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Faced with increasing social conflict not just in Korea but in other parts of the world, the participants will embark on a 4 day journey to explore solutions to this global challenge.



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Acting President Kim bound for the 4th C... 2017-09-22

The Acting President Kim, Yisu is set to depart on September 10 to attend the 4th Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice.



Justice Kang Ilwon Elected Bureau Mem... 2015-12-21

Justice Kang Ilwon was unanimously elected a member of the Bureau for a two-year term at the 105th Plenary Session of the Constitutional Court.



President Park Han-Chul Visits the Lithua... 2015-11-08

President Park Han-Chul visited the Constitutional Court of Lithuania located in the country's capital, Vilnius.

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President
Constitutional Court of Korea *Park Han-Ul*

It is with great pleasure and honor for the Constitutional Court of Korea to host 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice in Seoul from September 28 to October 1, 2014.

Under the topic of "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration," the forthcoming congress will bring together heads of more than 100 constitutional courts and equivalent bodies as well as international organizations around the globe to share knowledge and experience and to further mutual trust and friendship.

We firmly believe the Congress will help us not only strengthen ties and cooperation with other constitutional courts but also advance democracy, rule of law, and human rights.

We look forward to your great interest and active participation for the success of the Congress.

Thank you.

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+	Date	Sunday, September 28 - Wednesday, October 1, 2014		
+	Venue	The Shilla Hotel, Seoul		
+	Topic	Constitutional Justice and Social Integration		
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	Sunday 28 September	Monday 29 September	Tuesday 30 September	Wednesday 1 October
Morning	Immigration and Registration	Opening Ceremony	Plenary Sesseion III Constitutional Instruments Enhancing/Dealing with/for Social Integration	Cultural Programmes & Departure
		Plenary Sesseion I Challenges of Social Integration in a Globalised World	Plenary Sesseion IV The Role of Constitutional Justice in Social Integration	
Afternoon	Meetings of Regional and Linguistic Groups	Plenary Sesseion II International Standards for Social Integration	Plenary Sesseion V Independence of Constitutional Courts – Stocktaking	
	Meeting of the Bureau of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice	General Assembly (Members only)	Closing Ceremony	
Evening	Welcome Reception	Dinner	Farewell Dinner	

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"Floating gently up and down, Korea greets the world with its beauty of airy lightness and elegance."

The 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice in Seoul brings together the representatives of courts of constitutional jurisdiction and international organizations from around 100 countries, offering them a platform of mutual cooperation and exchange. The emblem also signifies harmony that represents both the dynamism of the World Conference and the Korean beauty of curves. The abbreviation of the World Conference "WCCJ," combined with the Korean traditional beauty of curves, such as the golden crown ornaments of Silla, Gilt-bronze Incense Burner of Baekje and red tassels of Sangmo dance, has been transformed into a dynamic image. The red and blue in the letters of "WCCJ" symbolize Taeguk, a symbol that makes up the center of the Korean national flag, meaning that the world is welcomed by the cultural beauty of Korea.



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+ For decades, the world has made great progress in the improvement of human rights situation by introducing and developing constitutional justice, but some parts of the world still remain a blind spot in our efforts to protect human rights.

The advanced countries centering around Europe established an institutional mechanism to protect fundamental rights by reinforcing constitutional justice, but some countries are not yet equipped to provide substantial protection of fundamental rights due to absence or malfunction of such systems.

+ There is an increasing consensus among countries around the world that constitutional justice, which has democracy, human rights, etc. at heart, also needs to be discussed at the global level.

With shared understanding on the need to exchange experience to promote constitutional justice, constitutional courts and other such institutions exercising constitutional jurisdiction have been working within the framework of regional or language based groups, and there is a growing awareness that we must organize a worldwide forum that goes beyond such groups.

+ The World Conference on Constitutional Justice was made a permanent body in September 2011 following its two Congresses in order to promote constitutional justice, which is founded on democracy, protection of human rights, and the rule of law.

The World Conference, organized under the initiative of the Venice Commission, is the highest-level conference in the field of constitutional justice that unites constitutional courts, constitutional councils and supreme courts across the world.

A Congress attended by all members is held at least every three years, and 86 constitutional courts, councils and supreme courts have joined the World Conference as of May 2014.

□ For more information about WCCJ, please visit the website below

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Whereas on 22-24 January 2009, the Constitutional Court of the Republic of South Africa and the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe organised the 1st Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice;

Whereas the 1st Congress brought together 93 Courts and Councils belonging to the following regional and linguistic groups:

- Asian Constitutional Courts
- Association of Constitutional Courts using the French Language (ACCPUF)
- Commonwealth Courts
- Conference of Constitutional Control Organs of Countries of Young Democracy
- Conference of Constitutional Courts of Countries of Portuguese Language
- Conference of European Constitutional Courts
- Ibero-American Conference on Constitutional Justice
- Southern African Chief Justices Forum
- Union of Arab Constitutional Courts and Councils.

Whereas the participants of the 1st Congress,

- recognising the key role of the regional and linguistic groups in the promotion of constitutionalism,
- entrusted a Bureau, composed of the Presidents of the regional and linguistic groups and the three Courts which hosted the preparatory meetings (Vilnius, Seoul, Algiers), with making proposals for the establishment of a World Association open to the Courts belonging to the regional or linguistic groups;

The Bureau hereby approves the text of the Statute of a permanent World Conference on Constitutional Justice as set out below:

Please click the button below for the full text of the Statute.

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WCCJ logo symbolizes its main objective which is to promote the fundamental rights, justice, de-mocracy and the protection of human rights, all based on the supremacy of the Constitution.



The entire logo is in an oval circle of five "C"s representing the five continents. The letter "C" embodies concepts of Constitution, Court, Council, Constitutional Control, and Constitutional justice. Green and blue colors symbolize peace, vitality and justice. Also, the way in which the "C"s are arranged around the earth symbolizes the protection, conservation and guarding values of fundamental law, justice and human rights.



