

Tübingen Korean Studies Lectures



# SCREENING

## Documentary Film: SEWOL



**Director and Producer: Ok-Hee Jeong**

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**20.01. 2017 (FREITAG) | 14:00-16:00 Uhr s.t.  
Wilhelmstraße 133 | Raum 30**

**Synopsis:** A South Korean ferry named Sewol sank on April 16, 2014. 304 people died. 250 of them were teenagers from Danwon High School of Ansan city and were on a class trip. The cruel tragedy: The experts say that they could have been saved. The relatives of the victims are fighting for a thorough, transparent, and independent investigation that shall clarify the causes of the ferry tragedy, the failed rescue mission of the coast guard, and the failed crisis management of Park Geun-Hye's government.

The documentary film tells about the story of these relatives: About their grief, about their unbending and moving fight for the truth against the government of Park Geun-Hye, but also about their admirable effort for the improvement of South Korean society. It tells about the South Korean society which is still fighting against the heritage of the decade-long dictatorship and is still looking for the identity of the role of the state.

**Language:** Korean with German subtitles

**Ok-Hee Jeong** is a Berlin-based German journalist. Her work focuses on South Korea. Her articles have been published in ZEIT Online, taz, FAZ and bento, among others. SEWOL is her debuting film. She is currently working on her second documentary film, "Werner, Ger and Angelus," about same-sex couples in old age.

