

Press release: Rules Based International System Conference

The first Rules Based International System (RUBIS) conference in Seoul, part funded by Global Britain Fund discussed RUBIS in Asia with @WiltonPark and IFANS

On 22 November Wilton Park and its South Korean counterpart the Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security (IFANS) will jointly host the first Rules Based International System (RUBIS) conference to happen in East Asia, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Seoul, South Korea. The event is co-sponsored by the South Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

The conference will bring together South Korea and the UK alongside other regional partners, that are major security and economic actors in the region, to exchange views and thinking regarding the role of the RUBIS system and its contribution to regional stability, security and economic growth.

The event will be opened by Chancellor CHO Byung-jae of IFANS and will include speakers from South Korea, UK, Australia, Canada, Japan and China, including Vice President of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) Danny Alexander.

British Ambassador to South Korea, Charles Hay, said:

I am very excited to be co-sponsoring this important conference with IFANS. This century is the Asian century as countries in the region become more prominent on the issues that are critical for global security and economic development. Influential East Asian countries like South Korea will be instrumental in shaping the future of the international rules based order.

Additional Information

RUBIS – The rules-based international system (RBIS) is founded on relationships between states and through international institutions and frameworks, with shared rules and agreements on behaviour. It works for UK interests in multiple ways: promoting peace and prosperity through security and economic integration; encouraging predictable behaviour by states; and supporting peaceful settlement of disputes. It also encourages states, and a wide range of non-state actors, to create the conditions for open markets, the rule of law, democratic participation and accountability.

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- Multilateral institutions, key countries and regions
- Sustainable development and the environment

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