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Date Thursday, 22 January - Sunday, 25 January, 2009

Venue Cape Town, South African Republic

Host Constitutional Court of South Africa, Venice Commission

Topic Influential Constitutional Justice: its influence on society and on developing a global human rights jurisprudence

Subtopics

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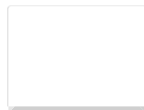
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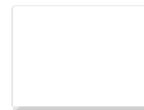
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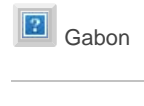
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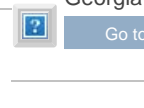


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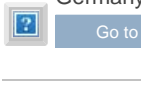


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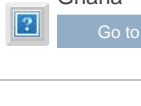
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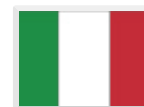
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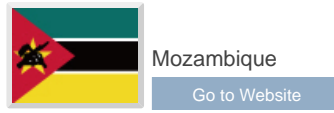


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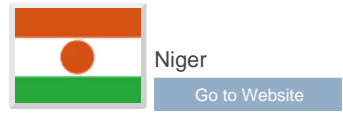


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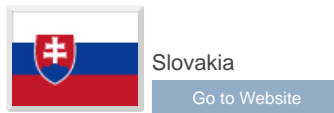


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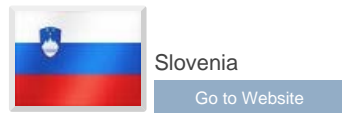


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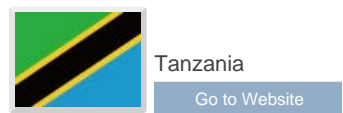
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The European Commission for Democracy through Law - better known as the Venice Commission as it meets in Venice - is the Council of Europe's advisory body on constitutional matters. The role of the Venice Commission is to provide legal advice to its member states and, in particular, to help states wishing to bring their legal and institutional structures into line with European standards and international experience in the fields of democracy, human rights and the rule of law. It also helps to ensure the dissemination and consolidation of a common constitutional heritage, playing a unique role in conflict management, and provides "emergency constitutional aid" to states in transition.

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Delegations that have not made a reservation yet are kindly requested to fill out the Hotel Reservation Form and return it to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Korea via email or fax as soon as possible.

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Ramada Seoul Dongdaemun (15 min. by car)

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		Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy		
The Shilla Seoul	Deluxe	KRW 295,000	KRW 345,000	KRW 30,000	10% SVC 10% VAT
	Business Deluxe	KRW 340,000	KRW 390,000		
	Executive Business Deluxe	KRW 450,000	KRW 550,000	Breakfast and other benefits included	
	Executive Grand Deluxe	KRW 480,000	KRW 580,000		
Grand Ambassador Seoul	Superior Double	KRW 190,000	KRW 190,000	KRW 14,000	10% VAT
	Superior Twin	KRW 180,000	KRW 180,000		
Ramada Seoul Dongdaemun	Superior	KRW 110,000	KRW 110,000	KRW 12,000	10% SVC 10% VAT

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The Incheon International Airport is the main airport for arrivals and departures.



+ Ground Transportation

All delegates will be provided with suitable transportation between the Incheon International Airport and hotels on the day of their arrival and departure.

In order to facilitate the arrival/departure procedures, all delegations are required to inform the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Korea of their flight schedules and other relevant information as soon as possible.

+ Visas

In order to enter Korea, all delegates are required to present their valid passports with appropriate entry visas, except for delegates from countries that have a Visa Waiver Agreement with Korea. Delegates are advised to obtain their visas in advance if required. For those participants who need a visa to enter Korea, the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Korea will provide an invitation letter.

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Seoul has been the capital city of Korea for more than 600 years. Its population is around 12 million, about 25 percent of the total population of Korea. For more information on Seoul, please visit <http://english.seoul.go.kr>



+ Climate

Korea has four distinct seasons. Summers are hot and humid, while winters are often snowy and cold. During the Congress period in September, Korea has warm, dry and sunny weather with cobalt blue skies. It is the ideal season to visit Korea.

The average temperature in September is 21.5°C (70.7°F). The average daily temperature for 28 September - 1 October for the past 3 years was 19.5°C (67.1°F) with lows at 16.3°C (61.3°F) and highs 23.1°C (73.5°F).

+ Currency and Banking

The official unit of the Korean currency is the Won (KRW). The exchange rate of USD 1 is approximately equivalent to KRW 1,041 (as of 25 April 2014). Currency exchange is available at banks, airports and major hotels in Korea. ATM services are also available at most hotels in Korea including the Congress venue.

Tipping is not expected in most restaurants and hotels in Korea.

+ Credit Cards

Most large stores, hotels and restaurants in Seoul accept major international credit cards. However, it is advised to carry some cash since certain small establishments and stores may not accept credit cards.

Electricity

The power supply in Korea is 220V/60 Hz. Two in-line holed sockets (two round-pinned plugs) are used. Adaptors and converters may be needed for Delegations from countries that use 110V or other different types of plugs.

Local time

Standard time zone: GMT +9 hours

Internet Access

Free Wi-Fi service will be available in the meeting rooms and lobby of the Shilla as well as in the rooms of the recommended hotels.

Local & International Phone Calls

The Country code of Korea for international inbound call is 82, and the area code of Seoul is 02. For international outbound calls from Korea, 001, 002, or 00700 should be dialed first followed by the appropriate country code and the phone number.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones and Personal Digital Assistants using GSM frequencies do not function in Korea. Supported protocols in Korea include: CDMA (800/1800), iDEN (800), WCDMA (2100). 3G (WCDMA) devices will function in Korea unless roaming services are blocked by their local service providers. Delegations are advised to contact their local service providers to ensure that the roaming service is not blocked. For 2G devices, delegations should contact their current wireless service providers to ensure that Korean service providers such as KT (KTF), SKTelecom, LG Uplus and KT Powertel are included in their primary roaming list and advised to apply for roaming services before departure.

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"Constitutional Justice and Social Integration" has been adopted as a topic for the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice which will be hosted by the Constitutional Court of Korea in Seoul from September 28 to October 1, 2014.

At the meeting, it was also agreed to invite non-members to the Congress as Justice Kang suggested "It is important to open up the invitation and invite non-member Courts in order to make the 3rd Congress to be a platform for more Courts to exchange wisdom and experience on constitutional justice."

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The Constitutional Court of Korea is gearing up for the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice (Sep. 28 - Oct. 1, 2014, Seoul) to be held under the topic of "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration."

Artistic Director Sohn, Jinchaek of the National Theater Company is appointed to be the chairman of the Advisory Committee. The Committee will add momentum to the preparation for the Congress with experts in academia, law, and organizing international conference including Professor Jeong, Jae-Hwang at Sungkyunkwan University Law School, and Park, Jaeun, member of the subcommittee on culture at Korean National Commission for UNESCO.

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"Constitutional Court of Korea sets up an official website for the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice which will be held in Seoul from September 28 to October 1, 2014. The website is available in Korean, English, and French. it will provide the public and participants from more than 100 countries with overall preparation process and information on the Congress. "

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Justice Kim Yi-Su (photo, left) visited the Supreme Court of Singapore on March 14 (local time) and met with Judge of Appeal Chao Hick Tin (photo, right). They talked about the judicial systems of each country focusing on constitutional justice, as well as ways to enhance bilateral cooperation and exchanges. They also exchanged views on the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions, and Justice Kim delivered to Judge Chao an invitation to the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice to be held in Seoul, September this year.

