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ISDPR undertakes multidisciplinary research and policy analysis on the social dimensions of contemporary issues in Korea.



Welcome to the Institute for Social Development and Policy Research

ISDPR's history over the past half century closely reflects the modern history of Korea. Whenever there was a major historical turn in Korean society, ISDPR was always the first to raise the agenda and respond to provide academic answers to the contemporaneous social issues. Looking back, the most urgent demands from the society such as population in the 1960s, industrialization in the 1970s, democratization in the 1980s, economic and social crisis in the 1990s, and risk society and qualitative social development in the 2000s have always been the missions of ISDPR.



ISDPR also has a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary approach and international cooperation. Our researchers come from all academic backgrounds such as sociology, social welfare, economics, public health, political science, and sometimes even engineering. At the same time, ISDPR collaborates with experts from all around the world. For the past five years, we have collaborated with experts in China, Japan, Australia, Thailand, Germany, France, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Sweden, the Netherlands and the U.S.

At ISDPR we highly value keeping historical records, creating and sharing knowledge, and delivering them within and beyond academia. In this spirit, we keep our English journal *Development and Society* publicly accessible. It is at ISDPR where you can find survey data from some forty years ago. We also publicize our research findings through not only academic publications but the media as well.

ISDPR takes pride in meeting academic and policy expectations for the past half century. ISDPR will continue to serve the academia and the world society in the upcoming half century. At ISDPR, we warmly welcome you to join our vibrant academic exchange.

Dukjin Chang
Director

History of the institute



Establishment of the institute

ISDPR is one of the oldest institutes in Seoul National University. With a great help of professor Hae-young Lee in the department of Sociology, it was started in 1964 as Population Research Center, and officially established in August 1965 by the fund of Population Council in New York. Since then, the institute has conducted remarkable research activities including collection of population data and field studies. Later, as expanding the research domain gradually, ISDPR was renamed as the Institute for Population and Development in 1968. ISDPR has made widely recognized contributions to make policy agenda in population issues and family planning, rural social system and social transformation of Korea.

Development of ISDPR in a new era

Drastic transformation of Korean society required recognizing the need for new research agenda and methodology. Corresponding to the emerging needs, the institute restructured the research agenda and organization. This shift was followed by renaming the institute to the current title, The Institute for Social Development and Policy Research in 1995, its 30th anniversary. Since then, the aim of ISDPR has focused on generating knowledge and articulating policy alternatives that address social development and change in Korean society. In addition, ISDPR undertakes international comparative research including Asia and Europe to enhance mutual understanding on academic and practical activities.

Research Centers



Population and Ageing Society Research Center

The Institute for Population and Development, played a critical role in articulating policy agenda in population issues. Following this precious tradition of the institute, this center provides a space for population studies researchers to discuss and generate knowledge, exchange ideas, collaborate on research and teach the future scholars.

SNCC (Social Network Computing Center)

Established in 2012, SNCC is the newest addition to ISDPR. As the name implies, SNCC focuses on social network analysis dealing with big data. With the exponential growth of data size, conventional methodology may no longer work for social sciences. As the first of its kind in the field of social sciences, SNCC strives to open the new era of computing. SNCC has been very successful in analyzing voluminous amount of structured and unstructured data from social network services (SNS) and other online sources. SNCC is jointly operated by ISDPR and Cyram Inc., the developer of NetMiner. It also provides social network analysis education program every month.

Ongoing research projects



NRF Core Research Institute Program

“Social Quality Research”

For the first (2008-10) and second (2011-13) period, we successfully built a vibrant academic community in social quality research. In addition, 1st and 2nd Wave of SQSQ (Standard Questionnaire for Social Quality) were completed. For the third (2014-16) period, we analyze different social policy regimes as well as present alternative social policy agenda to achieve sustainable and creative society.

* NRF (National Research Foundation of Korea)

NRF SSK Program

“Models and Measurement of Social Integration”

Social integration has now become the first-priority policy goal in many countries in the middle of increasing competition all over the world. ISDPR compares Korea and relevant foreign countries in terms of social integration and social policy. In the first year of this program we compared Korea and Turkey. In 2012 ISDPR carried out standardized surveys in Germany, Italy, Greece, Turkey and Korea to understand the social aspect of economic crisis and derive implications for social integration.

Collaboration with SBS

ISDPR and Seoul Broadcasting System (SBS) signed a ten-year MOU in 2011. Every year ISDPR undertakes research that is of central importance to Korean society with funding provided by SBS. ISDPR publishes the results and SBS broadcasts the contents in various programs such as its flagship annual special Future Korea Report, documentaries, and news.

Presidential Commission for National Cohesion

ISDPR, collaborating with Presidential Commission for National Cohesion in Korea, aims to achieve social cohesion by the value of trust, reducing social conflicts, decreasing socioeconomic gaps and building cooperation between the conservatives and the radicals. ISDPR conducts a monthly monitoring project about social conflicts to find and develop research agenda. Active involvement of NGO and other civil actors is encouraged to exchange information and establish a network under this project.

