as the Chairman of the Kyushu Governors’ Association. Prior to his political career, he gained over three decades of experience working initially at the Ministry of International Trade and Industry and later its successor, the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry. He held key posts within the ministry as well as an overseas posting to Spain. He last served as the inaugural Vice-Minister of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry before his run for Governor.

Born in Mameda, Hita City, Oita Prefecture on June 25, 1942, Governor HIROSE obtained his LL.B. from the University of Tokyo in 1966.
Mr. ZHANG Ping started his political career as Mayor of Wuhu City of Anhui Province, Secretary of Wuhu Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China, and Vice Governor of Anhui Province from 1992 to 2005. He became Deputy Chairman of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), Deputy Secretary General of the State Council, and NDRC Chairman from 2005 to 2013, and then served as Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee of the 12th National People’s Congress from 2013 to 2018. He is currently Chairman from the Chinese side of the Committee on the Future Development of China-ROK Relations.

Mr. KIM Hwang-Sik studied law at Marburg University in Germany and graduated from Seoul National University in 1971. He passed the National Judicial Examination in 1972 and has since made round through district and high courts as a judge, and was the president of the Gwangju District Court. He served as a Supreme Court justice from 2005 to 2008, and then as the chairman of the Board of Audit and Inspection from September 2008 to September 2010. Subsequently, he served as the prime minister of the Republic of Korea from October 2010 to February 2013. He is now working as a chairman of the Ho-Am Foundation.

*Ho-Am is the pen name of Mr. Byung-chull Lee, the founder of Samsung.
Ambassador OU Boqian joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China (MFA) in 1989. Over the span of her career as a diplomat, she has had extensive expertise in international and regional affairs by working in several regions around the world. She worked in the Department of African Affairs of MFA and Chinese Embassy in Uganda from 1990 to 2000. From 2001 to 2013, she served as Counselor of Information Department of MFA, Political Counselor at the Chinese Embassy in Australia, Counselor of Policy Planning Department, and Deputy Director-General of General Office of MFA. She was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of China to Grenada and served the position from 2013 to 2017 before working as Vice President of Chinese People’s Institute of Foreign Affairs from 2017 to 2021. Ambassador OU was appointed Secretary-General of TCS and has executed the role since September 2021.

Ambassador OU Boqian obtained her B.A. from China Foreign Affairs University in 1989, and Master of International Policy and Practice (MIPP) from Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University in 1997.
Engage to Embrace: Institutionalization of Cooperation as a Key to Human Security and Peace

Speaker (Japan)

SASAE Kenichiro
President, The Japan Institute of International Affairs

Ambassador SASAE Kenichiro joined the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs after graduating from the University of Tokyo in 1974. His distinguished and illustrious diplomatic career includes prestigious assignments as Executive Assistant to the Prime Minister, Director-General of the Economic Affairs Bureau, Director-General of the Asian & Oceania Affairs Bureau, and Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs. During his period of service in Tokyo, he represented the Japanese Government in the Six-Party Talks on North Korean issues. He also worked as Political Director for the G-8 Summit. From 2012-2018, he was Ambassador of Japan to the United States. Subsequently, in June 2018, Ambassador SASAE was appointed President of the Japan Institute of International Affairs to head Japan’s premier foreign affairs think tank.

Presentation Summary

Engage to Embrace on Japan-Korea-China Trilateral Cooperation

My first suggestion is to make the trilateral institution more project focused and people driven, rather than to make it problem resolution body. ‘Engagement to Embrace’ does not happen unless you have sufficient opportunities and experiences of friendship and compassion through your daily exchanges.

We can more seriously address issues like COVID response, climate change, SDGs and a whole set of non-traditional security issues. We can speed up our actions in more concerted way.

Human security is also a very relevant agenda as we see growing challenges everywhere. We need to break the barriers of sovereign rights in order to secure more transparency and coordination.

Common existential issues, like Russian invasion of Ukraine, US-China competition, North Korea, arms race also need to be addressed, going beyond the talking points.

At the end, what matters is how three leaders can build personal relationship with trust, pursuing more substantive delivery and less optics for domestic consumption. They need to be able to pick up the telephone more easily.
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Mr. WANG Chao graduated from Guangzhou Institute of Foreign Languages. He worked in the Ministry of Commerce (Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation) for a long time, serving successively as Director General for North American and Oceanian Affairs, Director General of the Department of International Trade and Economic Affairs, Assistant Minister and Vice Minister. Served as Vice Foreign Minister from 2013 to 2019. Assumed the current post since June 2019.

Presentation Summary

Enhancing Mutual Trust, Empowering Prosperity and Building Up Friendship Together

For over two decades, China, Japan and Korea have been cooperating to overcome difficulties for common development. The upgrading of the cooperation mechanism among these three nations and the enhancement of the foundation for their cooperation will contribute to regional peace and development, which comply with the fundamental interest of the three peoples.

I would like to make three suggestions concerning the trilateral cooperation in the future as follows:

Firstly, the political mutual trust shall be promoted for maintaining everlasting peace.

Secondly, the multilateral trade shall be further supported for empowering common prosperity.

