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**The Japan-Korea Bridge-Tunnel:
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Stephen Costello, Director of AsiaEast, researched in Korea and Japan the economic, political, financial and environmental impacts that this project would have and will present his ideas on the long-term impact. Dr. Dale Garratt, has recently published a novel, *The Peace Road: A High-stakes, Geopolitical Thriller*, which takes a different approach to popularizing the idea of creating a road connecting North and South Korea together and bringing an end to escalating nuclear tensions.

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