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(From left) Justice Johan Froneman, Justice Edwin Cameron, Justice Mbuyiseli Madlanga, Justice Thembile Skweyiya, Deputy Chief Justice Dikgang Moseneke, Justice Kim Yi-Su and Justice Johann van der Westhuizen

Justice Kim Yi-Su visited the Constitutional Court of South Africa on March 17 (local time) and met with six Justices of the Court, including Deputy Chief Justice Dikgang Moseneke (Acting Chief Justice), Justice Edwin Cameron and Justice Johann van der Westhuizen and talked with them about the constitutional justice system and ways to enhance bilateral cooperation. On this occasion, Justice Kim also delivered an invitation to the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice to be held in Seoul, September this year.

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(From left) Member Lewis Nzimande and Member Tjheta Mofokeng of the National Council of Provinces, Justice Kim Yi-Su

Justice Kim Yi-Su visited the Parliament of South Africa on March 20 (local time) and met with Chairperson Tjheta Mofokeng of the Select Committee on Security and Constitutional Development and member of the Committee Lewis Nzimande. Justice Kim talked with them about the constitutional justice system and its relationship with the Parliament in South Africa and Korea and expressed his commitment to enhancing bilateral cooperation and exchanges.

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On March 13-24, Justice Kim Yi-Su traveled to Singapore and South Africa, where he visited, among others, the Supreme Court of Singapore, Constitutional Court of South Africa, South African Parliament, and the South African Air Force Memorial.

Justice Kim met with Judge of Appeal Chao Hick Tin of the Supreme Court of Singapore and Acting Chief Justice Dikgang Moseneke of the Constitutional Court of South Africa to discuss ways to promote bilateral cooperation and exchanges in the development of their systems of constitutional justice. During the meetings, Justice Kim, on behalf of the Korean Constitutional Court, delivered an invitation to the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice to be held in Seoul, September this year. At the South African Parliament, he also met with Chairperson Tjheta Mofokeng of the Select Committee on Security and Constitutional Development and member of the same Committee Lewis Nzimande and talked about the enhancement of mutual cooperation between the Parliament and the Korean Constitutional Court.

In addition, Justice Kim visited the South African Air Force Memorial located in Pretoria on March 17 (local time) and laid a wreath, offering his condolences to the veterans who died in the Korean War. He also visited the Nelson Mandela Centre of Memory in Johannesburg and looked around the recordings about late President Mandela. This Centre run by the Nelson Mandela Foundation exhibits a number of Mr. Mandela's legacies including his Nobel Peace Prize, allowing all visitors to remember him again.

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President Park Han-Chul (photo) will leave Seoul to attend the 2nd Congress of the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions to be held in Istanbul, Turkey from April 28 through 30.

In his speech titled "International Cooperation for Human Rights Protection and Peace", President Park will propose to enhance international cooperation and solidarity between constitutional courts in Asia to provide remedies for human rights violations against humanity.

Along with President Park, Justice Lee Jinsung will also take part in the 2nd Congress and deliver a presentation under the title of "Protection of Social Rights by the Constitutional Court of Korea."

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Attending the 2nd Congress of the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions in Istanbul, Turkey on April 28 (local time), President Park Han-Chul proposed to strengthen international cooperation and solidarity to provide remedies for human rights violations against humanity.

He stated in his keynote speech titled "International Cooperation for Human Rights Protection and Peace in Asia", "National borders should not serve as obstacles, particularly in issues involving universal respect for human rights, such as crimes against humanity" and called for "strengthening of international cooperation and solidarity" among courts of constitutional jurisdiction in the Asian region.

He also contended, "Judicial remedies should be available to those who have had their rights violated, but the judgment of a national constitutional court or an equivalent institution can only play a limited role, given the limited scope of its jurisdiction." Then he stressed, "this is where international partnership comes into play" in terms of the issues involving universal respect for human rights such as crimes against humanity.

President Park also proposed to "establish a permanent channel for communication among the AACC's members", saying that "protection of human rights at the international level, such as through international conventions or organizations, has proved to be more effective."


Such a communication channel can be of substantial assistance in pooling the experiences and wisdom of members, allowing them to share each others' important rulings, as well new, important ideas on human rights and constitutions even in between Congresses.

Meanwhile, Justice Lee Jinsung made a presentation during the Congress on the subject of "Protection of Social Rights by the Constitutional Court of Korea," getting a good response from the participants.

*See attached the photos

What is the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions (AACC)?

- It is an international organization established to promote the exchange of human, non-human resources between constitutional courts and equivalent institutions in Asia.
- It was officially launched through its Inaugural Congress in Seoul, May 2012.
- There are 13 members in total, and member countries are Afghanistan, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Pakistan, the Philippines, Russia, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkey and Uzbekistan.

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Actor Kim Myung-min Appointed as the Court's Goodwill Ambassadors



Actor Kim Myung-min, well known as the symbol of social justice through his acts in TV drama series, starts serving as Goodwill Ambassador for the Constitutional Court of Korea.

With President of the Court Park Han-Chul attending, the Court held an appointment ceremony at its conference room, July 8.

Having been appointed by the Court, Goodwill Ambassador Kim will be actively engaged in public relations for the Court as well as the upcoming 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice scheduled for September t

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Application for the Full-day DMZ tour option (FP-1) is closed early due to its limited tour capacity. The Cultural Programmes of the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice include three full-day and two half-day tour options on October 1st.

In case of the FP-1 option, the number of participants is limited to 70 for operational reasons, and reservations were made on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants who have not yet submitted an application form for the Cultural Programmes or a registration form for the Congress will be encouraged to choose one of the other programmes.

Through the Cultural Programmes, the participants of the 3rd Congress will experience various attractions of Korea such as DMZ, Hwaseong Fortress, Hyundai Namyang R&D Center, Changdeokgung, NANTA performance, and so on.

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Third Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice scheduled for Sep. 28 to Oct. 1, 2014

On the topic of "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration," the Constitutional Court of Korea will host the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice (WCCJ), a four-day international conference that brings together top leaders in constitutional justice from around the world in Seoul starting from Sep. 28 this year. The Congress will be represented by the heads of all courts exercising constitutional jurisdiction, such as constitutional and supreme courts, as well as the representatives of international organisations from approximately 100 countries, who will present ways to resolve the intensifying social conflicts faced not just by Asia, but by the world at large.

