

3rd Online Conference of the Baltic Association of Korean Studies “Remembering the Past and the Future - Korean Culture in a Changing World”

Human life depends on the freshwater that makes up just a small fraction ~0.03125% of the Earth's total mass. This means that our destinies in the globalized world of today are dependent on a deep understanding of what is abundant and what is scarce. Spiritual culture probably forms an equally small proportion of the total amount of all human cultural activity, but it determines our actions, our strategies and tactics, today, in the past and in the future.

Questions about what is 'truly East Asian' or 'truly Western' in a particular culture in a contemporary context may be relevant if they provide useful information for the proper spiritual guidance of all mankind. Korean spiritual culture is able to reach a wide audience through music and cinema precisely because of its universal orientation. Even if they do not immediately reach the general public, discussions in literature, philosophy and religion are no less important in this regard. This significance is timeless. A spiritual state, regardless of cultural or national identity allows us to travel into the past and into an imagined future. Let us try to focus our thoughts so that it makes sense to “remember the future”...

In order to discuss various research conducted by scholars in the field of Korean studies (PHD and MA students included), the 3rd online conference of the Baltic Association of Korean Studies will be held through Zoom this December. The organizers welcome presentations and papers in broad areas of humanities and social sciences.

All scholars willing to present at the 3rd Conference of the Baltic Association of Korean Studies are requested to submit the application form with an abstract (maximum 1000 characters with spaces, including keywords) by 10th December, 2021. Notification of acceptance will be sent by 11th December, 2021.

The final paper (maximum 15,000 characters) must be submitted by 31st January, 2022. Selected conference papers will be published in a dedicated volume of Religious-Philosophical Articles (Reliģiski-filozofiski raksti, ISSN 1407-1908), a double-blind peer-reviewed periodical with an international editorial board. Editions of Religious-Philosophical Articles are available through the Central and Eastern European Online Library, CEEOL and also the EBSCO and SCOPUS databases.

Working Language: English

Date of the Conference: 15th and 16th December, 2021

Presentation Abstract Submission: 10th of December, 2021

Final Paper Submission: 31st of January, 2022 (subject to change)

Platform: Zoom (links will be provided to presenters and listeners before the conference dates)

Registration Link: Google Form <https://forms.gle/nHdwWHVoLLni98fw5>

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