
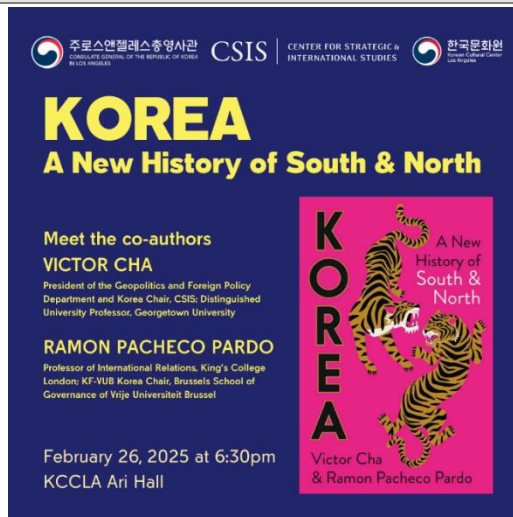


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KCCLA to Host Book Talk “Korea: A New History of South & North”

- Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in LA, CSIS, and KCCLA to Co-Host Book Talk on the Korean Peninsula and U.S.-Korea Diplomatic Relations
- In celebration of the 80th Anniversary of Liberation, Held on February 26 at 6:30 PM at KCCLA’s Ari Hall with in person discussions with CSIS Korea Chair Victor Cha and King’s College Professor Ramon Pacheco Pardo



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A New History of South & North

Meet the co-authors
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February 26, 2025 at 6:30pm
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A New History of South & North
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- ▶ **Organizer/Host:** Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in LA
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In celebration of the 80th anniversary of Korea's liberation, the Korean Cultural Center Los Angeles (KCCLA), led by Director Sangwon Jung, will host a book talk event on "The Korean Peninsula and U.S.-Korea Diplomatic Relations" in collaboration with the Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in Los Angeles (Consul General Youngwan Kim) and the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). The event will take place on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:30 PM at KCCLA's Ari Hall.

Distinguished scholars Victor Cha, President of the Geopolitics and Foreign Policy Department and Korea Chair, CSIS and Distinguished University Professor at Georgetown University, and Ramon Pacheco Pardo, professor at King's College London, will attend the event in person. The book talk will introduce their recently published book, *Korea: A New History of South & North*, followed by a discussion with the authors, an audience Q&A session, and a book signing.

Published in September 2023 by Yale University Press, *Korea: A New History of South & North* explores Korea's modern and contemporary diplomatic history, drawing from decades of research by Victor Cha and Ramon Pacheco Pardo. This book talk, commemorating Korea's 80th year of liberation, will provide an in-depth discussion on the country's turbulent history—from the late 19th-century imperial era, Japanese colonial rule, and the Cold War period to the present—while examining the future of the Korean Peninsula and U.S.-Korea relations.

Victor Cha is a renowned expert in Korean Peninsula and U.S.-Korea diplomatic affairs. He previously served as Deputy Head of the U.S. delegation to the Six-Party Talks on North Korea's Nuclear Program while working at the National Security Council (NSC) under the George W. Bush administration. Currently a distinguished university professor at Georgetown University, he continues his extensive academic research in the field. Cha expressed his enthusiasm for the event, stating, "We look forward to coming to the center of the Korean ethos — Koreatown in LA — hosted by KCC to engage in a lively discussion about everything from BTS to political impeachment."

Ramon Pacheco Pardo, a professor of international relations at King's College London and KF-VUB Korea Chair at Brussels School of Governance of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Center for Security, Diplomacy and Strategy, is also an active scholar in Korean affairs. He shared his excitement, saying, "It is very exciting to be able to present our book in the United States. Audiences across Europe passionate about Hallyu have embraced this book, which they find very helpful to provide context to the rise of South Korea as cultural powerhouse."

This event is free and open to the public. Attendees can RSVP on the KCCLA website (kccla.org) for reservations and further details.