



Tübingen Korean Studies Lecture Series

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Korea and Germany: Key Partners with Shared Values

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As this year marks the 140th anniversary of diplomatic ties between Korea and Germany, the Embassy of the Republic of Korea presents a special lecture titled “Korea and Germany: Key Partners with Shared Values.” The bilateral relations between Korea and Germany date back to the year 1883, marked by the signing of the “Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation.” Since that historic moment, both nations have achieved significant milestones, fostering partnership and friendship across various fields, including politics, the economy, trade, society, and culture. This lecture will offer a good opportunity to reflect on the history of the two countries’ bilateral relations, assess the current state of our connections, and explore avenues for continued thriving future of Korea and Germany.