Workshop and Discussion on Engaging North Korea

Wednesday, December 16, 13:00-16:00
“Großer Besprechungsraum Japanologie”, Campus/AAKH, Court 2, Entrance 2.4, 1st floor
(http://japan.univie.ac.at/lageplan/)

In this event, we bring together senior and junior experts on North Korea to discuss the question of whether and how to engage this country. Based on hands-on experience and structured analytical thinking, each of them will speak for a maximum of 30 minutes on their respective topic, before we engage in a moderated discussion on these and related issues.

Katharina Zellweger (Visiting Fellow at the Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University) is a senior aid manager with over 30 years of field experience in Hong Kong, China and North Korea. She was based in Pyongyang for five years (2006-2011) as North Korea country director for the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), an office of the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Presentation: 20 Years of Aid to the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea – Has Aid Been Effective?


Presentation: Enhancing capacities in the DPR Korea

Théo Clément (PhD Candidate at the Institute of East Asian Studies in Lyon and the University of Vienna) conducts research on Chinese economic engagement of the DPRK and Pyongyang’s most recent economic opening policies. Currently based in China, he also is a visiting lecturer at Pyongyang University of Science and Technology (PUST).

Presentation: A formative experience - introducing Special Economic Zones to DPRK students

Moderator: Prof. Rüdiger Frank (Department of East Asian Studies, University of Vienna)