Thirdly, the friendship shall be enhanced for carrying forward the shared culture.
Mr. KIM Sung-Hwan was a career diplomat and served as the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea from October 2010 to March 2013.

With a career spanning over 36 years, he held a number of senior diplomatic posts including the Senior Secretary to the President for Foreign Affairs and National Security and Vice Minister of MOFAT. He was ROK’s Ambassador to Austria and Permanent Representative to the International Organizations in Vienna and the ROK’s Ambassador to Uzbekistan.

He was appointed as a Member of the UN Secretary-General’s High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda in July 2010.

After retiring from the Foreign Service, he served as the Chair of Institute for Global Social Responsibility and Distinguished Visiting Professor at the Seoul National University until March 2015. He also taught at Hanyang University as a Distinguished Professor and served as the Chairman of the Gangwon Art and Culture Foundation.

He is now the Chairman of the East Asia Foundation in Seoul.
Engage to Embrace: Institutionalization of Cooperation as a Key to Human Security and Peace

Session 1

Discussant (Japan)

KOHARA Masahiro
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Dr. KOHARA is Professor Emeritus at the University of Tokyo. He taught Modern Diplomacy at the Graduate School for Law and Politics of the University of Tokyo from 2015 to 2021.

Dr. KOHARA started his career as a diplomat at Japan’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1980. The last three posts were Deputy Director General of the Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau (2007), Consul-General of Japan in Sydney (2010) and Consul-General of Japan in Shanghai (2013).

Dr. KOHARA graduated from the Faculty of Literature at the University of Tokyo, earned his MA in Asian Studies from UC Berkeley, and received his Ph.D. degree in International Relations from Ritsumeikan University.

He has written more than ten books including East Asian Community (Higashi Ajia Kyodotai) (Nihon Keizai Shinbunsha: Tokyo, 2005), National Interest and Diplomacy (Kokueki to Gaiko) (Nihon Keizai Shinbunsha: Tokyo, 2007), Which Direction will Japan head on? (Riben Zou Xiang Hefang?) (China CITIC Press: China, 2009), Japan in the midst of Two Superpowers (Kyokai Kokka Ron) (Jiji Tsushin Shuppankyoku: Tokyo, 2012), The dilemma caused by China’s Great Revival (China Jirenma) (Discover 21: Tokyo, 2012), National Interests of Japan (Nippon no Kokueki) (Kodansha: Tokyo, 2018), A Lively Seminar at the University of Tokyo (Todai Hakunetsu Zemi) (Discover 21: Tokyo, 2019), Japan’s Choice (Riben de Xuanze) (Shanghai Renmin Chubanshe: China 2019), The Impact of Coronavirus (Korona no Shogeki) (Discover 21: Tokyo, 2020) and the like.

He is a visiting professor of the Fudan University (Shanghai, China), and a specially appointed professor of the Meijo University as well as a visiting professor of the Asia-Pacific University and some other universities in Japan.

The world is in the midst of crisis. Geopolitical challenges and global issues such as Covid-19 and climate change pose tremendous impacts to the world.

All in all, the peace and prosperity in this region are overshadowed by the development of these challenges. China, ROK and Japan should seek the common ground of peaceful coexistence through dialogue and cooperation.

First, dialogue should play an active and constructive role. Dialogue allows policy-makers to avoid miscommunication. Dialogue facilitates greater understanding of the thinking of each side and relationships of trust among leaders and officials. I believe that various dialogue processes can promote brainstorming on all aspects of the issues we confront. The Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat can provide the useful platform to facilitate these interactions.

Secondly, the three countries should move to find ways to cooperate on some issues even though there are other issues to be disagreed and divided. They can and must cooperate and unite to fight the global and human crisis. If we fail to do so, we are all losers.

Thirdly, the three countries should further facilitate the economic win-win with an increasing economic interdependence and a rule-based and transparent architecture in the region. The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) came into effect. Asian economic regionalism is likely to be sustained in the coming decade even though the region is overshadowed by the security confrontation. The trilateral economic cooperation among the three countries can ensure their development to be sustainable under this mega free trade pact.

In an era of intense competition among powers, intense diplomacy is needed in both at the leader-level diplomacy and other level diplomacy such as Track 2, Track 1.5 and even Track 3. I hope the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat will play an important role in these dialogues and cooperation in the coming days and years.
Stay committed to respecting each other's core interests and adhering to the basic norms governing international relations. That the relationships between China, Japan and ROK have come a long way proves, regardless of differences of social systems and ideologies, adherence of the principles of respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of other states, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful co-existences are the real guardrails for stable state-to-state relations and a fundamental prerequisite for maintaining peace in East Asia.

In short, as three close neighbors and significant economies, the best choice is to act as responsive partners for win-win outcome, dynamic enablers for balanced, coordinated and inclusive global development, and passionate advocates for common values of humanity and for building a community of shared future for mankind.
Current dynamics in international politics as is seen in the deepening rivalry between the United States and China is hardly favorable to moving forward the relationship between Korea, China and Japan. Overall atmosphere of cooperation and exchanges among our three governments and peoples has been stalled over the years.