The World Conference on Constitutional Justice, a permanent body uniting constitutional courts, constitutional councils and supreme courts across the world, was organised to promote constitutional justice as the key element of human rights protection, democracy and the rule of law. The courts of constitutional jurisdiction across the globe have formed regional or language-based groups in their respective regions, such as the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions, the Association of Constitutional Courts using the French Language and the Conference of European Constitutional Courts, in their concerted efforts to share experience and knowledge. And the Venice Commission, which acts as the Council of Europe's advisory body on constitutional matters, has been

providing support in these activities. In this context, it has come to the attention of the Venice Commission that these regional, linguistic groups should be expanded to a global scale by involving all courts exercising constitutional jurisdiction around the world. Finally in January 2009, the Commission held the first Congress jointly with the Constitutional Court of South Africa, marking the first step for the World Conference on Constitutional Justice. The Commission held the second Congress in cooperation with the Federal Supreme Court of Brazil in January 2011, and the draft statute of the World Conference was made more specific on that occasion. This draft statute was adopted at a meeting of the Bureau of the World Conference in May 2011 and entered into force in September the same year, finally taking shape as a permanent body. In the initial stage in 2011, there were merely 30 constitutional courts/councils and supreme courts that joined as members. But within three years, the membership increased dramatically to 90 countries (as of July 2014) and the members engaged in active exchange and cooperation, which has turned the World Conference into the highest-level forum on constitutional justice in the true sense of the word.

The upcoming 3rd Congress of the World Conference follows the ones in South Africa and Brazil in 2009 and 2011, respectively. Being held for the first time since the World Conference officially became a permanent body, it is also dubbed the inaugural Congress. And holding this inaugural gathering in the Asian continent instead of Europe that has a long history in constitutional justice is very meaningful indeed. The international community anticipates the forthcoming Congress to be an opportunity for democracy and the rule of law to advance further and promote human rights throughout the Asian region.

The topic of the 3rd Congress is "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration," and participants from countries around the world will pool their experience and expertise and propose ways to achieve social integration. The topic proposed by the Korean Constitutional Court was adopted at a meeting of the Bureau of the World Conference. The remarkably rapid growth of the Republic of Korea came with a number of causes for conflicts yet unresolved, and the Korean Constitutional Court has been acting as a mediator of such conflicts in its efforts to bring society together. However, conflict and division is not an issue of Korea alone. Since the financial crises in 1998 and 2008, conflicts have been intensifying not just in Korea but in other corners of the world; this is a very timely topic.

Korea's full-blown democracy and the Constitutional Court

Driven by the overwhelming desire of the Korean people to achieve true democracy, the Constitutional Court of Korea came into being on Sep. 1, 1988. The Court's achievements over the past 26 years have been truly remarkable. Simply by the facts, a total of 25,012 cases were handled as of late June 2014, and in as many as 1,227 cases, the Court struck down contested laws (unconstitutional or constitutionally incompatible) or upheld complaints against the violation of fundamental rights by governmental powers. These figures attest to the fact that, for the past 26 years, constitutional justice was most active and effective throughout Korea's constitutional history. Thanks to more vibrant use of constitutional justice, constitutional norms have become a practical standard for various legislative acts or the exercise of governmental powers; the Constitution has established itself as the supreme law of the land that permeates peoples' everyday lives. What is more, constitutional justice functions as the final mediator of social conflicts and divisions surrounding the issues of national, social importance and has earned the highest trust of the Korean people.

As one of Asia's leading nations in constitutional justice, the Korean Constitutional Court has constantly worked to share its achievements with other countries. The Court has transferred its experience and knowledge to many countries, including Cambodia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Thailand and Turkey, and recently, played a leading role in creating a regional forum for constitutional justice in Asia, namely the "Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions" and hosted the Association's Inaugural Congress in 2012. Moving forward, the upcoming 3rd Congress of the World Conference is expected to serve as a forum to share the Korean model of constitutional justice, which differentiates itself from the two key pillars modeled after the systems of the United States and Germany, with not just the Asian countries, but the entire world.



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The leaders of constitutional courts from almost 100 countries gather in Seoul

The Constitutional Court of Korea will host the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice (WCCJ), a four-day event that brings together the leaders of constitutional justice from around the world, in Seoul from Sep. 28 to Oct. 1, 2014. The Congress, on the topic of "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration", will be the largest event ever attended by the heads of constitutional courts, supreme courts and constitutional councils, as well as representatives of international organisations from nearly 100 countries around the world. This is unprecedented in the history of constitutional justice. So what is the secret behind this? What made it possible for constitutional justice to assemble the leaders of constitutional courts from all over the world despite its not-so-long history compared to other judicial jurisdictions? Maybe it is because countries around the world share the common ultimate goal of pursuing constitutional justice, namely to enhance the development of democracy, rule of law, and human rights protection through more active constitutional adjudication, despite their varying histories and different political, economic, and cultural environments.

The participants of the Congress are the highest-level officials of great influence over decision making in

their own countries. Among them are President Andreas Voßkuhle of the German Federal Constitutional Court, who has played a leading role in the development of the world's constitutional justice, Chief Justice Mogoeng Mogoeng of the South African Constitutional Court who hosted the 1st Congress, President Ricardo Lewandowski of the Supreme Federal Court of Brazil who hosted the 2nd Congress, and Chief Justice Hamdan Zoelva of the Indonesian Constitutional Court who will host the 3rd Congress of the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions in 2016. Additionally, Chief Justice Robert French of the High Court of Australia will also take part in the Congress for the first time. Most participants come from Europe, followed by Africa, Asia, and America.

Under the main topic of "Constitutional Justice and Social Integration", participants from across the globe will share each other's experiences and put together their wisdom to propose solutions to the intensifying social conflicts faced by not just Asia, but the entire world. The topic, proposed by the Korean Constitutional Court and adopted by the Bureau of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice, will be discussed in five plenary sessions on five sub-topics, each of which will have a session chair, a keynote speaker, and a rapporteur. The role of session chairs will be to moderate the discussions; the keynote speakers will be invited to make introductory statements based on the members' replies to the questionnaire to serve as the basis for discussions to follow; and the rapporteurs will be invited to report on the results of the discussions at the final plenary session.

The first session will address the sub-topic on "Challenges of Social Integration in a Globalised World". The session chair will be assigned to the president of the Spanish Constitutional Court, the president of the Algerian Constitutional Council will be the keynote speaker, and the president of the Russian Constitutional Court will be the rapporteur. In the second session, the participants will discuss the topic of "International Standards for Social Integration". The president of the Constitutional Council of Morocco will be the session chair, the president of the Korean Constitutional Court will deliver the keynote speech, and the president of the Gabonese Constitutional Court will act as the rapporteur. The third session is about "Constitutional Instruments Enhancing/Dealing with/for Social Integration," which will be moderated by the chief justice of the South African Constitutional Court. A justice of the Turkish Constitutional Court will make the keynote speech, and a justice of the Angolan Constitutional Court will take part as the rapporteur. Moderated by the Assistant Secretary General of the Constitutional Court of Bahrain, the fourth session will cover "The Role of Constitutional Justice in Social Integration". The Chief Justice of the Supreme Federal Court of Brazil will be the keynote speaker of this session, and a Justice of the Korean Constitutional Court will serve as the rapporteur. The last session will focus on the topic of "Independence of Constitutional Courts-Stocktaking," which will be moderated by the vice-president of the Austrian Constitutional Court. The president of the Hungarian Constitutional Court will present the keynote speech, and the president of the Constitutional Court of Dominican Republic has agreed to be the rapporteur.

