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Constitutional Court of Korea

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The Honorable Anwar Usman
Chief Justice
Constitutional Court of the Republic of Indonesia

Dear Chief Justice Anwar Usman,

First and foremost, I would like to pay my utmost regards to the Constitutional Court of Indonesia for upholding the rule of law, democracy and fundamental human rights.

Being operated by the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Korea, the AACC Secretariat for Research and Development (AACC SRD) has been hosting international conferences in regards to the joint research projects since its establishment in 2017 and producing publications on the research outcomes in active cooperation with the AACC member institutions.

Last year, the AACC SRD has conducted a research project on “Freedom of Expression: Experience of AACC Members” and held the 2nd Research Conference, followed by publishing a research book on this topic. I deeply appreciate the sincere efforts made by the member institutions contributing to the joint research projects of the AACC SRD.

For the joint research project this year, the AACC SRD has chosen the topic of “**Constitutional Rights and AACC Members**” and the 3rd International Symposium of the AACC SRD will be held virtually on this topic from **November 10 to 11**.

The COVID-19 epidemic has caused significant difficulties in international cooperation and exchange. It is of particular concern that the recent infectious cases are on the rise exponentially due to the advent of the variants. In this given situation, I would like to ask for your kind understanding that we host the Symposium as an online conference with the utmost consideration of participants' health and safety.

In view of the time difference among AACC members and the fact that the Symposium will be conducted online, the 3rd International Symposium will span **two days, with each day lasting four hours** (15:00-19:00 , GMT+9). For the convenience of the participants, **English and Russian** interpretation service will be provided during the Symposium. Please find a draft schedule as below. The AACC SRD will send you further details including the full program in the nearest future.

- Nov. 10 Session I: Common Values and Diverse Aspects of Constitutional Rights in Asia
- Nov. 11 Session II: Constitutional Rights: New Challenges
Session III: Constitutional Adjudication & the Universality of Human Rights

To ensure an efficient operation of the Symposium, please refer to the attached document “2021 Sessions Outline”. We would also like to ask each AACC member institution to assign not more than **two participants** including a **justice or equivalent level as Head of Delegation**.

Please fill out the attached registration form stating the name of speaker/presenter and the title of the presentation. The deadline for returning the registration form is **September 15** and submitting presentation materials is **October 15**. Both should be sent to iod@ccourt.go.kr. The presentation and relevant materials should be in English as it will be shared among all the participants during the Symposium.

In closing, I sincerely wish for the health and wellbeing of the Chief Justice, Justices and all the staff of your Court, who have shown their continued support for the activities of the AACC SRD.

Sincerely yours,



Namseok Yoo

President

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