

Course Information

2026 Seoul Academy of International Law

June 29 (Mon.) – July 10 (Fri.), 2026

Seoul, Republic of Korea

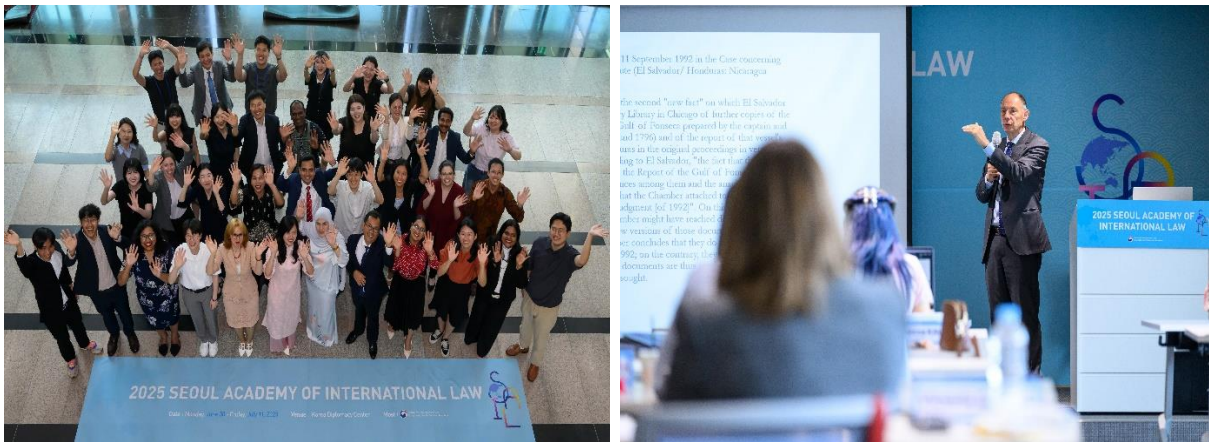


**Center for International Law
Korea National Diplomatic Academy**

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I . Program Overview



□ Program Objectives

The Seoul Academy of International Law (SAIL) is a training program organized by the Center for International Law (CIL) at the Korea National Diplomatic Academy (KNDA) which is part of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea. It provides courses lectured by prominent scholars and practitioners in the field of international law to participants from the Asia-Pacific region. The objective of the program is to promote greater understanding on current trends in international law among those involved in international law practice. In an effort to establish the rule of law in the region on a more solid basis, the SAIL aims, in particular:

- To enhance the participants' understanding about international law
- To promote exchange of views on contemporary international law
- To strengthen future cooperation and network between the participants and the ROK
- To facilitate knowledge sharing of participating countries' foreign policies in relation to current international legal issues

□ Participants

Participants in the program come from 27 countries in the Asia-Pacific region, and range widely from government officials, including diplomats and legal practitioners, to scholars, researchers as well as graduate students.

- Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Vietnam, and Republic of Korea

II. Course Information

□ Date and Venue

- **Date:** June 29 (Mon.) – July 10 (Fri.), 2026
- **Venue:** Korea National Diplomatic Academy (Seoul, Korea)

□ **Participants:** 36 participants from 27 countries in the Asia-Pacific region

□ Lecturers and Courses

<p>Hiroyuki Banzai <i>Professor, School of Law, Waseda University</i></p>	<p>State Responsibility</p>
<p>William Burke-White <i>Professor of Law, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School</i></p>	<p>International Investment Law</p>
<p>Ida Caracciolo <i>Judge, ITLOS</i></p>	<p>ITLOS Jurisprudence</p>
<p>Chang-ho Chung <i>Former Judge, ICC</i></p>	<p>International Criminal Law</p>
<p>Gina Guillen-Grillo <i>Ambassador for the Ocean and the Environment, Costa Rica</i></p>	<p>Ocean Governance & BBNJ</p>
<p>Seunghyun Nam <i>Head, Center for International Law, KNDA</i></p>	<p>Korea & International Law</p>
<p>Ceren Zeynep Pirim Kizilca <i>Professor, Faculty of Law, Galatasaray University</i></p>	<p>Use of Force & Self-Defence</p>
<p>Byung-Chun So <i>Professor, Ajou University Law School</i></p>	<p>International Environmental Law</p>
<p>Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf <i>Former Judge, ICJ</i></p>	<p>ICJ & the International Rule of Law</p>

