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On December 5, 2025, Arizona State University, in partnership with the Korea Economic Institute of America and the Republic of Korea's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, hosted a public program titled "U.S.-ROK Cooperation in the Semiconductor and EV Battery Supply Chain."

As the United States and South Korea deepen cooperation in advanced technologies, semiconductor manufacturing, and electric-vehicle battery production, Arizona has emerged as a critical hub in the evolving industrial partnership. This program explored how both countries are working to strengthen secure, resilient supply chains that support economic security, technological innovation, and long-term strategic competitiveness.

The discussion brought together experts to assess the opportunities and challenges facing the semiconductor and EV battery sectors—including export controls, global competition, research collaboration, and the future of U.S.-Korea technological cooperation. The event highlighted how Korean investment and bilateral coordination are shaping the next generation of advanced manufacturing and innovation in the American Southwest.

Panel:

Lee Sung-hwan, Director-General for Diplomatic Strategy and Planning, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Lee Hyo-young, Associate Professor, Korean National Diplomatic Academy

Rodrigo Balbontín, Associate Director of Trade, IP, and Digital Technology Governance, Information Technology & Innovation Foundation

ASU Faculty Speaker: Sungik Yang, School of Historical, Philosophical and Religious Studies, Arizona State University

Moderated by: Güneş Murat Tezcür, Director, School of Politics and Global Studies, Arizona State University

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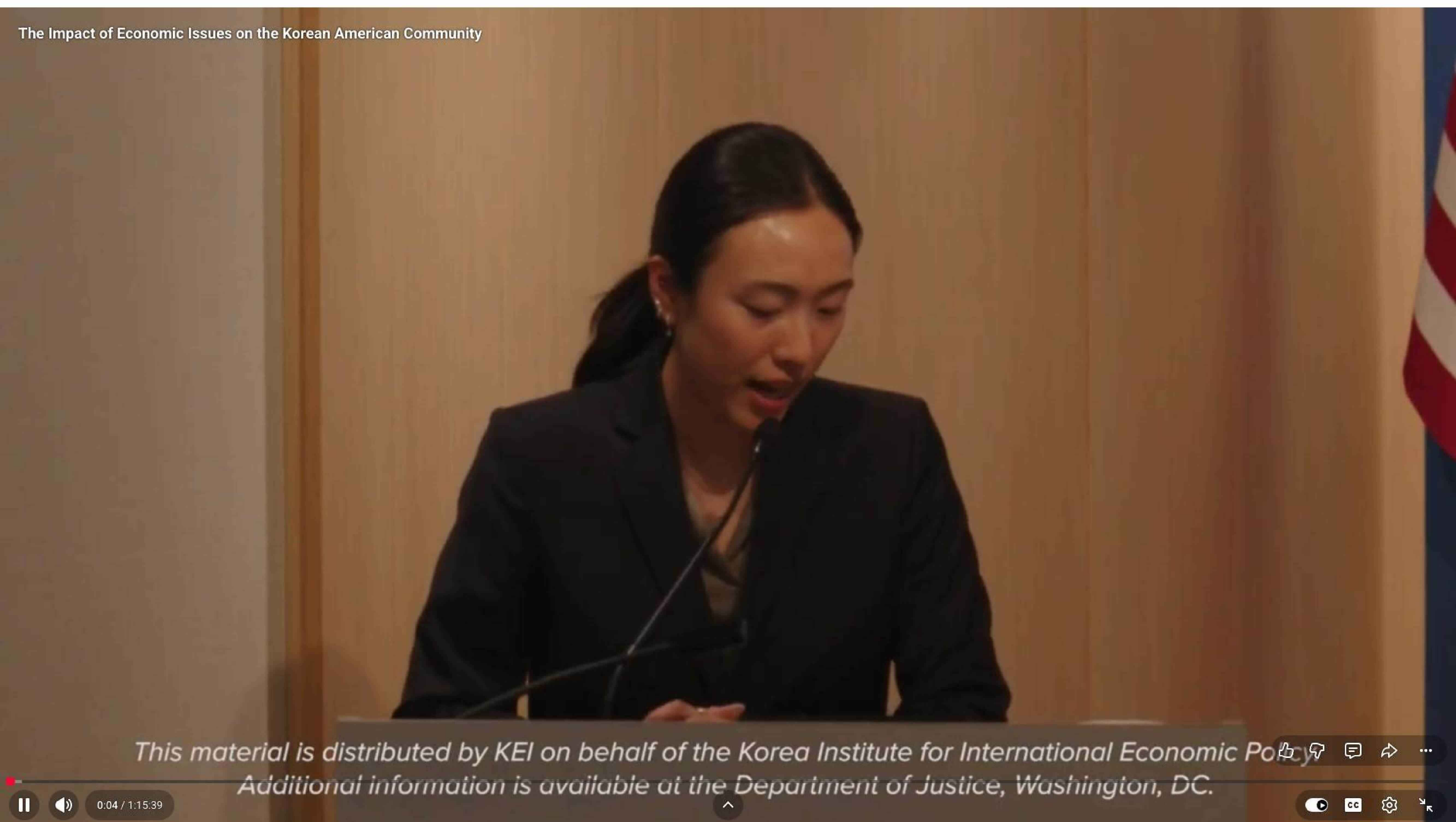
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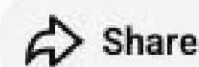
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Join us for the 18th Annual 727 Korean War Veterans Armistice Day Commemoration to mark the signing of the Korean War ceasefire agreement on July 27, 1953, as we honor the enduring legacy of Korean War veterans and stand together in support of peace on the Korean Peninsula.

Held in the historic Cannon Caucus Room on Capitol Hill, this event features remarks from Members of Congress and veterans; Korean traditional performances; and a candlelighting ceremony at 7:27 PM—a powerful moment symbolizing remembrance and hope.

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# America's New Defense Playbook and What It Means for the Indo-Pacific



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On January 23, 2026, the U.S. Government released its 2026 National Defense Strategy. The document explicitly identifies defending the U.S. homeland and interests in the Western Hemisphere as the country's top priority. In the Indo-Pacific, U.S. defense priorities focus on balancing deterrence and peaceful coexistence with China and emphasizing enhanced burden-sharing with regional allies and partners.

A clear shift from previous administrations, the Trump administration's pivot toward "critical but limited support" from U.S. forces in the region holds military, political, and strategic implications for allies and partners facing growing threats from North Korea and China.

Join KEI and the Institute for Indo-Pacific Security (IIPS) to discuss the evolution of U.S. defense priorities in the region and the implications of the newest defense strategy on South Korea, Japan, and Taiwan.

### Agenda

- 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Fireside Chat with Randall Schriver and Scott Snyder
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Panel Discussion moderated by Jennifer Hong

### Participants

- Randall Schriver, Chairman of the Board at The Institute for Indo-Pacific Security
- Scott Snyder, President and CEO, Korea Economic Institute of America
- Ellen Kim, Director of Academic Affairs, Korea Economic Institute of America
- Michael Mazza, Senior Director for Research, Institute for Indo-Pacific Security
- Yuki Tatsumi, Senior Director, Institute for Indo-Pacific Security
- Jennifer Hong (Moderator), Senior Director, Institute for Indo-Pacific Security

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