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“When you become somebody big in the future, you come back as a speaker to pass your knowledge and wisdom to your next generation.”

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Venue	Seoul, Republic of Korea
Host	The Chosunilbo
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The Asian Leadership Conference (ALC) is Korea's premier international conference. The Chosunilbo, the largest and most trusted media institution in Korea, hosts the conference annually to inspire younger generations and provide a platform for global leaders to gather and discuss the most pressing issues facing the world.

World-renowned political leaders, global corporate CEOs, and academic scholars have shared their visions at the past conferences, and attendees have included Korea's biggest conglomerates, senior governmental leaders, and academic researchers.

2024

The Era of Hyper-Uncertainty: Innovation Leadership for the New Future

2023

The Era of Upheaval: The Road to Collaboration and Innovation

2022

Embracing the New Normal: A Proposal for the Future

2021

World after Covid-19: Rebuilding Trust and Cooperation

2020

The World after the Coronavirus: Rebuilding Global Leadership for the Next 100 Years

2019

The World at a Crossroads: Searching for Concrete Solutions

2018

Globalization in Crisis: Navigating the World with New Opportunities

2017

New Leadership in the Era of Hyper-Uncertainty: Towards Cooperation and Prosperity

2016

Asia Tomorrow: Innovation 4.0

2015

New Forces Reshaping Our Lives

2014

One Korea, New Asia

2013

Asia's Next Challenge: Good Growth and Smart Welfare

2012

Capitalism 4.0: Searching for Post Crisis Solutions

2008

Leadership and Change

2005

Cooperation and Rebuilding After Tsunami

THE CHOSUNILBO

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The Rise of Nations: Pathways to Great Prosperity

In 2025, the world finds itself in the midst of profound and tumultuous upheaval: the United States has entered the Trump 2.0 Era, with a bold and assertive America First agenda; the Russia-Ukraine conflict rages on with no end in sight, now further complicated by North Korea's involvement; and the global economy teeters on the edge of instability with security concerns, trade wars, and tariffs. Amid these turbulences, the Asian Leadership Conference (ALC), marks its 20th anniversary by bringing together former and current global leaders, entrepreneurs, female leaders, and respected scholars from diverse fields to navigate the future, under the theme of "The Rise of Nations: Pathways to Great Prosperity."



The New Geopolitical Security Crisis

The Republic of Korea, celebrating its 80th anniversary of liberation this year, is in the midst of growing instability. The escalating US-China conflict is affecting not only the Taiwan Strait but also the Korean Peninsula, while North Korea's contentious declaration as a "nuclear weapon state" is heightening geopolitical tensions across Northeast Asia. This year's ALC will bring together leading figures from think tanks and security experts from around the world, offering a platform to discuss strategies for tackling these urgent crises and securing a more stable future in an increasingly uncertain geopolitical environment.



The Evolving Korea-Japan Relationship

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the normalization of diplomatic relations between long-time neighboring rivals, Korea and Japan. The upcoming ALC will bring together experts on Korea-Japan relations to discuss the future of this partnership and explore opportunities for deeper collaboration in the years ahead.



Humanity on the Verge of an AI Revolution

The revolution in everyday life driven by artificial intelligence (AI) is set to accelerate this year. While advancements promise to dramatically increase convenience and abundance, misuse of innovations like deepfakes also raise the potential for societal challenges, possibly even triggering global conflicts. This year's ALC will feature a distinguished panel of global AI experts who will explore the immense potential of the AI era and its profound implications for the future of humanity.



ALC PAST KEY SPEAKERS

George W. Bush	The 43rd President of the United States
Barack Obama	The 44th President of the United States
Volodymyr Zelenskyy	President of Ukraine
Olena Zelenska	First Lady of Ukraine
David Cameron	Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
Sanna Marin	Former Prime Minister of Finland
Narendra Modi	Prime Minister of India
Joko Widodo	President of Indonesia
Boris Johnson	Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
Michelle Obama	Former First Lady of the United States
Mario Draghi	Former Prime Minister of Italy / Former President of the European Central Bank
Gerhard Schröder	Former Chancellor of Germany
Tomiichi Murayama	Former Prime Minister of Japan
Naoto Kan	Former Prime Minister of Japan
Ban Ki-moon	Secretary-General of the United Nations
Enrico Letta	Former Prime Minister of Italy
Goh Chok Tong	Former Prime Minister of Singapore
Tarja Halonen	Former President of Finland
Kevin Rudd	Former Prime Minister of Australia
Helle Thorning-Schmidt	Former Prime Minister of Denmark
Kim Campbell	Former Prime Minister of Canada
Mike Pence	Former Vice President of the United States
Paul Ryan	The 54th Speaker of the United States House of Representatives
Nikki Haley	The 29th United States Ambassador to the United Nations
Henry Kissinger	Former US Secretary of State
Mark Esper	Former US Secretary of Defense
Lawrence Summers	Former US Secretary of the Treasury
Jack Ma	Founder & Executive Chairman of Alibaba Group
David Rubenstein	Co-Founder & Co-CEO of Carlyle Group
Mary Marsha Blackburn	United States Senator for Tennessee
Tang Jiaxuan	Former State Councilor of the People's Republic of China
Wim Kok	Former Prime Minister of Netherlands
Naftali Bennett	Former Prime Minister of Israel
Erna Solberg	Prime Minister of Norway
Graça Machel	Former First Lady of South Africa



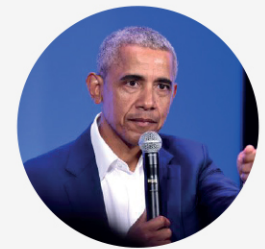
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The 43rd President of the United States



• **Volodymyr Zelenskyy**

President of Ukraine



• **Barack Obama**

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• **Michelle Obama**

Former First Lady of the United States



• **Olena Zelenska**

First Lady of Ukraine



• **Paul Ryan**

The 54th Speaker of the United States House of Representative



• **Boris Johnson**

Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom



• **Narendra Modi**

Prime Minister of India



• **Joko Widodo**

President of Indonesia



• **David Cameron**

Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom



• **Mario Draghi**

Former Prime Minister of Italy



• **Sanna Marin**

Former Prime Minister of Finland



• **Yohei Kono**

Former Speaker of the House of Representatives of Japan



• **Nikki Haley**

The 29th United States Ambassador to the United Nations



• **Graça Machel**

Deputy Chair of the Elders, Widow of the late Nelson Mandela

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