□ Lecture Timetable

WEEK 1	6/29 (Mon)	6/30 (Tue)	7/1 (Wed)	7/2 (Thu)	7/3 (Fri)
09:30-11:30	Opening Ceremony <i>Kenynote: Judge Jin-hyun Paik</i> & Orientation	Ocean Governance & BBNJ (1) <i>Amb. H.E. Gina Guillen-Grillo</i>	Ocean Governance & BBNJ (2) <i>Amb. H.E. Gina Guillen-Grillo</i>	Ocean Governance & BBNJ (3) <i>Amb. H.E. Gina Guillen-Grillo</i>	Field Trip & [MOFA Lecture & Reception] Korea's Foreign Policy & International Law
13:00-15:00	ITLOS Jurisprudence (1) <i>Judge Ida Caracciolo</i>	ITLOS Jurisprudence (2) <i>Judge Ida Caracciolo</i>	Use of Force & Self-Defence (1) <i>Prof. Ceren Zeynep Pirim Kizilca</i>	Use of Force & Self-Defence (2) <i>Prof. Ceren Zeynep Pirim Kizilca</i>	
15:15-17:15		Welcome Drinks & Profile Shoot	ITLOS Jurisprudence (3) <i>Judge Ida Caracciolo</i>	Diplomatic Archives Tour	
WEEK 2	7/6 (Mon)	7/7 (Tue)	7/8 (Wed)	7/9 (Thu)	7/10 (Fri)
09:30-11:30	Use of Force & Self-Defence (3) <i>Prof. Ceren Zeynep Pirim Kizilca</i>	ICJ & the International Rule of Law (1) <i>Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf</i>	ICJ & the International Rule of Law (2) <i>Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf</i>	ICJ & the International Rule of Law (3) <i>Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf</i>	State Responsibility <i>Prof. Hiroyuki Banzai</i>
13:00-15:00	International Environmental Law (1) <i>Prof. Byung-Chun So</i>	International Environmental Law (2) <i>Prof. Byung-Chun So</i>	Korea & International Law <i>Prof. Seunghyun Nam</i>	International Criminal Law (1) <i>Judge Chang-ho Chung</i>	International Criminal Law (2) <i>Judge Chang-ho Chung</i>
15:15-17:15	Group Presentation Meeting	International Investment Law (1) <i>Prof. William Burke-White</i>	International Investment Law (2) <i>Prof. William Burke-White</i>	Group Presentation	Closing Ceremony

2. Terms of Participation

☐ Language of Instruction: English

☐ Qualification of Applicants

- Public officers, including diplomats and legal practitioners responsible for international legal affairs, with over 5 years of work experience
- Researchers and scholars in international legal affairs in institutions and universities
- Graduate students majoring in international legal affairs in academic institutions and universities
- Proficiency in spoken English
- Knowledge and experiences in international law

☐ Regulations

- Participants should participate in the program to the best of their abilities.
- Participants should refrain from engaging in political activities or any form of employment for profit or gain.
- Participants must return to their home country upon completion of the program.
- Participants should not extend their stay beyond the length of the program for personal reasons.
- Participants are not permitted to change the flight schedule arranged by the CIL for personal convenience.
- Participants should not accompany any member of their family to the program.
- Participants are to assume responsibility for any personal expenses incurred.
- Participants are required to strictly observe the course schedule and abide by the rules and regulations stipulated by the CIL in respect to the program.
- Participants should cooperate in preventing any sexual harassment.

3. Rules and Policies

The participants in the Seoul Academy of International Law (hereinafter participants) are expected to have read, abide by, and respect the following rules and policies that the Center for International Law (CIL) endorses in implementing the program. It is also understood that the participants will be provided with more information on rules and policies during the orientation of the program.

1. Privacy and Copyright Policy

Unless the participants state otherwise in writing, it is considered that:

- a. The CIL may provide and disclose the participants' information, including the name, nationality, organization and position of the participants, to relevant entities within the limit provided by the CIL's policy or regulations thereof;
- b. The CIL possesses the right of using all the documents and information provided by the participants for the operational purposes of the Seoul Academy of International Law (hereinafter the Academy), including their duplication, translation, distribution, and/or posting to websites.
- c. Personal information will be retained and used for the minimum period necessary until the purpose of collection and use is achieved. Furthermore, the information will be destroyed without delay upon the occurrence of any reason for the expiration of the retention or use purpose.

2. Punctuality and Attendance Policy

- a. Participants will need to be punctual for any classes that the Academy offers.
- b. Certificates of Attendance are awarded at the end of the Academy only to those who have attended at least seventy (70) percent of the classes.

3. Policy on Misconduct

- a. Any form of harassment or insult, including but not limited to misconduct arising out of racial/ethnic, gender or class discrimination, whether it be physical or verbal, will be dealt with in accordance with Korean laws.
- b. Sexual harassment, defined as a form of behavior characterized by sexually connotative words, acts or gestures that could undermine individual dignity and by which the victim takes offense, is regarded as a serious misconduct and will be acted upon accordingly.

- c. All participants are encouraged to report to the CIL immediately when participants' such misconduct is found as explained above, especially when damage should occur from misconduct by the participants.

4. Security and Well-being Policy

- a. Participants shall strictly follow the policies and safety measures prescribed by the Academy at all times during the participation in the program.
- b. Participants are solely responsible for their own personal belongings, safety, health and well-being, and are asked to conduct themselves accordingly.

5. General Rules

- a. Participants shall not engage in political activities and any form of employment for profit or gain for the duration of the courses at the Academy.
- b. Participants are liable for any damage whatsoever to any property that arises from the carelessness, negligence, omission or default of the participants for the duration of the courses at the Academy.

III. Contacts

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