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## We welcome the Class of 1999!

With Honorable Ambassador of Vietnam Nguyen Van Xuong and Rep. Yong-Hwan Kim, a Member of the National Assembly

The KDI School of International Policy and Management held a year-opening ceremony for the Class of 1999 on March 2 at the Ambassador Hall. At the ceremony were many special guests including Rep. Yong-Hwan Kim, Senior Vice President of United Liberal Democrats; Ambassador Nguyen Van Xuong, Ambassador of Vietnam; and Mr. Yoon-Ki Kim, President of Korea Land Corporation.

Following the welcoming remarks by the Rector Jin-Soon Lee, and congratulatory remarks by Rep. Yong-Hwan Kim and Ambassador Nguyen Van Xuong, Ms. Joo-Hee Shin, a second year student representative, greeted the Class of 1999. After the ceremony, all members of the KDI

School were invited to a luncheon hosted by Dean Gill-Chin Lim in the Lincoln Hall.

This year, a total of ninety-two students entered the KDI School, of which twenty-four are international students and sixty-eight are of Korean origin. Among the twenty four international students ten are from four different countries, who came to Korea sponsored by the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA).

Most of the international students will finish their coursework in one year and return to their countries from which they will continue to work on their Master's degree thesis. —

*"I am a  
SPOKESPERSON,  
I am a  
PROBLEM-SOLVER,  
I am a  
TEAMWORKER  
for the SCHOOL."*

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Year-opening Ceremony for the Class of 1999 with special guests Mr. Yong-Hwan Kim, a member of the National Assembly; Honorable Nguyen Van Xuong, Ambassador of Vietnam; and Mr. Yoon-Ki Kim, President of Korea Land Corporation

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**1999 State of the School Message – Dean Gill-Chin Lim**


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The KDI School of International Policy and Management opened on March 1, 1998. Today, we begin our second academic year.

We are perhaps the youngest professional school of international affairs. We are young in our mind, will, imagination and emotion. Our faculty, students and staff show an unusual degree of youthfulness in our approach to our mission—education, research and public service. Our faculty, who combines rich experiences and critical perspectives, create a dynamic and innovative atmosphere for students. Our students, an intelligent and enthusiastic group with diverse backgrounds, enliven the academic and cultural life of the school. And our dedicated administrative staff solidly support us. I believe that our school will remain youthful forever in its search for truth and commitment to its mission.

Last year we began the First Three-year Strategic Plan with the goal of becoming a professional graduate school of highest standards, which can compete in the global education field.

The Plan consists of the following three steps.

- 1998: Establishment of basic philosophy and vision.
- 1999: Establishment of organizational system and administrative processes
- 2000: Implementation of strategies

The Second Three-year Strategic Plan will cover the years 2001-2003 during which time, we will evaluate the first three years and reformulate the

School's strategies.

Our vision into the new millennium is the Global Education Community—the theme of the 1998 International Conference. We will be the focus of this vision.

Specifically, our School has six strategic directions:

- Education: Educate professional experts with vision and morality.
- Research: Research aimed at advancement of well being of the people and global progress.
- Public Service: Service to implement the principles of democracy and market.
- Organization: Efficient system utilizing information technology and scientific knowledge.
- Environment: Comfortable, safe and ecological environment for study, work and living.
- Culture: Mutual respect, warm and humane interactions among all people .

In implementing our ideas, we will employ the five step strategic model.

- Analysis of problems
- Goalsetting
- Preparation of alternatives
- Evaluation of alternatives and choice
- Implementation and monitoring

I want to thank all members of the School whose deep insight and unselfish dedication have made our first year rewarding and successful. Let us move together toward the new millennium with our pioneering spirit. —

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**CALENDAR of EVENTS – March to June, 1999**


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3. 2	Classes Begin
3. 8 – 3. 12	Course Change/Add-Drop Period
3. 11	KDI Foundation Day
4. 5	Arbor Day (School Closed)
4. 24 – 25	Forum on Reform of Bank Corporate Governance
4. 27 – 30	International Real Estate Education Program: New Approaches in International Real Estate Investment and Management
5. 5	Children's Day (School Closed)
5. 10 – 5. 14	Comprehensive Examination
5. 24 – 6. 18	Special Program for the New Assistant Directors of the National Assembly Secretariat
5. 31 – 6. 4	Final Examination
6. 7 – 6. 11	Review and Proposal Preparation (RAPP)
6. 11	Classes Close
6. 14 – 6. 18	Spring Break/Registration for Summer Session
6. 18 – 19	Forum on Reform of Governance System of Securities Corp. In Korea
6. 21	Classes Resume
6. 25	Deadline for Thesis Submission for Master's Degree
6. 28 – 7. 2	Course Change/Add-Drop Period