During the four-day Congress, the participants will be able to see and experience the diverse aspects of Korea, such as its beautiful art and culture, long history and tradition, economic and social developments, etc. The welcome reception will be held at The Shilla Seoul, Korea's most prestigious and representative hotel that is also the venue for the Congress. The farewell dinner will be held at the National Museum of Korea, a national repository of cultural heritage that houses more than 300,000 national treasures. There are also cultural programmes for the participants and their spouses, which include tours to the Demilitarised Zone, Changdeokgung Palace and Suwon Hwaseong Fortress, and a non-verbal cooking performance NANTA.

Justice Kang Ilwon of the Korean Constitutional Court, who serves as the Chairperson of the Preparatory Committee for the 3rd Congress of the WCCJ, said: "The upcoming 3rd Congress is the third of its kind

following the first Congress in South Africa in 2009 and the second Congress in Brazil in 2011. But it is also called the 'inaugural' Congress, being the first gathering since the World Conference officially became a permanent body. In particular, it is very meaningful that such an important Congress is being held in Asia instead of Europe that has a long history in constitutional justice. I hope that this Congress will be an opportunity to further advance democracy and the rule of law, as well as promote human rights across the Asian region."

The World Conference, a permanent forum uniting constitutional courts, supreme courts, and constitutional councils across the world, was organised to promote constitutional justice as the key element of human rights protection, democracy and the rule of law. The courts of constitutional jurisdiction across the globe have been forming regional or language-based groups in their respective regions, such as the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions, the Association of Constitutional Courts using the French Language, and the Conference of European Constitutional Courts, in their concerted efforts to share experience and knowledge. And the Venice Commission, which acts as the Council of Europe's advisory body on constitutional matters, has been providing support in these activities. In this context, it has come to the attention of the Commission that these regional, linguistic groups should be expanded to a global scale by involving all courts exercising constitutional jurisdiction around the world.

In January 2009, the Commission held the first Congress jointly with the Constitutional Court of South Africa, which signalled the first step in the history of the World Conference. The Commission also held the second Congress in cooperation with the Supreme Federal Court of Brazil in January 2011, and the draft statute of the World Conference was made more specific on that occasion. This draft statute was adopted at a meeting of the Bureau of the World Conference in May 2011 and came into force in September the same year, finally taking shape as a permanent body. In its initial stage in 2011, the World Conference had only 30 constitutional courts/councils and supreme courts as members. But within three years, the membership increased dramatically to 91 countries (as of August 2014) and the members have engaged in active exchange and cooperation since, which has developed the World Conference into the world's highest-level forum on constitutional justice in the true sense of the word.

Development of constitutional justice in Asia and the Korean Constitutional Court

Since its establishment in September 1988, the Constitutional Court of Korea has constantly worked to share its achievements with other countries over the past 26 years. The Court has transferred its experience and knowledge to many Asian countries through partnerships and exchanges, including Cambodia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Thailand, and Turkey. Recently, the Court also played a leading role in creating a regional forum for constitutional justice in Asia, namely the "Association of Asian Constitutional Courts and Equivalent Institutions," and hosted the Association's Inaugural Congress in 2012. As of July 2010, the Association started with seven member countries: Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, the Philippines, Thailand, and Uzbekistan. However, the number of member countries increased to 14 with Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkey, and Russia joining within only a few years, and thus the Association has grown into a regional group of constitutional courts representing Asia. Moving forward, the Association is expected to further promote constitutional justice in the Asian region.

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The 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice hosted by the Constitutional Court of Korea from September 28 to October 1 concluded with a great success. The event, being the first gathering since the World Conference became a permanent body with the entry into force of its statute, was attended by the heads of constitutional courts, supreme courts, constitutional councils and representatives of international organizations from almost 100 countries around the world, who engaged in intensive discussions on the topic of “Constitutional Justice and Social Integration.”

The participants of the Congress adopted the Seoul Communiqué as an outcome document summarizing the results of the two-day sessions, which also contains the proposal of President Park Han-Chul to promote discussions on international cooperation in human rights, including the possibility of establishing a human rights court in Asia.

Recently, the Constitutional Court of Korea has been transferring its experience and knowledge to a number of other countries, including Cambodia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Thailand, and Turkey. And the 3rd Congress served as an opportunity for the Court to promote the Korean system of constitutional justice, one that differs from the German or U.S. models, beyond Asia and reach out to the whole world.

In addition to the plenary sessions, the 3rd Congress also arranged social and cultural programs for the participants, such as the welcome reception and a dinner hosted by the Prime Minister. The participants experienced the past and

present of this country by touring Changdeokgung, Hwaseong Fortress, and DMZ, as well as watching the non-verbal performance NANTA.

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President Park Han-Chul visited the Constitutional Court of Lithuania located in the country's capital, Vilnius, on November 6 (local time) and met with the Court's President Dainius Zalimas.

Lithuania is the host of the 4th Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice in 2017, and President Park shared with President Zalimas his experience of hosting the 3rd Congress of the World Conference held in Seoul last year. They also agreed to continue the cooperation between the two Courts.

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Justice Kang Ilwon was unanimously elected a member of the Bureau for a two-year term at the 105th Plenary Session of the Venice Commission held in Venice, Italy from December 17 to 19.

The Bureau of the Venice Commission consists of the President, three Vice-Presidents, and four members of the Bureau, who decide key administrative matters of the Commission, including the organization of plenary sessions.

Justice Kang was the only member of the Bureau elected from a non-European country, which is a testament to the Commission's recognition of the leading position of the Constitutional Court of Korea within Asia and the Korean member's role that is representative of Asia.

Justice Kang said, "My election as member of the Bureau within one year after my appointment as Co-President of the Joint Council on Constitutional Justice last year attests to the high international status of Korea as well as the Korean Constitutional Court."

The Venice Commission, officially known as the European Commission for Democracy through Law, was established in May 1990 to advance democracy to East Europe, and currently has 60 members, including 47 EU countries and 13 non-European countries.