More worrisome is a growing sentiment in all three countries that our relations have come to the point of less cooperation and more competition, and that of less enmity and more animosity. In the age of SNS, rise of unhealthy and sometimes unbridled nationalism against each other among the three peoples also poses a stumbling block to a future-oriented trilateral partnership. Therefore, it’s first and foremost the responsibility of the governments to make sure that they try hard to prevent the unnecessary wave of nationalism and do not exploit it for domestic political purposes.

Our three nations tend to forget that we belong to one of the most economically and culturally dynamic areas. And we should remind ourselves that we have flourished by learning from each other rather than fighting against each other. Almost everything, including geopolitical and geo-economic dynamics, changes. But the fact that China, Japan and Korea are neighbors does not change. And we have been benefiting so much from the fact that we are neighbors.

The three governments should work together and figure out ways to advance the trilateral partnership in a manner which is compatible with changing regional and international situations. And the three peoples should learn to deepen the understanding of each other, respect and like each other, which can best strengthen the groundwork for furthering common prosperity and peace.
Dr. KWAK Soo-Jong has expertise in macroeconomic matters concerning utility regulation, derivative markets, and free trade policy. Prior to establishing his own research institute, Dr. KWAK held the role of Vice Chairman for a number of private companies. From 2005 to 2012, Dr. KWAK held the role of Chief Economist at Samsung Economic Research Institute (SERI) in Seoul, South Korea. While at SERI, Dr. KWAK focused on analyzing complex international trade models focusing on South Korea’s FTA with the US. Additionally, Dr. KWAK was appointed to the head of SERI’s global branch office in Washington, D.C. from 2006 – 2008. Prior to his roles at SERI, Dr. KWAK served as a Managing Research Economist at the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) in the United States from 1998 – 2005. During his tenure with the KCC, Dr. KWAK developed and conducted statistical models to forecast trends, predict outcomes, and measure economic relationships using macroeconomic data.

Encouraged by his interest in topics of international cooperation, Dr. KWAK also participated in joint R&D projects with the Mongolian government from 2013 to 2015. Dr. KWAK has also served full-time in academic institutions in South Korea and the United States. Dr. KWAK also has experience in broadcasting as a television and radio host for a number of broadcasting organizations.

Dr. KWAK received his bachelor’s degree in Economics from Yonsei University and a doctoral degree in Financial Economics from University of Kansas.
Mr. IWATA Kazumasa, former Deputy Governor for the Bank of Japan, is currently the President of Japan Center for Economic Research (JCER). After graduating from the University of Tokyo in 1970, Mr. IWATA entered the Economic Planning Agency of the Japanese Government. He later served as Administrator at the Monetary and Fiscal Policy Division, Department of Economics and Statistics, OECD in Paris. Between 1985 and 2001, he held various positions at leading academic institutions including the University of Tokyo and Yale University. In 2001, he was appointed Director General in charge of economic assessment and policy analysis at the Cabinet Office. In 2003, he was named Deputy Governor of the Bank of Japan for five years. He became the Emeritus professor at the University of Tokyo in 2007. He then became President of the Economic and Social Research Institute, Cabinet Office, and later Member of the Council of Economic and Fiscal Policy. He took his current role with JCER in October 2010. He is also currently serving as a Chairman of Postal Services Privatization Committee. The Committee was created to steer the privatization of the then state-run postal operator, currently Japan Post Holdings, which provided postal and financial services (deposit, money transfer and settlement and insurance) in an integrated manner. He was inaugurated as the chairman in September 2016. He was appointed as a temporary member of Central Environment Council in July 2018 and is engaged in the Subcommittee on Utilization of Carbon Pricing.

A New Chapter: Driving Inclusive Growth for Regional Common Prosperity

Start of New Chapter: Promotion of Inclusive Growth for Regional Prosperity

1. Start of the Second Cold War
   - Geo-economic fragmentation triggered by the Russia’s invasion of Ukraine coupled with economic sanctions against Russia has aggravated stagflationary impact on global economy in the process of recovering from the COVID-19 crisis.
   - Japan recorded negative growth rate of 1% (Q on Q, annualized) in the first quarter of 2022.
   - The Russia’s invasion of Ukraine violates the international law.
   - In order to maintain global peace, it is absolutely necessary to secure and respect the territorial integrity and national sovereignty of Ukraine.

2. How to Mitigate the Fragmentation: Regional Integration and the WTO Reform
   - The US-China trade war (2018-2020) seeking for the techno-supremacy and the subsequent COVID-19 crisis disrupted supply chain networks and reinforced the tendency towards decoupling the global economy, thereby undermining the efforts to maintain the global liberal trading/investment system.
   - Despite the tendency towards the geo-economic fragmentation, Asia-Pacific countries succeeded to advance the regional integration by concluding the RCEP, in addition to the establishment of the CPTPP.
   - RCEP was a great achievement of Asia-Pacific regional integration.
   - However, RCEP failed to achieve the high-quality FTA.
   - RCEP will certainly serve not only as the steppingstone to a high-quality K-C-J FTA, but also it will contribute to achieving the green/digital transformation to facilitate the inclusive and sustainable growth in Asia/Pacific region.
   - On digital transformation, it is important to widen the scope and coverage of the membership of the "Digital Economy Partnership Agreement (DEPA)" by Singapore, New Zealand and Chile.
   - We hope that the US will be back to the CPTPP, in spite of resurgence of populists movement against globalization.
   - In order to reconstruct the rule-based free trading system, it is necessary to implement the WTO reform (WTO 2.0), adapting to new circumstances.
   - EU and other 22 member countries apply the Multi-party Interim Appeal Arbitration Arrangement (MPIA) with one-tier litigation system as an alternative to the dispute settlement. <European Parliament (2021)>
3. How to Mitigate the Fragmentation: Regional Monetary Cooperation

