

Chan-Woo Kim

On February 17, 2014, H.E. Chan-Woo Kim, the Korean Ambassador to Kenya, presided over the launch the Korean Studies Programme to be offered by the University of Nairobi as a degree and certificate course and launching the Korean Studies website. The highlight of the event was the presentation of awards to the first ten winners of the 2013 Essay Competition. The Essay Competition 2013, saw 162 students drawn from different colleges participate.

In his remarks, the Ambassador said that the launch of the Korean Studies Programme was a clear demonstration of the good relationship between Kenya and South Korea. He thanked the University management for their passionate support in making sure that the Korean programme is officially launched. The Ambassador said that as the two countries celebrate 50 years of mutual cooperation the people have been able to share their experiences and are willing to learn each other's cultures.

Indeed, the University of Nairobi has in place mutual relationships with various Korean Institutions. In 2013 alone, the University of Nairobi signed MoUs with three Korean Institutions, namely: Korea University, Sookmyung Women's University and Korea Foundation. Talks are underway to expand our network with premier universities in Korea.