Justice Kang has been serving as an individual member and the first Asian Co-President of the Joint Council on Constitutional Justice (two-year term) since December last year. He is playing a very active role in the Commission, such as submitting an amicus curiae brief on Moldova's Law on Professional Integrity Testing in 2014 and presenting comments on the Draft Law on Introduction of Changes and Amendments to the Constitution of the Kyrgyz Republic at an international forum organized by the EU and the UNDP.

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Acting President Kim bound for the 4th Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice to Deliver Keynote Speech on Different Concepts of the Rule of Law

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The Acting President Kim, Yisu is set to depart on September 10 to attend the 4th Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice to be held from September 11 to 14, 2017 in Vilnius, Lithuania.

- Hosted jointly by the Venice Commission and Constitutional Court of the Republic of Lithuania, the event is going to have presidents of about 60 constitutional institutes from the world, who will intensively discuss ‘The Rule of Law and Constitutional Justice in the Modern World.’
- The Acting President will give a keynote speech on the Different Concepts of the Rule of Law at the first session on September 12.
- He will also attend meetings of the Bureau of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice and regional and linguistic groups (AACC) to make important decisions and have bilateral meetings with the French Constitutional Council and other institutes to discuss how to exchange and cooperate with each other.
- Since its establishment to promote constitutional justice that protects democracy, human rights and rule of law, the WCCJ has 10 regional and linguistic groups and 110 members in the world as of September 2017.
- The Constitutional Court of Korea successfully hosted the 3rd Congress of the WCCJ by inviting 109 constitutional institutes and international courts from 92 countries in September 2014.

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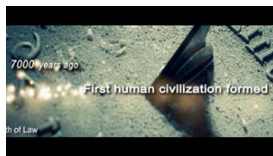
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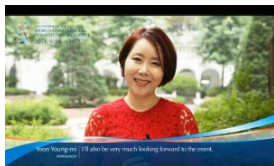
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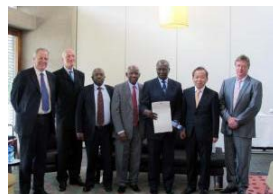
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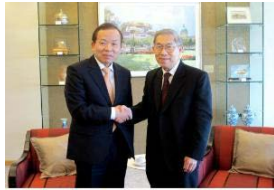
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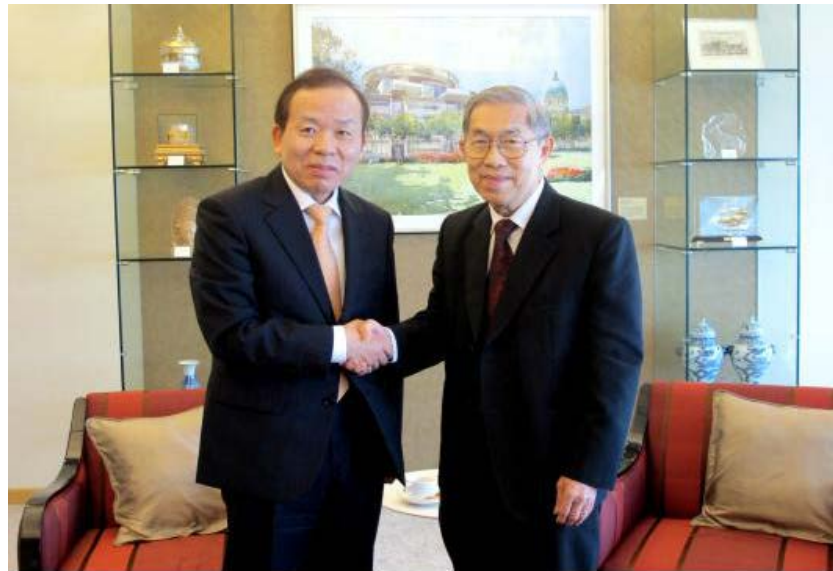
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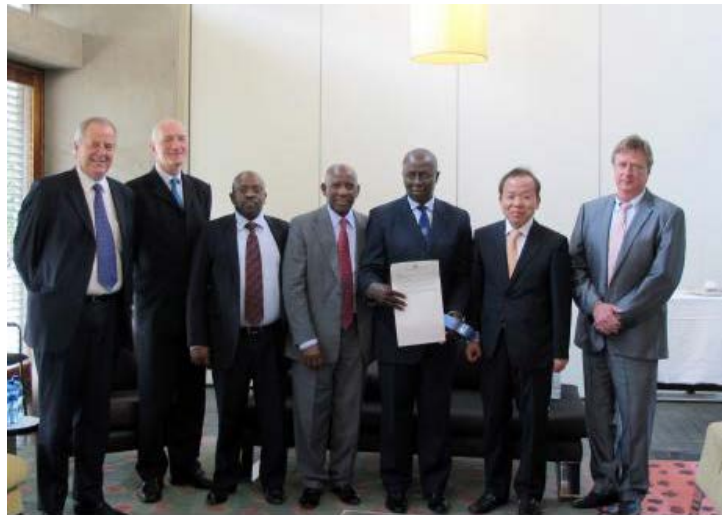
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Actor Kim Myung-min, well known as the symbol of social justice through his acts in TV drama series, starts serving as Goodwill Ambassador for the Constitutional Court of Korea.