- Let me turn to financial market cooperation in the Asia/Pacific region.
- Facing the East Asian financial crisis, Japan made a proposal on the establishment of the Asian Monetary Fund in September 1997 in dealing with the liquidity shortage in this region.
- Japan currently has 4 Bilateral Swap Arrangements (BSAs) and 2 under talks based on the CMIM framework and the Central Bank Liquidity Swap Line (CBLSL) among six central banks.
- Unfortunately, the CMIM as a crisis prevention scheme has never been utilized, due to the IMF stigma and the limits on available fund.
- It seems desirable to advance the step towards transforming the AMRO (ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic and Regional Office) into the Asian Monetary Fund in coping with future regional and global financial crisis.

4. Inclusive and sustainable growth

- In view of achieving the inclusive and sustainable growth, I want to emphasize the importance of social common capital consisting of social infrastructure, environment and institutional capital developed by Prof. Uzawa. (2005)
- On natural capital, green growth can mitigate the limits to growth arising from the planet boundary human being faces.
- It is interesting to see that the New Zealand government adopted the wellbeing budget in 2019.

Prime Minister Kishida argues that Japan needs a new capitalism, which facilitates the virtuous circle of growth and redistribution.
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He, as an expert, has been entitled to the State Council’s special allowances. He has been awarded "the Five-One Project Publications Prize", the Sun Yefang Economic Science Award and the China Development Research Award. He is also awarded the title of "Top Outstanding Talents in China" and selected as one of the "100 Economists Who Have Influenced China’s Economic Construction in the Last 60 Years". His works are selected and included in the Overview on the academic Achievements of Well-known Chinese Scientists in the 20th Century (Economics Volume).

He has been dedicated to the theoretical and practical research of economic system reform for more than three decades. He has published more than 40 monographs in Chinese and English, more than 800 academic papers and more than 70 research reports. He has submitted a large number of policy recommendations, which has exerted positive impacts on decision-making and reform practices.

Presentation Summary

RCEP to Boost Economic and Trade Cooperation of China, Japan, and South Korea

One major achievements of RCEP is that China and Japan have established free trade relations for the first time. It is also the first free trade agreement between China, Japan and South Korea, which has formed free trade relationships among the three countries for the first time. RCEP has laid an important foundation for economic and trade cooperation between China, Japan and South Korea in the aspects of tariff reduction, market access, regional supply chain adjustment and so on.

We have to dedicate ourselves and maintain stable development of regional industrial chain and supply chain, so as to seize the opportunity of RCEP, and pragmatically promote economic and trade cooperation between China, Japan and South Korea. This is not only a major measure to jointly address the challenges of development and conflict, but also a prioritized task to consolidate and enhance the achievements of RCEP cooperation and further strengthen RCEP.
Mr. SHIN Seung-Kwan began his career at the Korea International Trade Association (KITA) in 1988, where he was later promoted to Director of Regional Studies Team in 2007. Recognizing his expertise in international trade, he was appointed as the Director of KITA Brussels Center from 2009 to 2012. After returning to KITA in Seoul, he has served as the Director of the Analysis & Forecasting Department until 2015. Before his position as the President of KITA’s Institute for International Trade in 2017, he also worked as the Executive Managing Director of Trade Policy Support Group in 2015. Mr. SHIN is currently the Executive Vice President of KITA, which is a position he was appointed since 2019. He has also provided advisory services to various organizations, such as the Korea Development Institute and Bank of Korea.

Mr. SHIN obtained his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in Economics at Yonsei University, each in 1986, 1995, and 1999.
Promotion of people’s mobility among three countries would contribute not only to deepening mutual understanding about their society, economy, culture, etc. but also to achieving high economic growth. Specifically, increased communication among policy makers would enable policy makers to identify common problems and issues such as aging and declining of population and formulate appropriate policies, while increased interaction among researchers and academics would enable them to develop new ideas and technologies, which would contribute to achieving dynamic and sustainable economic growth. Furthermore, it is very important to realize that increased interaction among researchers and academics would play a very important role in developing capable human resources. Trilateral exchange of high school and college students should be pursued as it would contribute to developing young people with good understanding of each other’s country. Successful development of such human resources will play an important role in shaping and building desirable society and economy in the future.

