## CEAPCS Seminar "What Lies Ahead Amid Turmoil? Korean Politics and Japan–Korea Relations."

On Friday, June 20, 2025, the Ritsumeikan University Center for East Asian Peace and Cooperation Studies, in collaboration with the Ritsumeikan University Korea Research Center, held a seminar titled *"What Lies Ahead Amid Turmoil? Korean Politics and Japan–Korea Relations."* 

The seminar featured in-depth discussions on the current state and future prospects of South Korean politics under the new administration of President Lee Jae-myung, which came to power following several months of political turmoil triggered by the martial law crisis on December 3, 2024.

Topics ranged widely—from projections on President Lee's domestic and foreign policy directions, to concerns over internal societal issues such as the abuse of YouTube and the growing rightward shift among young South Korean males in their 20s.

Notably, with approximately 130 participants joining both online and in person, numerous insightful questions and comments were raised from the floor. This facilitated vibrant exchanges between the panel and the audience, making the symposium a highly engaging and meaningful event.

The Ritsumeikan University Center for East Asian Peace and Cooperation Studies actively promotes academic exchanges across linguistic and disciplinary boundaries through collaboration with various research organizations.

## Event Details

Date: Friday, June 20th, 2025, 15:00–17:30

**Venue:** Hirai Kaichiro Memorial Library Conference Room, Kinugasa Campus, Ritsumeikan University

**Organizer:** Ritsumeikan University Center for East Asian Peace and Cooperation Studies, Ritsumeikan University Center for Korean Studies **Support:** Korea Foundation (KF)

## Panelists

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