## School Events and Programs

### Forum on Reform of Bank Corporate Governance

*“Korea, after almost four decades of impressive growth, suddenly faced a severe economic crisis in 1997. To rebuild its economy and credibility, Korea needs fundamental reform of its economic structure and management practice. In this process of reform, Korean banks are compelled to play a critical role and their directors are expected to take an initiative to bring efficient and transparent governance of Korean banks.”* — from the Invitation

Sponsored by the Korea Federation of Banks and organized by the KDI School of International Policy and Management, the Forum on Reform of Bank Corporate Governance was held during April 24 – 25, 1999 at Oak Valley Resort in Kangwon Province. This forum was the first meeting of bank directors to seek new directions for bank corporate governance. Around one hundred

people participated in this meeting to discuss the roles of the boards and the newest management techniques with many prominent experts from Korea, US, Hong Kong, and the World Bank. The meeting was a great success, and many participants thanked the KDI School for its innovative efforts and dedication to global education. —



Forum on Reform of Bank Corporate Governance

### Special Program for the New Assistant Directors of the National Assembly Secretariat

Seventeen newly appointed assistant directors of the National Assembly Secretariat came to the KDI School for a three week long seminar from May 24 to June 18, 1999. The seminar was organized by the Planning Team of the School, and was a great success. Through this seminar, the officers of the National Assembly were introduced to the newest knowledge on proceedings, legislation, and budget and administrative management techniques. Upon their completion of the program, they officially became the members of the KDI School alumni. —



Closing Ceremony of a three-week long Seminar for the Assistant Directors of the National Assembly Secretariat

### Seminar on International Finance and Management



Seminar on International Finance and Management

The Seminar on International Finance and Management, which lasted for five full days from March 15 to 19, 1999, was designed in time to respond to the currency/financial crisis in Korea and to further globalize the world capital market. The lectures, given by Prof. William Handorf of George Washington University, USA, and many more experts and professors from the World Bank, MOFE, KDI School, etc., emphasized the elements of strategic management and technical capabilities dealing with analysis, supervision, and management. —



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**KDI School News**


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**Noh-Kyoung Kim Participates in International IDEA's 1999 Democracy Forum: "Youth and Democracy"**

Ms. Noh-Kyoung Kim, a Master's student in EP, was selected to participate in the International IDEA's 1999 Democracy Forum held on June 18-19 in Sweden. IDEA paid for her

round trip airfare, meal and accommodation, and transfer from the airport to Hasseludden Conference & Yasuragi. The Forum consisted of four main sessions with two research projects and five workshops. More than 100 young students, between the ages of 18—30, from around 60 countries met together with politicians, practitioners and academics in the field of democracy to exchange ideas and discuss issues of common concern.

**Networking for the Future**

The KDI School has established an official aca-

demetic student exchange relationship with JIBS. Two of our students are scheduled to go to the Jonkoping International Business School (JIBS) in Sweden this coming fall. JIBS offers many of its courses in English and has a truly international environment for its students.

As for student exchange, JIBS has the most active and largest business/economic program in Sweden in terms of both the number of international students studying at JIBS (190 in 1998—99) and abroad (230 in 1998—99).

The following is a list of schools that are participating in KDI School's exchange programs:

- Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (UCSD), San Diego, USA
- Leipzig Graduate School of Management, Germany
- Jonkoping International Business School, Jonkoping University, Sweden
- The Ministry of Education, China

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**KDI School Selected as an APEC Education Hub**

*The KDI School made a proposal to become an APEC Education Hub institute at the 13th APEC Education Forum. The School received support from other APEC member countries including China, Singapore, Japan and the Philippines, and has now been officially selected as an APEC Education Hub.*

The idea of regional education hubs in the Asia-Pacific region was first raised in APEC in 1996, and endorsed at the November 1997 APEC meeting in Vancouver, Canada. A variety of co-funding formulas might be used depending upon the current economic situation and level of economic development of the host countries and the particular educational programs. For example, in the case of Singapore's APEC Education Hub, it has been suggested that there be APEC scholars who are offered scholarships funded jointly by the APEC Education Forum (APECEF), and the host APEC member country in which each education hub resides. The scholarships can cover the cost of tuition, maintenance and traveling expenses. The KDI School proposed to strengthen its program for these purposes with APECEF co-sponsorship of APEC scholars, starting in 1999 on a limited basis, and on a somewhat expanded basis in 2000.

The KDI School's aims and purposes fit very well with the proposal to establish a community of educational institutions, as specialized hubs in the various APEC countries, which will serve to educate members of APEC countries in the broad international context

of cooperation which APEC represents. The KDI School already gives tuition scholarships to students from foreign countries, with co-funding from the Korean government, and Korean businesses. This allows for a variety of international students to study at the school, creating an international atmosphere of intellectual and cultural exchange.