On RCEP, the three countries make sure that they follow up the agreement by implementing and complying with their commitments to show exemplary performance to the rest of the RCEP members and the world. In addition, the three countries should attempt to improve the quality of the RCEP by deepening the commitments in such areas as tariff elimination and introducing the rules on the issues that were not included in the RCEP but included in the CPTPP such as those on the state-owned enterprises. In order to maximize the benefits from adoption of common and cumulative rules of origin, effective and efficient customs procedure has to be practiced. In order to achieve this objective, effective cooperation among officials engaged in the operation is needed. On economic cooperation, the three countries are expected to provide assistance to developing countries in the RCEP, namely, Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Myanmar, so that they can not only successfully implement their commitments but also achieve economic development.
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Discussion Summary

Unimpeded, Connected, Shared and Win-Win - Safeguard Peaceful Development and Prosperity in Asia

- Solidify, deepen, and stabilize the implementation of RCEP in the long term, and build the world's most unimpeded free trade zone
- Tighten the industrial and supply chains among China, Japan, and the ROK, and increase the connectivity to ensure mutual support
- Establish a long-term mechanism for Asian countries to uphold peace, and share the experiences and lessons of peaceful development
- Build an Asian Community with a Shared Future, and create a win-win situation conducive to mutual development

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She has achieved outstanding accomplishment in the research fields of international economics, macro-economics, regional economics. She has authored more than 30 works, 600 papers and 300 internal reports. In recent years, she is focusing on Belt & Road, China-US relationship, BRICS, China-India relationship and so on.
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Global economy seems to be in big trouble by the gradual breakdown of GVC (global value chain) and slow adjustment of digital transformation of developing countries. Furthermore, the World seems to be more protective in trade with Covid-19 pandemic. Under these circumstances, we have seen a new expansion of regional trading market by launching the RCEP. RCEP is expected to work as an alternative channel of at least maintaining trade volume in this region. RCEP has a couple of importance in the global context.

Firstly, RCEP is the largest economic bloc having overall global share of 30% in population size about 2.26 billion, GDP size of USD 29.4 trillion, and trading volume of 10.1 trillion outnumbering the North America and the EU. Among 15 member countries, 6 countries lead the region by both higher per-capita GDP level over USD 30,000 and trading. Trading volume to GDP total (34.3%) is relatively low compared to the global average of 41.8%, which is showing rooms to expand trade in the future.

Secondly, RCEP is the first venue to have China, Japan and Korea in the same FTA setting, which could be leading to indirect trilateral FTA. Korea-China FTA has been working since the end of 2015. Some scholars argue that trilateral FTA is crucial component of giving the NEAR (North East Asian Region) as the most dynamic powerhouse of global development. By some sensitive reasons, however, trilateral FTA was less discussed and expected. Since 3 countries are in the same setting of RCEP, it will work as experimental FTA among 3 countries in this region.

While the US is trying to restructure trade with Asian countries, it seems relatively difficult to obtain the goal. It is because the RCEP area is working already as the key component of both the GVC and RVC, which could not be easily restructured in short years. Instead, it would be better to utilize the RCEP as vehicle of strengthening both GVC and RVC.
SESSION 3

From the Past to the Future: Embracing Shared Culture towards the Sense of Community

Moderator (Japan)

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After graduation from Keio University, Mr. MENJU joined Hyogo Prefectural Government where he got the scholarship to gain Master's degree of PA at Evergreen State College in Washington, US. After serving 10 years for Hyogo he joined JCIE in 1988 and have managed a variety of programs. He taught at a few universities including Keio University as a lecturer while working for JCIE. He was a member of selection committee on funds to NGOs by Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a council member of regional revitalization by Cabinet Secretariat, and is currently a member of Council for Cultural Affairs by Cultural Agency. He wrote many books including “Immigrants Open Japan's Future”, “Marginal Nation”, “The Challenge of Sister Cities”.

Session 3 From the Past to the Future: Embracing Shared Culture towards the Sense of Community

Speaker (Japan)

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Throughout his career in physical education and sports, he has attended several international conferences as a speaker to promote and popularize sports not only domestically but also internationally. He has developed expertise in sports administration.

From 1999 to 2005, he served as Senior Specialist for International Sports Events, and Senior Specialist for Anti-Doping Support at the Competitive Sports Division of Sports and Youth Bureau of MEXT.


From 2015 to 2018, he served as Deputy Director-General of the Japan Sport Council (JSC).

In June 2018, he was appointed Managing Director of the Japan Sport Association. He assumed his current position in June 2021.

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Presentation Summary

The Bond and Future of the Three Countries Built with the Japan-Korea-China Junior Sports Exchange Meet

As a predecessor to the Japan-Korea-China Junior Sports Exchange Meet (hereinafter “this program”), the Japan Sport Association (JSPO) carried out the Japan-Korea exchange program since 1981 and the Japan-China exchange program since 1982 with the aim of promoting youth sports exchange with neighboring Asian countries, thereby deepening mutual understanding and enhancing the international sporting competitiveness of youth athletes.

In August 1992, Korea and China normalized diplomatic relations. Taking this opportunity, the JSPO, All-China Sports Federation and Korean Sport & Olympic Committee held a meeting of representatives in Japan in 1992. At this meeting, the three parties confirmed to hold trilateral junior exchange meets from 1993, with the first held in Fukushima Prefecture, Japan.

