

2025 Peace Road Kickoff and Collegiate Unification Golden Bell Contest

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The 2025 Peace Road Kickoff Ceremony and International Collegiate Freedom and Democracy Unification Golden Bell contest, hosted by the Citizens' Federation for the Unification of North and South Korea, was successfully held on May 30 at Sun Moon University. The event brought together more than 200 university students and young people from ten countries, united in their shared hope for peace and reunification on the Korean Peninsula.



① Universal Peace Federation Korea Chairman Park Young-bae giving opening remarks ② Russian exchange student Vasilisa Krylova presenting on the theme "The Unified Korean Peninsula I Dream Of" ③ Unification Golden Bell contest 200 university students from 10 nations participating

During Part 1 of the program, the Kickoff Ceremony, Chairman Park Young-bae of the Citizens' Federation emphasized that "unification is the fate of the Korean people and a key gateway to world peace," pledging to quickly establish an international foundation for reunification.

The second part, the International Collegiate Freedom and Democracy Unification Golden Bell contest, featured international students representing ten nations, including Russia, Japan, Côte d'Ivoire, and the Philippines. They engaged in heartfelt sharing on the theme, "My Dream of a Unified Korean Peninsula" and competed in a quiz that tested their knowledge about Korean reunification. The students emphasized the importance of breaking down barriers of heart through empathy, respect, and love - beyond political unification - and their comments resonated deeply with the audience.

This event was significant in that it elevated the issue of reunification to a global task for youth around the world, clearly presenting a direction for achieving peaceful reunification based on the principles of free democracy. It planted seeds of hope in the hearts of participants, who can now dream and work toward reunification together.

Following the Unification Golden Bell, more than 100 international students from Sun Moon University joined the Peace Road national cycling tour, riding a designated route as an expression of their heartfelt wish for the reunification of the Korean Peninsula.