The creation of hubs for specialized study in academic institutions in the APEC economies should result in a network of education hubs. As people from various APEC countries study together based on multi-dimensional exchanges they will develop common interests and form friendships. This will, in the long-run, create a richer and more international educational atmosphere in the universities which act as hubs, in their countries, and in the whole region. It will also bring into being a network of APEC-scholar alumni who can bring various countries of the APEC region closer together in a variety of ways throughout their careers. —

- For more information, you can visit the following web sites:

[Http://203.247.188.14/apecfaq.html](http://203.247.188.14/apecfaq.html)

[Http://www.kdischool.ac.kr/engsum.html](http://www.kdischool.ac.kr/engsum.html)



## Students Activities

### KDI School's Global Brothers & Sisters Program

KDI School's Global Brothers and Sisters Program offers an opportunity for our students, both Korean and international, to get to know each other better and learn to appreciate the differences in culture and personality. Each Korean student is matched up with an international student to develop a close friendship through special activities like family dinners, homestay, etc.

To introduce the students to their 'brothers and sisters', Mr. Chan-Soo Park, Program Coordinator, called the first meeting and met with the participants on April 23rd, 1999 at Doupji. Please contact Chan-Soo Park for more details at his e-mail:

manager@kdischool.ac.kr . —

### International Students' Visit to the Korean Folk Village

International Students joined a one-

day field trip, organized by the Academic Affairs, to the Korean Folk Village on June 19, 1999 and had a great time. —



International students and some staff members at the Folk Village

### Remember the Magnolia Festival?

Do you remember Spring? Flowers? Delicious Cuisine?

International students of the KDI School participated in the Magnolia Festival held at the KDI on April 9, 1999 and demonstrated their cooking expertise to all who were there. It was said, by many, that the food from various parts of the world looked great, smelled awesome, and tasted superb. It was not the best weather for all to enjoy beautiful blossom of magnolia, but the exotic cuisine by our international students certainly brightened up many people's day. —



At the KDI, Magnolia Festival

### Sandwich Bazaar by Women's Committee

KDI School's Women's Committee held a Sandwich Bazaar on May 31, 1999 to help supplement the nearby Hongrung and Hongpa Elementary School children's lunch allowances. All committee members, including students and staff, got together and organized this special event by advertising, making sandwiches, and selling them. Total sales was recorded at 1.49 million Korean won, of which 99,260 won was donated by some faculty members and students. Excluding 198,960 won for costs, the Women's Committee raised a net profit of 1,349,300 (equivalent to US \$1,050.00) won through this event.

Both Hongrung and Hongpa elementary schools were each given the amount of 674,650 won, which would cover the cost of a month's lunch for 27 children from each school. Teachers of both schools expressed their sincere appreciation toward Dean Lim and all members of the KDI School who participated in the event for their kindness and love for the unfortunate children.

As part of our School's effort to help support the community, members of the Women's Committee hope to host more charity and other voluntary events like this on a regular basis. —

—by Hee-Yeon Kim  
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## LETTERS from the Readers

May 14, 1999



I am so pleased to be able to write to you again. I was thinking about writing to you for a long time but I could not find the right opportunity to do so as I have my e-mail at work.

First of all, I should extend my heartfelt thanks to you and to the school for the excellent education that you have provided. I realized that I learned so much there and I can use what I learned at my work here which is a real pleasure for me. By the way,

I should tell you that I was promoted as Treasury Expert after I came back to Turkey. I am trying to promote the KDI School and the capable staff in every opportunity that I have here. I talked about the School to the people from IMF and OECD. Indeed, the head of the OECD delegation to Turkey was also taking care of Korea and he promised me to visit the School when he goes there. He knows people from KDI itself and many people from the Korean government. I also participated in an OECD meeting in Paris on April 26th where I met with the Korean delegation. But I learned that the participant from the KDI was not able to make it at the last moment. They were very happy to meet somebody who studied in Korea in Paris...

Yours,

Ozugur Demirkol

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Dear All:

Greetings from Chen Ping!

As I am leaving on May 29, Saturday, for Beijing, I have a mixed feeling about my departure. On one hand, I am eager to join my family in China, on the other hand, I am reluctant to leave this country, where I have spent 12 months to pursue my advanced study. As an international student in KDI School, as a foreigner in

Korea, I have been very much impressed by the hospitality extended to me. I understand I have not been able to fully enjoy my stay here due to my illiteracy in *hangongmal*, but I am sure the memories will be with me for a long time to come -- memories of the school, of the beautiful scenery ( I am addicted to Sorak-san but feel sorry I failed to conquer the Chiri-san last year) and of the delicious food, especially the kimchi.

Even before I leave, I am planning a return trip. I might come back again as a tourist, and pretty soon -- I have not visited the famous Cheju Island (What a pity!). So keep in touch till then! If anyone has a chance to visit Beijing, let me know in advance so I can play host to you. I promise!