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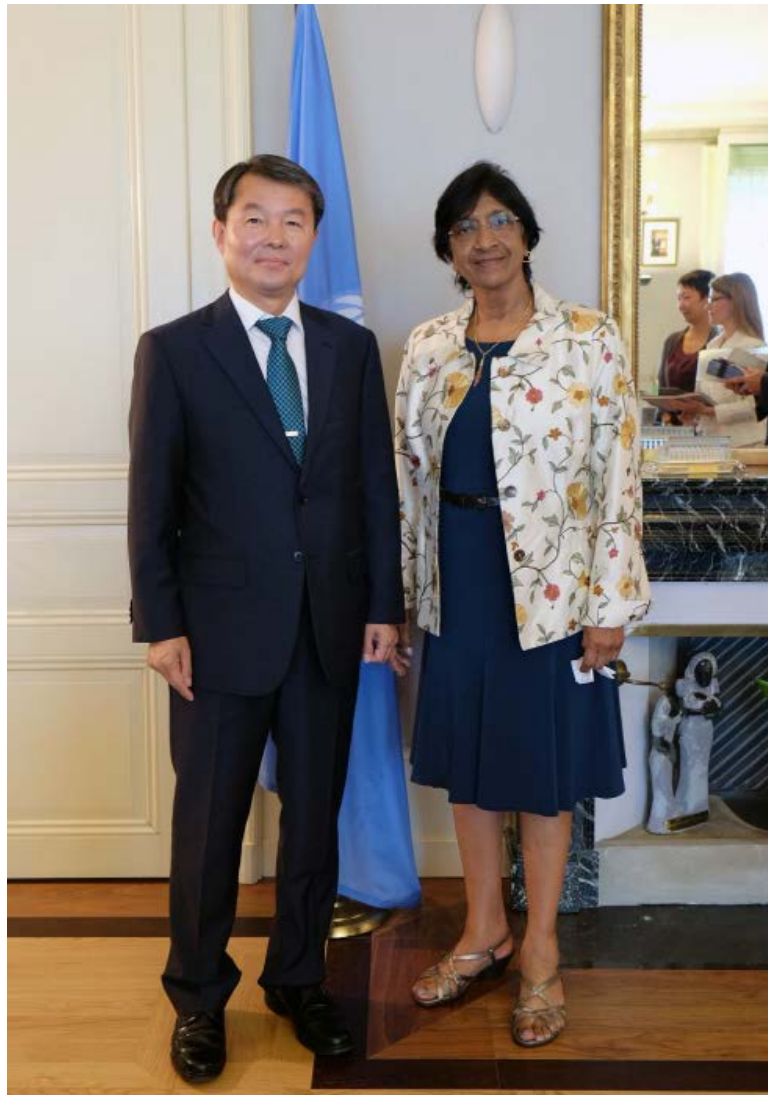
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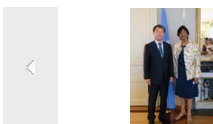
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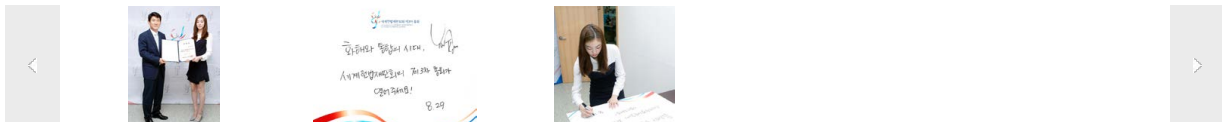
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Assurance of fundamental rights,
Control for power, and
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The Constitutional Court of Korea is composed of nine Justices.

The Constitutional Court of Korea was established in September 1988 in response to the citizen's strong longing for "assurance of fundamental rights, control for power, and social integration." The Court is led by a bench of nine Justices; three Justices are appointed by the President of the Republic, three are appointed by the elected members of the Legislature (National Assembly), and three are designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

The President of the Constitutional Court is appointed by the President of the Republic among the Justices with the consent of the National Assembly. The status of the President of the Constitutional Court is equivalent to that of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Also, the status of a Justice of the Court is equal to that of a Supreme Court Justice. The term of each Justice is six years and may be renewed.

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Reviewing the Constitutionality of Legislation

The Court has the authority to review the constitutionality of laws and to nullify any law found to violate the Constitution.

When the constitutionality of a statute is at issue, a court may request the Constitutional Court to rule on the constitutionality of the statute. When a court of law requests review of a statute by the Constitutional Court, the underlying proceedings will be suspended until the Constitutional Court makes a decision.

Statutes found unconstitutional by the Court lose its legal effect from the date the court decision is made and the ruling legally binds all other courts, state agencies, and local government authorities.

Impeachment Ruling

The Constitutional Court has exclusive jurisdiction over impeachment proceedings brought against high-ranking public officials or other public officials designated by law for their violation of the Constitution or laws in performing official duties. When a request of impeachment is upheld, the Court pronounces a decision that the accused person be removed from the office.

Dissolution of Political Parties

In a democratic nation, each person enjoys the right to participate in politics and freedom to form a political party. However, if the purpose of a political party is contrary to the fundamental democratic order, the executive branch may request the Constitutional Court to dissolve the political party and the Court can decide upon.

Resolution of Competence Disputes

When controversy regarding competency or authority arises between state agencies, between local government subdivisions, or between a state agency and local government, the affected state agency or local government may submit the matter to the Constitutional Court for review and resolution.

Constitutional Complaints

Any person whose fundamental rights guaranteed under the Constitution have been infringed by a government authority may file a constitutional complaint and request the Constitutional Court to review the constitutionality of the government action to nullify any effect of the action found to be unconstitutional. A ruling of the Constitutional Court is legally binding all courts of law, state agencies, and local governments. Therefore, when the Court rules that a government act or failure to act is unconstitutional, the government actor must conform his or her actions in accordance with the ruling.

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President Park Han-Chul

Born March 25, 1953.

Received na LL. B. from Seoul National University.