Academic Events

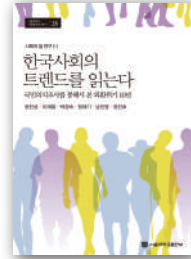
- **2012-2014** Policy vs. Policy Forum (Seeking alternative policy agenda)
- **December 2013** The 1st Conference for Junior Researchers on Urban Research Korea-China-Japan-Metropolis Development Problems and Social Governance in East Asia (Shanghai, China)
- **November 2013** The 11th Future Korea Report Conference co-hosted with SBS
- **August 2013** KPI (King Prajadhipok's Institute, Thailand) Joint Workshop on Social Quality
- **May 2013** ACSQ (Asian Consortium for Social Quality Conference on Social Quality in Asia): Moving from Concept to Practice (Bangkok, Thailand)
- **November 2012** The 10th Future Korea Report Conference co-hosted with SBS
- **October 2012** International Conference on Constructing the 2nd version of the Standard Questionnaire for Social Quality in Asia (Taipei, Taiwan)
- **May 2012** Korea-Turkey Democratization Workshop: Democracy and Social Conflicts in Korea and Turkey



Publications

Reading Trend of Korea: 10 Years after Financial Crisis

This book features the survey result of 1,000 Korean people under the theme of 'the transformation of Korean society 10 years after economic crisis.' Through this survey research, the perspective of Korean society was rigorously investigated.



Risk Society, Risk Politics

This book underpins the analysis on the notion of 'risk society.' The transformative nature of society in a relation to environment and technology becomes more central to social organization and social conflict. Applying practical case studies of Korea, it endeavors to approach the type of risk exposed in Korean society.



Social Construction of Euro-zone Economic Crisis

By comparative analysis on Greece, Italy, Germany, Turkey and Korea, this book explores how economic crisis was socially and politically constructed. Also, it endeavors to explain why economic crisis was transformed into the social crisis in some countries.

(Forthcoming in 2014)

Social Quality in Korea: Theory to Application

What is the definition of a good society? To seek the answer for this, the concept and application of Social Quality is widely investigated. This book will serve as the first textbook on Social Quality.

(Forthcoming in 2014)

Major articles

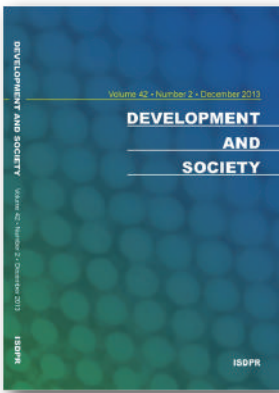
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Development and Society

Development and Society (D&S), English-language journal published by ISDPR, provides an international and interdisciplinary forum for new ideas and research on various aspects of development with a focus on East Asia, the world's most rapidly changing region. Formerly the "Bulletin" (1972-1989) and the "Korea Journal of Population and Development" (1990-1997), D&S has contributed to share research outputs of Korea to overseas scholars and researchers for more than 40 years. Currently, D&S strives to speak to the general audience of social sciences and is open to scientifically informed contributions from all related fields. In 2014, D&S was indexed in SCOPUS, the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature.



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Bulletin (1972~1989)



Korea Journal of Population and Development (1990~1997)

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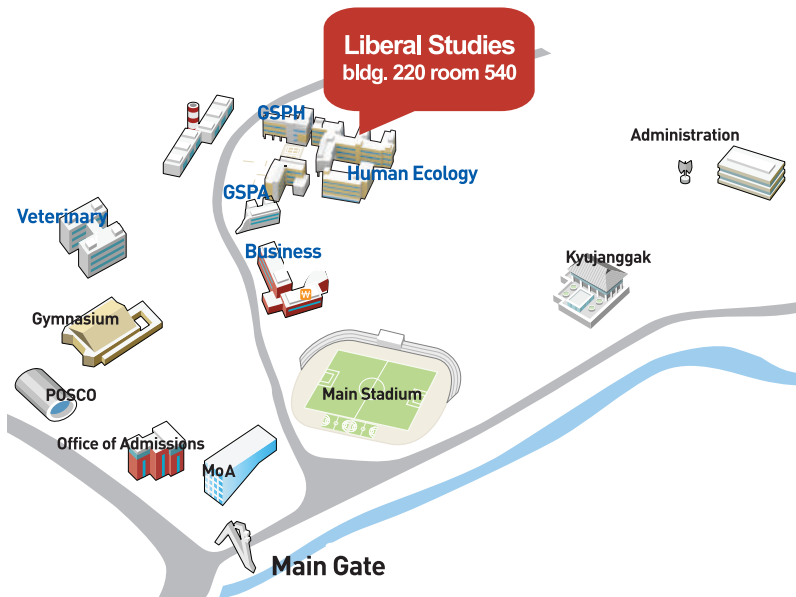
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Public transportation from Incheon Airport

Limousine Bus

The 'Limousine bus' is a convenient and inexpensive way to get to SNU Gwanak Campus from Incheon International Airport. Take airport limousine bus number 6017 or 6003. The bus 6017 comes directly from Incheon to SNU rear gate (Hoam Faculty House) within 70 minutes. The bus 6003 comes to SNU main gate via Gimpo Airport, and it takes 110 minutes under normal traffic conditions. Service is available everyday from early morning to night time at Incheon International Airport with no charge for the baggage.

Taxi

The taxi fare for coming to SNU Gwanak campus from Incheon International Airport is around 60,000 won depending on the traffic situation. By Deluxe Taxi (Mobeom Taxi), which offers high-quality service, the approximate fare is 80,000 won.