Since then, this program has developed into a unique international multi-sports event for high school students. The Japanese delegations consists of top-level high school student athletes who have performed well in national competitive matches every year against the Korean and Chinese delegation consisting of youth of the same age. Approximately 23,000 youth athletes participated in this program over the past 29 years.

Furthermore, this program features not only sports exchange, but also a cultural exploration portion that exposes participants to the diverse cultures and histories of the three countries, and a friendship exchange in which athletes from each country introduce their countries’ traditional dances and other activities. These programs provide opportunities for cross-cultural understanding, respect for diversity, and fostering friendship and goodwill.

As regards enhancing competitiveness, many athletes who participated in this program have participated in the Olympics and other international competitions. From this, the significant role of this program in enhancing the competitiveness of individuals is also apparent.

Moreover, regarding the future prospects of trilateral exchange, we will consider the stimulating effects of this program to the host region and our contribution to solving global issues such as the SDGs, thereby enhancing the sustainability of the exchange competitions. We will continue to promote climate-friendly competitions and promote diversity and inclusion, making this program a place where everyone can enjoy the value of sports.

The knowledge and experience of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic/Paralympic Games will be utilized as a legacy to introduce distinctive educational activities and programs, such as exchanges between top athletes and youth athletes. Furthermore, we will cherish the Olympic ties that have connected PyeongChang in 2018, Tokyo in 2021, and Beijing in 2022, and value the bonds between the three countries and utilize them for the future of our children. In addition to this meeting, the first “Japan-Korea-China Youth Winter Sports Exchange” is scheduled to be held in Hokkaido, Japan in 2023 following the adoption of the “PyeongChang Declaration” at the first Trilateral Sports Ministers’ Meeting held in 2016.

Finally, the JSPO and Japanese Olympic Committee announced “Sport is a universally shared culture based on the enjoyment of free physical activity (Declaration on Sport in Japan, 2019)”. The JSPO will promote mutual understanding among children who are the hope of the future, through the common cultural values created by sports. Furthermore, it will create opportunities for them to voluntarily play an active role in the international community and contribute to building a world filled with peace and friendship.
Ambassador WU Hailong joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China (MFA) in 1978. During his diplomatic career, he has worked in several international organizations and regions around the world and built an extensive expertise in international and multilateral affairs. From 1978 to 1996, he worked in the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of MFA, then at the Permanent Mission of the People’s Republic of China to the United Nations. From 1996 to 2004, he served as Counselor of the Chinese Embassy in the State of Israel, then as Deputy Director-General of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of MFA and Deputy Commissioner of MFA of the People’s Republic of China in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. From 2004 to 2006, he was appointed Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the People’s Republic of China to the United Nations and other international organizations in Vienna, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), then served as Director-General of the Department of International Organizations and Conferences of MFA before working as Assistant Minister of MFA of China from 2009 to 2011. From 2011 to 2016, Ambassador WU was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Head of the Mission of the People’s Republic of China to the European Union, then Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Permanent Representative of the People’s Republic of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland. From 2016 to 2019, he served as President of the Chinese People’s Institute of Foreign Affairs.

Ambassador WU was appointed President of China Public Diplomacy Association (CPDA) and has executed the role since October 2019.

The cultures of our three countries are intermingled, which is the result of cultural exchanges and mutual learning.

None of the three cultures is superior to the others. They are different by their characteristics and unique features.

China, Japan and Korea should mutually respect, appreciate and learn from each other’s culture.

We advocate approaching others’ culture with an inclusive mindset and abandoning narrow nationalism and populism.

We need to maintain our cultural confidence and guard against cultural conceit or arrogance.

Cultures become vivid by communication, enriched by exchange and improved by intertwinement.

Propel cultural exchanges, enhance mutual understanding and trust, and promote the friendly relations of the three countries.
RO Jae-Hun
President, East Asia Culture Center

Born in 1965 as the son of late former President RO Tae-Woo, Mr. RO Jae-Hun graduated from department of business administration at Seoul National University. After earning a master’s degree in political science from Stanford University and J.D. from Georgetown University Law School, he worked as a lawyer at a prominent law firm, White & Case, and later at Barun, a major Korean law firm. In recent years, he serves as President of East Asia Culture Center (EACC), Vice Chairman of SP Technology, Co-president of New Silk Road Institute, President of Korea Hungary Friendship Association, Managing Director of Beautiful Mind Charity and Director of Daegu International Musical Festival. East Asia Culture Center promotes cultural exchanges in various fields such as East Asian Friendship Dialogue, Youth Exchange and Korean-Chinese Cultural Performance and Exhibition.

More recently, he chairs Culture and Society Subcommittee of the Korea-China Relations Future Development, while serving as the standing chair of the Preparatory Committee for the 30th Anniversary of Korea-China Diplomatic Relations, in which honorary chairman Moon Hee-sang, co-chairmen Song Young-gil and Kwon Young-se are participating.

Presentation Summary

Cultural Cooperation of the Three Countries in the Future

History of culture in three countries can be characterized by its commonality such as Chinese characters (漢字) but also by its uniqueness, for instance, tea & liquor culture that each country has developed with its own uniqueness.

Understanding that culture is commonly shared and improved, I believe that blending and integration of culture based on cultural commonality become the most important factor.