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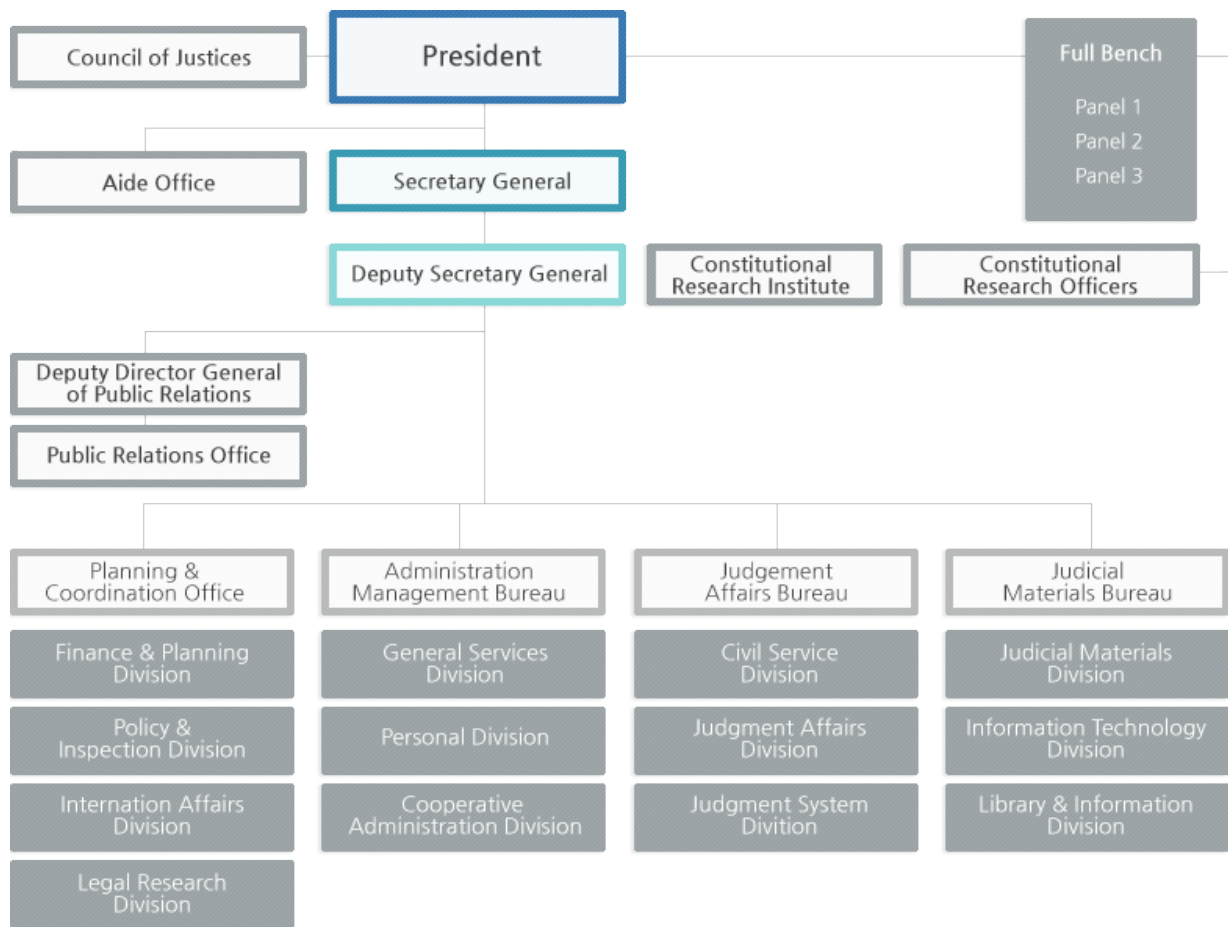
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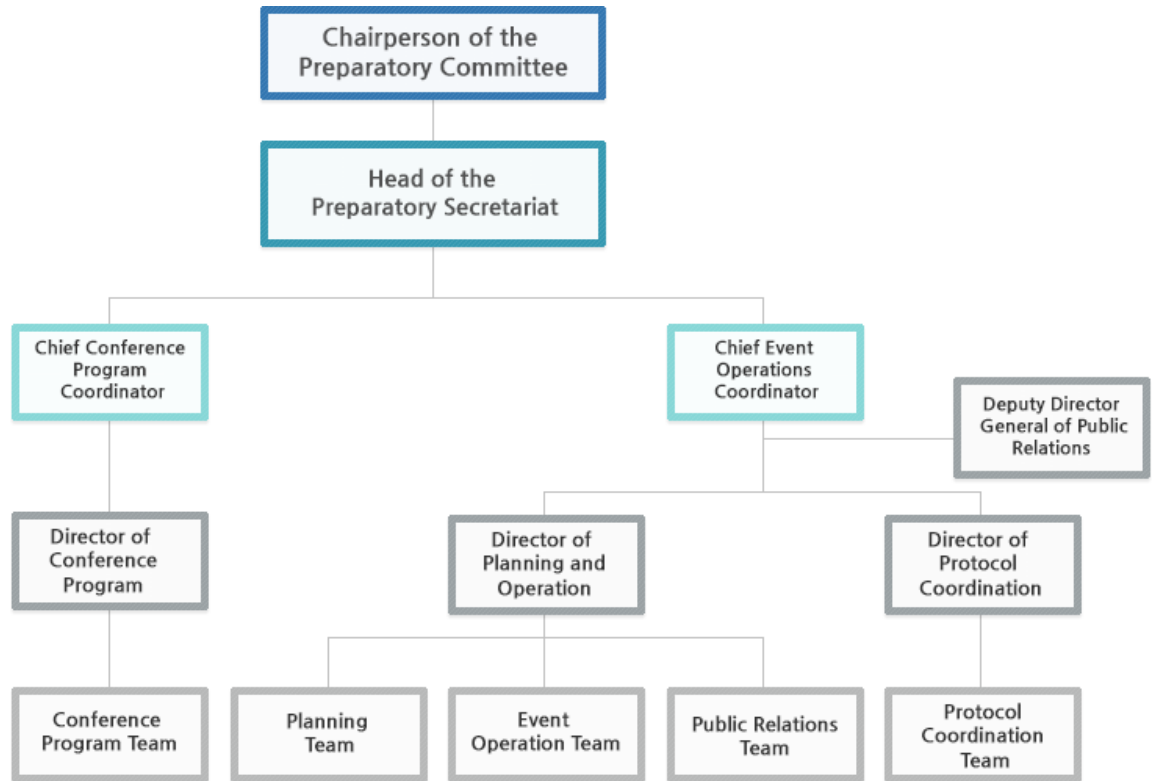
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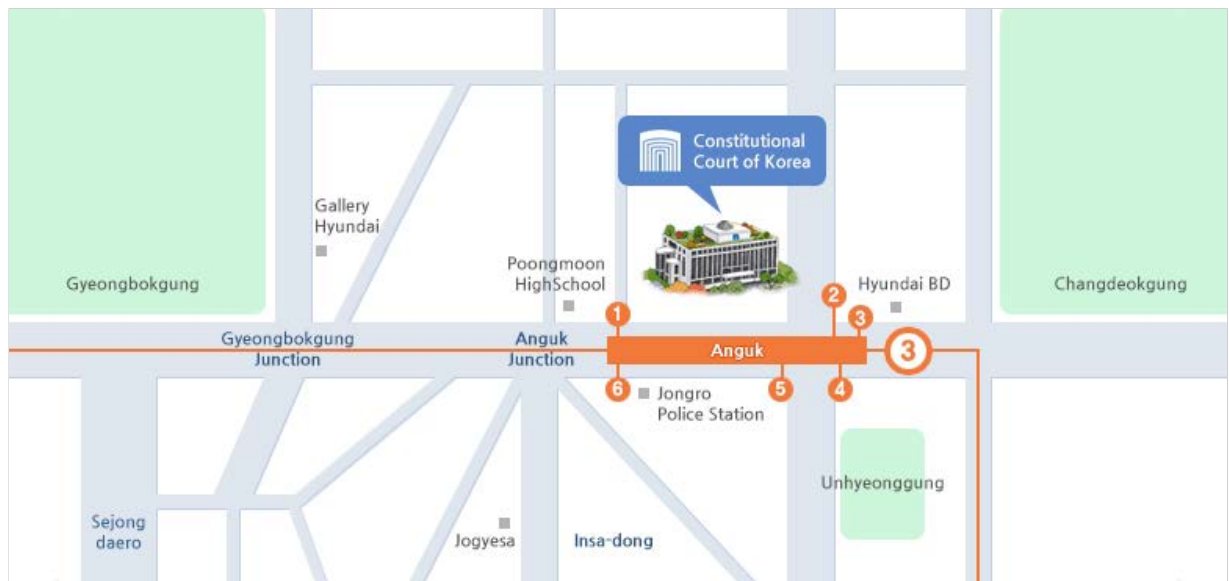
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