

## GWIKS Soh Jaipil Circle: “International Legal Issues for a Unified Korea: Protection of Third Party Rights under Pre- Existing Bilateral Treaties”

**Angela Kim**

12:00 – 2:00 PM

Elliott School of International Affairs Room 503  
The George Washington University  
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### ABOUT THE TALK

**Angela Kim** joins us to present her talk on international law rules on treaty interpretation and state succession in the context of KPRK and ROK. Her talk asks (1) Whether a Unified Korea has liberty to do as it pleases with its pre-existing treaties and (2) how can third States that have bilateral treaty relations with either North or South Korea feel secured and protected regarding their rights under those treaties? This presentation aims to answer these questions by focusing specifically on state practice resulting from unification of States such as Germany. It also examines sources of international law which can protect rights of third States under pre-existing bilateral treaties.

### SPEAKER

**Angela Kim** is currently a Visiting Scholar at the Institute for Korean Studies. She is a PhD candidate in Law at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and is expected to graduate in August 2020. She received her Master of Laws from the George Washington University Law School in 2015 with a specialization in International and Comparative Law, and her Bachelor of Law from Handong Global University in 2014. She is currently conducting research for her thesis, titled "The Law of State Succession in the Case of Unified Korea: The Legal Effects on Treaties and the Rights of Third States," with her research interests lying in legal perspectives on Korean studies, and especially those dealing with Korean unification.

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