Respectfully yours,  
 Chen Ping

This page is open to anyone who wishes to write about any topic. Please submit your letter to The Globe Editor at any one of the following:

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 or in person, to the KDI School 6th Fl. (Ext. 1269)

**KDI School Community Service Program**

**Educom Education Program**

Thirty four neighboring elementary school teachers participated in the KDI School's first EDUCOM Education Program during April 16th and May 7th, 1999. Two of our students, Mr. Chan-Soo Park and Ms. Soo-Young Kim, served as instructors and taught the elementary school teachers English and how to use the Internet.

On May 7th, a Certification Ceremony was held upon successful completion of the program, and more than 140 people, including 80 children from Hongreung Elementary School, attended the cere-



mony and pizza party that followed. —

**Internet Connection between Hongpa and Crestwood**

Two schools, thousands of miles apart, became sister schools with the help of the KDI School's Community Service Program and coordinated by Ms. Young-Sook Park. Hongpa Elementary School, established in 1960 and with 1,198 students and 41 teachers in Seoul, and Crestwood Elementary School, established in 1980 and with 700 students and

39 teachers in Kent, Washington, exchanged their first e-mail message at the "Over the Pacific: International Connection Ceremony" on June 5, 1999 at 8:40 am. Students, teachers, and parents of both schools gathered in front of a computer and applauded as the first e-mail arrived. The students of both schools will form close friendships over the internet, share information, and learn to appreciate their similarities and differences. —

*"Someone once said,  
Education is not  
Received – it is achieved.  
At the  
KDI School, I believe  
that the faculty  
and my fellow classmates  
work together to realize  
this."  
Hye-Seung You, IR*

It is well known that you don't recognize that you have



something very special until you lose it. This thought is applicable now, as you become more conscious about all the values and what you think are insignificant traditions of your own nation. Further more, this could become your inspiration to help your country in not just an idealistic manner but in a practical one.

Then as time goes by, you can realize that you are receiving the most powerful tool, "knowledge". This instrument, combined with the interaction with Korean society, will make it possible for you to develop innovative ideas to share, creating the right atmosphere for the changing, globalized world.

We should be aware of all the benefits we are receiving here. This, combined with the noble feeling of missing home, can be converted into the strength needed for releasing the mist from the road to conquer the obstacles to a unified world. We have to acknowledge the challenges of this society, while taking advantage of all we can get from it. —

— by Jose Cevallos  
*International Students Representative*

**From the Student Representatives**

**Realizing the Values of an Interactive Relation with Korean Society**

It is easy to talk about the KDI School's academic situation, but as an international student I do not consider that to be the whole story. What can be considered the benefits of being here?

To answer that question, it is convenient to focus on the idea of how important it is to accommodate your life to a foreign country when you are becoming part of it. Definitely, the proper adjustment that you make today will enrich your background tomorrow.

This is not a matter of choice; it is a smart sign that you are a winner outside your country as well as a respectful individual of your host country.

It is obviously true that your graduate studies will enlarge your scope, and of course this is the way that is required to be a leader in the future. But, certainly the experience of looking at a different culture and sharing incredible amounts of thoughts and ideas with Koreans, as well as other international students, would definitely reinforce your ideals about the values of your own country.



**Alumni & Visitors**

*Members of the KDI School are encouraged to submit articles, letters, or pictures that will appear in future issues of the GLOBE newsletter. Each submission should be no longer than 300 words in length and can be submitted at any time to the GLOBE editors. Please contact Anna Song at 3299-1269 for further information.*

**News & Events**

- Mr. Ozgur Demirkol was promoted to Treasury Expert after he returned to Turkey
- Ms. Eun-Hyung Lee began her career as a Foreign Spokesperson for the Ministry of Commerce, Industry, & Energy as of December, 1998.
- Ms. Joo-Hee Shin began her career at McKinsey as of June 14, 1999.
- Mr. Won-tae Kim was assigned to a new post in Asiana's LA branch.

The alumni bank account is now open.

Account Name : KDI School  
 Bank Account : 312-22-10508-2  
 Fee: Korean Students (W100,000)  
 International Students (\$20)  
 All membership fee must be remitted by May 1st.

**Who's doing What?**

Mr. Bong-Seob Moon (EP) 's Wedding  
 Time : 14:00 hrs, on April 17th  
 Venue : The Olympic Hall in Pusan City Art Gallery in Pusan



Dean Lim and the Students with the Prime Minister of Ethiopia



Honorable Ambassador of Russia



KDI School students at FITT



With Ambassadors of Saudi Arabia and Vietnam



Opening of Chunji Sky Lounge



Honorable Ambassador of Argentina



With the Chairman of the Korea Federation of Banks

