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CATHOLIC INSTITUTE OF NORTHEAST ASIA PEACE

**The Third International Conference
of
Catholic Institute of Northeast Asia Peace (CINAP)**

Role of Religions for Peace

in the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia

**—Role of Religions of Japan and Korea and Ways of
Cooperation**

- Date: October 8th (Tuesday) –10th (Thursday), 2019
- Venue: The Peace and Unity Center, The Catholic Church of Repentance and Atonement
- Hosted by Gyeonggi-do Provincial Government, The Catholic Times, Committee for the Reconciliation of the Korean People of Uijeongbu Diocese
- Organized by Catholic Institute of Northeast Asia Peace (CINAP)

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Program Book

1. Objectives

The International Conference of Catholic Institute of Northeast Asia Peace (CINAP) was initiated to seek ways for the Catholic Church to contribute in realizing **peace in the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia** with the related nations which have great interests in the Peninsula. In the previous conferences, the Korean, the Japanese, and the US Catholic Churches and the field experts gathered to seek ways to fulfill this aim. Participants from each countries continues to carry out solidarity activities according to the outcome of the previous conferences.

In this year's conference, which will be held in October 2019, we would like to extend beyond Catholic to other religions in seeking the ways in which religions can contribute for realizing **peace in the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia**. We will focus on the ways for the Northeast Asian countries to overcome wounds from the historical events in the twentieth century and to advance toward true reconciliation in religious perspective. We are trying to pave the way to peace and reconciliation in a new perspective by reflecting upon the past clearly when the history is the cause of worsening conflicts between the contemporary Korean and Japanese society.

We expect, as an outcome of the conference, to create a common action network together for religious people in solidarity in this Northeast Asian region. We will carry out the cause analysis of the conflicts and based on the analysis, we will establish means to cooperate sustainably with the Catholic churches in the region, other religions, and other religious solidarity organizations.

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2. Outline

- Main theme: Role of Religions for Peace in the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia— Role of Religions of Japan and Korea and Ways of Cooperation
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- Expected number of participants: around 400 people including 20 foreign guests

Foreign guests (around 20 guests)

- Japanese-Korean relations expert
- Department of Korean Studies, St. Petersburg University, Russia
- Vatican, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Catholic Bishops' Conference of Japan (CBCJ) officer
- World Council of Churches (WCC) officer
- Other Religious person, NGO or NPO officers

Korean participants (around 400 people)

- Korean Conference of Religions for Peace (KCRP), the Korean Council of Religious Leaders (KCRI), United Religions Initiative (URI)
- Academics and research institute
- Catholic and general press
- Korean Catholic members from other dioceses
- Members of parish subcommittee for the Reconciliation of the Korean People of Uijeongbu Diocese
- Priests, sisters and brothers of Uijeongbu Diocese

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2.1 Conference Timetable *

Time	Day 1 October 8, Tuesday	Day 2 October 9, Wednesday	Day 3 October 10, Thursday	
		Mass & Breakfast	Mass & Breakfast	
09:00		Participant Registration		
10:00		Opening Ceremony	Check-out for foreign guests	
11:00		Session 1	Panmunjom Tour	
12:00				
13:00	Foreign Guests Registration	Lunch		
14:00		Session 2		
15:00				
16:00		Break		Check-out for foreign guests
17:00	Internal Workshop	Session 3 Round Table Discussion		
18:00				

* Please note that the schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen events.



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2.2 Detailed Schedule **

Day 1 – Tuesday, October 8, 2019

13:00 – 16:00 Foreign guest registration

16:00 – 18:00 Internal workshop for establishing cooperative network of foreign Catholic officers, international Catholic NGO, and Korean religious organizations

18:00 – 20:00 Welcoming Dinner

20:00 – 23:00 Preparation meeting

Day 2 - Wednesday, October 9, 2019 - Open to Public

09:00 – 10:00 Participant registration

10:00 – 11:00 Opening ceremony and Keynote Speech

11:00 – 12:30 Session 1: Controversial Issues of Conflicts in Northeast Asia and the Efforts to Resolve and to Reconcile

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 16:00 Session 2: Improvement of Japan-Korean Relations and Peace in Northeast Asia and Christianity

16:00 – 16:30 Tea break

16:30 – 18:30 Session 3: Round Table Discussion—What should religious people do for peace in Northeast Asia?

19:00 – 20:30 Farewell Dinner for foreign guests

Day 3 - Thursday, October 10, 2019 – Field trip

09:00 – 10:00 Breakfast and check-out

10:00 – 16:00 Panmunjom Tour (for those who wishes to join)

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3. Conference Program

Welcoming Speech: Bishop Peter Lee Ki-heon (Korea, Bishop of Uijeongbu Diocese, Chair of the CBCK Committee for the Reconciliation of the Korean People)

Keynote Speech: “Role and Challenges of Catholic Church in Overcoming Problems between Korea and Japan” by Bishop Bernard Taiji Katsuya (Japan, Bishop of Sapporo Diocese, Chair of the Japan Catholic Council for Justice and Peace)

Session 1: Controversial Issues of Conflicts in Northeast Asia and the Efforts to Resolve and to Reconcile

- First Presenter: “Overcoming historical memory as a way to achieve peace on the Korean Peninsula” by Professor Sergei O. Kurbanov (Russia, Director of the Center for Korean Language and Culture at Saint Petersburg State University in Saint Petersburg)
- Second Presenter: “Past and Present of Controversial Issues of Conflicts in Northeast” Asia by Professor Lee Sam-sung or Professor Lee Jae-bong (Korea)

Session 2: Improvement of Japan-Korean Relations and Peace in Northeast Asia and Christianity

- First Presenter: “Historical Problems and Conflicts between South Korea, North Korea and Japan” by Professor Kang Seong-eun (Korea University in Japan, Research Institute of Korean Issues)
- Second Presenter: “Church’ Efforts to Improve Relations between Japan and Korea” by Professor Fr. Mitsunobu Ichiro SJ (Japan, Department of Theology, Sophia University)
- Third Presenter: “Church’s Efforts to Realize Peace in Northeast Asia” by a member of Korean Catholic or Protestant Church

Session 3: Round Table Discussion

Catholic Church members of Japan, the Vatican, the US, Korea and religious solidarity organizations, and academics all together attempt to reconcile historical memory for settling peace on the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia and to seek ways to advance toward better future.

- Moderator: Dr. Paik Jang hyun (Hanshin University)
- Bishop Bernard Taiji Katsuya
- Professor Sergei O. Kurbanov

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- Father Mitsunobu Ichiro
- Professor Nagasawa Yuko
- Dr. Brian Grim
- A member from Won-Buddhism
- TBD (either a representative from WCC or ACRP)
- Dr. Park Mun-soo (CINAP)

4. Miscellaneous information

1. Session 3 Round Table Discussion will be based on the presentation of Session 1 and 2; all speakers and panels from Session 1 and 2 are asked to participate in Session 3.
2. Simultaneous interpretation of English and Korean is provided throughout the conference.
3. A modest amount of honorarium will be given to all speakers and panelists (air fare will be reimbursed for foreign guest)

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