Such example is Shanghai and Nagasaki where Western culture is blended with local culture successfully. And another example is K-POP where we can find Asian cultural integration and unity that blends with Western culture beautifully, achieving huge success in global culture industry.

Producing globally popular leading cultural products and sharing successful experience helps enhance the common spirit as well as boost cultural industry.

In conclusion, we can create commonly shared and universally accepted culture based on Asian value, namely, creation of One Asia culture, which acquires universal value through blending and integrating East and West, History and Modern, Culture and Technology.

On this note, now is the right time to form an integrated platform for exchange and cooperation among young leaders in Asia, taking advantage of modern culture and technology for instance, games and metaverse, as we are witnessing domination of Western culture weakening and the balance shifting to Asia.

Thus, I am confident that sharing Asian values through education and exchange on platform such as Digital game and Metaverse Asia Leaders Forum would be able to accelerate successful collaboration and create culture respecting universal common values including environment, health, humanism etc.
Mr. SASAKI Masayuki is an internationally recognized leader in the field of theory and practices on the creative city and culture city, and also an adviser of UNESCO creative cities network in Japan. He got his Doctoral Degree of Economics from Kyoto University. Prior to joining to the current post of the Agency for Cultural Affairs in 2020, Dr. SASAKI was a Professor of Kanazawa University, Ritsumeikan University, Osaka City University and Doshisha University. And he received an Emeritus Professor from Osaka City University in 2014.

He got the prize of Japanese society of Urbanology in 2003, and Kanazawa City Culture Award in 2020. He launched the international academic journal from Elsevier Publisher, "City, Culture and Society" in 2010 and played the important role as first Editor in Chief.

He has been involved as an expert since the conception stage of the Culture City of East Asia project, and has played an important role in the selection of the Culture City of East Asia in Japan.
Session 3  From the Past to the Future: Embracing Shared Culture towards the Sense of Community

Discussant (China)

ZHANG Yunling
Academy Member, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Mr. ZHANG Yunling is currently Academy Member of Chinese Academy at the Social Sciences (CASS) and President of the Institute for International Studies at Shandong University. He was Director of International Studies at CASS (2007-2018); Director of Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies (1993-2007), Director of Japanese Studies (1995-2001), CASS; Member of National Committee of Chinese Political Consultant Conference (2002-2018.3).


Discussion Summary

Strengthening China-Japan-ROK Trilateral Cooperation under New Circumstances

Northeast Asia is facing many new challenges. Under the new situation, China, Japan and the ROK should build political consensus and further promote the trilateral cooperation. China, Japan and the ROK are a community of interests, which requires mutual trust in politics, security-building together, and cooperation in economy. The economy is the foundation. The three countries should strengthen cooperation in the field of new technologies to overcome the adverse impact of the comprehensive strategic competition of the United States with China, and build a mechanism of economic momentum and vitality in Northeast Asia and East Asia, centered on the trilateral cooperation. RCEP provides a basis for the three countries to speed up the negotiation of Trilateral FTA, and the three countries should speed up the negotiation process in this regard. The three countries should build a stable cooperation mechanism, and should not weaken or interrupt the cooperation process due to differences and conflicts. In addition to the economy, cooperation in public security, socio-cultural affairs, education and other fields should be strengthened to promote exchanges and mutual understanding and the understanding between citizens of the three countries. The three countries also need to improve mutual recognition and enhance the mutual bond between the people of the three countries. The important thing is to resume the Trilateral Summit as soon as possible and seize the favorable opportunity to convene the summit this year.
Mr. CHUNG Ku-Chong is Chairman of the Korea-Japan Culture Exchange Council and adviser to the
Japan Center of DongSeo University where he had been professor Emeritus for 10 years. He is also
managing as a Chairman to the Korean Council of the Korea-China- Japan Culture Exchange Forum
since 2009. Mr. CHUNG earned his BA and MA from Yonsei University and Ph.D. in political science
at Keio University, Japan. He joined the Dong-A Ilbo in 1967 and over the years he had served as the
paper's resident correspondent to Japan, national/city editor, Tokyo bureau chief, managing editor
and executive director and adviser of CEO & President of Donga.com since 2001. He is currently a
member of the Japan Law and Politics Studies Association and had been a director of the Korea-
Japan Forum's Korean Steering Committee since 2003 and served as a president of Korea-Japan

Discussant (ROK)

CHUNG Ku-Chong
Chairman, The Korea-Japan Culture Exchange Council

The three countries of Korea, China and Japan are categorized into confucian cultural area and they
have shared own culture by impacting historically each other for a long time. Three countries have
developed the culture in the midst of importing and re-creating own culture. On the other hand,
sometimes, they had claimed the exclusive ownership of the opponent’s culture without respecting
each other and it had stoked the controversy due to the conflict and differences in political regime.

At the moment of post-corona ahead, we would discuss the practical ways of cultural exchange to
respect and understand the other’s culture beyond the conflicts and controversies by expanding
the mutual respect and sympathizing consensual contents across on-line and off-line to promote
the common culture and community spirit of Korea, China and Japan.

