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His talk will consider a variety of issues including: inter-Korean relations, Japanese rearmament and the North Korean nuclear issue, the impact of history in this the 70th anniversary year of the ending of World War II, as well as changing notions of order in Northeast Asia and the prospects for peace on the peninsula.