

Opening Address

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Esteemed Mr. Thae Hyong Chol, first vice-president of the Korean Association of Social Scientists,

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Esteemed comrades from each country participating in the international seminar on the Juche idea,

Esteemed comrades of the Korean Association of the Social Scientists and the Social Scientists' Association of Korean Residents in Japan,

It is my pleasure and glory to have an opportunity to meet you and deepen the study of the Juche idea together with you at this meaningful seminar held on the occasion of the 80th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The flames of struggle of the people in each country who have risen up with determination to realize independence and justice are burning fiercely irrespective of borders and regions.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un powerfully leads the era of independence and the struggle of the world people for independence and justice with independent politics.

Under his leadership, the DPRK has occupied the position of a military power whose dignity cannot be impaired by anyone and dynamically advances towards communism, the century-old desire of mankind.

Such reality gives us firm confidence in a bright future for the world people. Leaders of the DPRK, China and Russia walked in the van of the delegates from many countries at the commemorations marking the 80th anniversary of the victory in the Chinese People's War of Resistance against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-fascist War held in Beijing on September 3, 2025. The appearance of the leaders can be said to be a symbol of might and victory of independent politics.

The noble spirit of many heroes who dedicated their lives to defeating aggressors and

defending the people in the past, transcending borders and nationalities, becomes the will and mind of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un and the present era is a run through with it.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

“With an ambition to restore the spheres of political influence they have lost one by one over the course of history, the imperialists stuck to their policies of war and blackmail in a bid to put Europe, Asia and the rest of the globe on a Rightist trajectory and create a unipolar world. To frustrate their extremely brigandish and reckless schemes is a historic duty that the countries and peoples loving peace and advocating justice should assume of their own accord, and this demands strong solidarity with, and joint struggle by, the progressive camp.”

Under the leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un who intends to be faithful by devoting his all to the powerful solidarity in and joint struggle of the progressive camp, heroic struggle of the people in each country is being launched and the powerful ties between the countries are being provided.

Seeing the noble image of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un walking with firm steps alongside the heads of great powers China and Russia, we had high self-confidence and pride of having covered the road of Juche.

The international seminar on the Juche idea is being held today amid the excitement of seeing the coming victory in international politics indicated by the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Those who learn from the Juche idea are the pioneers to lead the era of independence and make efforts for the good of the masses of people.

In order to discharge the responsibility and duty, it is essential to make more profound study of the Juche idea and make continuous efforts in close combination with the fighting tasks of their own countries and the world.