



Università  
Ca' Foscari  
Venezia

**PROJECT ACRONYM AND TITLE:** East and West in Korean Studies

**FUNDING PROGRAMME:** Academy of Korean Studies

**CALL:** Strengthen the institutional foundation of the Korea Studies at UNIVE through education, research, and outreach for Korean Studies in the Mediterranean Area in Europe.

**SCIENTIFIC FIELDS:** Education and Research

**HOST DEPARTMENT:** DSAAM – Department of Asian and North African Studies

**SCIENTIFIC RESPONSIBLE:** Jong-Chol An

**FINANCIAL DATA:**

Project total costs	Overall funding assigned to UNIVE
€ 240.000,00	€ 180.000,00

**ABSTRACT:**

The objective of this seed program is to strengthen the institutional foundation of the Korea Studies at Ca' Foscari University of Venezia through education, research, and outreach for Korean Studies in the Mediterranean Area in Europe. There are three effects that can be expected through this project. First, regarding "education" dimension, through a new established course each year, in addition to preexisting courses, we can provide a self-sufficient Korean Studies classes. We are planning to launch a MA program in 2021, so that with a Ph.D. researcher, we are able to provide a continuous and seamless education courses from BA to Ph.D. Second, in "research" area, we will launch a research team under the title of "East and West in Korean Studies," a theme that will handle historical, social, and cultural exchanges between Korea and the West. With an annual workshop, and an international conference, we will strengthen the ties between Europe and Korea and publish some research outcomes, so that we can elevate the research capacity at Ca' Foscari. Third, in the area of international "outreach," we have an aim to make Korean Studies at Ca' Foscari one of the biggest and wholesome institute for Korean Studies among the Mediterranean Area while we will overcome the unstable Korean Studies program at Ca' Foscari. While extending our relationship not only with other programs in Italy, but also to Spain, Portugal, Croatia, Greece, and North Africa, we will seek a stable institute for Korean Studies. The purpose of this application is to strengthen and stabilize the Korean Studies through comprehensive "education" courses and excellent "research" cluster. This project will support concrete outcomes as follows. There are three effects that can be expected through this project. First, regarding "education," Ca' Foscari only has a BA program because of lack of faculty members. However, through several faculty members joining Ca Foscari, we can also open a new course each year, so that we can provide a self-sufficient Korean Studies classes covering social, historical, and cultural dimensions. Ca' Foscari promised that the university will launch a MA program in 2021, corresponding to our Korean Studies team's efforts. Thus, through hired a researcher, we are able to provide a continuous and seamless education courses related to BA, MA and Ph.D. programs. The University is enthusiastic in promising a Ph.D. researcher with a matching fund to support this project in the second and third year. Second, in "research" area, since

we have not had meaningful co-project among Korean Studies specialists, we will launch a research team under the title of “East and West in Korean Studies,” a theme that will handle historical, social, and cultural exchanges between Korea and the West. With an annual workshop and an international conference, we will establish a good research cluster by strengthening the ties between Europe and Korea and publish some research outcomes, so that we can elevate the research capacity at Ca’ Foscari. Venice is a historic city where the east and the west has met, so that the theme itself support east and west exchange in terms of thoughts and human sources. Thus, our research cluster will handle the east and the west encounter in Korean Studies. Third, in the area of international “outreach,” we have an aim to make Korean Studies at Ca’ Foscari one of the biggest and wholesome institute for Korean Studies among the Mediterranean Area while we will overcome the unstable Korean Studies program at Ca’ Foscari. While extending our relationship not only with other programs in Italy, but also to Spain, Portugal, Croatia, Greece, and North Africa, we will seek a stable institute for Korean Studies.

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<b>Planned Start date</b>	<b>Planned End date</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> June 2020</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> May 2023</b>

**PARTNERSHIP:**

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<b>1. Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia</b>	<b>Italy</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
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