First of all, still today, re-confirming and realization of the traditional culture are necessarily to
be shared by 3 countries. Using Chinese character, calligraphy, staple diet of rice and chopstick
use are counted for the traditional culture of 3 countries. The Culture Exchange Forum headed
by me was initiated in 2005 and the conference was held by 3 countries in turn. Since the corona
pandemic, the on-line calligraphist exhibition of 3 countries was held twice in 2020 and 2021, and 3
countries revived and shared the calligraphy culture virtually.

At the era of internet and SNS, it is presumable to consider developing the exchange platform
run jointly by Korea, China and Japan in the coming days. To develop the exchange platform
operated commonly by taking the China's policies and SNS polices differentiated with those of
Korea and Japan will be a new trial to promote the community spirit of 3 countries. In addition,
the establishment of the culture and arts TV channel run commonly by 3 countries like the European
Arte TV can be an example of new project.

Finally, it is necessary for the pundits of 3 countries to activate the guideline related to the culture
exchange and the discussion on the institutional consensus, and mobilize the influencers in many
levels to transmit it to the public. It is to provide the opportunities of systematic discussion to make
the guidelines on the sensitive controversial points via TCS, and establish the laws and standards
in mid and long term basis. In addition, we should explore the way of calling the public’s attention by
drawing the voluntary involving of the influencers who are familiar with the public in transmitting
the made institutional discussion and guideline.
IV.
About IFTC and TCS
International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation (IFTC) is TCS’s annual flagship event that brings together eminent scholars/policy makers to share and offer new insights into the political climate, economic cooperation, and socio-cultural ties among China, Japan and the ROK. IFTC is held on a rotational basis among the three countries, targeted at participants of government dignitaries, experts, scholars, business leaders, journalists and civil society leaders from the three countries. The inaugural IFTC was held by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the ROK and Sejong Institute in Seoul, ROK, in 2011, commemorating the launch of the TCS. The TCS has succeeded the initiative and organized the IFTC since 2012. In 2015, IFTC has been changed to be held on a rotational basis in the three countries. Due to COVID-19 outbreak, IFTC 2020 was postponed to 2021.

### Past Events

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<td>(ROK) LEE Hong-koo, Former Prime Minister (Japan) HATOYAMA Yukio, Former Prime Minister (China) TANG Jiaxuan, Former State Councilor</td>
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<td>In Light of the TCS 10-Year Anniversary: The New Trilateral Partnership in the Next Decade</td>
<td>(ROK) BAN Ki-moon, 8th United Nations Secretary General/ Former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the ROK</td>
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About TCS

The Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat (TCS) is an international organization established with a vision to promote peace and common prosperity among China, Japan, and the Republic of Korea. Upon the agreement signed by China, Japan, and the ROK, TCS was inaugurated in Seoul, ROK, in September 2011.

I Objective

Contribute to the further promotion of cooperative relations among the three countries by providing support for the operation and management of the trilateral consultative mechanisms among the parties and by facilitating the exploration and implementation of cooperative projects.

I Functions

1. Provide support for trilateral consultative mechanisms and send representatives to attend major consultative mechanisms.
   * TCS participation in the Trilateral Summit
     – 5th (Beijing, China), 6th (Seoul, ROK), 7th (Tokyo, Japan), 8th (Chengdu, China)
   * TCS participation in trilateral ministerial meetings (16 areas)

2. Communicate and coordinate with the three parties and with other international organizations, particularly with other East Asian cooperation mechanisms.

3. Explore and identify potential cooperative projects and report the projects to the relevant consultative mechanisms for adoption. Draft project reports and evaluate project results.
   * TCS main projects
     – International Forum for Trilateral Cooperation (IFTC)
     – Trilateral Journalist Exchange Program (TJEP)
     – Young Ambassador Program (YAP)
     – Trilateral Youth Summit (TYS)
     – Trilateral Teacher’s Exchange Program–Public Awareness of Environmental Protection (TTEP)
     – Trilateral Entrepreneurs Forum (TEF)
     – CJK FTA Seminar


5. Conduct research on important issues related to the Trilateral Cooperation, manage TCS website and mechanism website, and promote understanding of the Trilateral Cooperation.
   * TCS main research projects
     – Trilateral Economic Report
     – Trilateral Statistics Hub
     – Research Project on China-Japan-Korea Local City Exchange
     – Trilateral Common Vocabulary Dictionary (TCVD)

I Structure

- Consultative Board: One Secretary-General and two Deputy Secretary-Generals (appointed by each country on a two year rotational basis)

| Secretary-General | ROK BEK Bum-Hym |
| Deputy Secretary-General | Japan SAKATA Natsuko |

- Organizational Chart

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Floor Plan

3F
- Grand Ballroom
  - Registration
  - Photo Exhibition
- Foyer
- Restroom
- Balcony

6F
- Ara
  - VIP Luncheon
- Ara I
- Ara II
- Nuri ballroom I
- Nuri ballroom II
- Restroom
- Lift Lobby
- Lift Lobby
- Foyer
- Bridal Room
- Soom
- Banquet Showroom
- Oreum
  - Secretariat (TCS)
- Restroom
- Lift Lobby