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Soo-Won Lee is a Senior Advisor at Lee International IP & Law and has been providing advisory services to clients in various practice areas.

Prior to joining the Firm, Mr. Lee has served on several important posts in the Ministry of Finance, including the Economic Planning Bureau, the National Finance Bureau, and the Policy Coordination Bureau. Furthermore, he also worked as an Economist at the Department of Economy and Social Affairs (DESA) at the United Nations New York Headquarters. In 2009, he was appointed as Secretary to the President for Economic Crisis Management at Cheong Wa Dae, Office of the President to manage the global financial crisis kicked off by bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers, and went on to serve as the 21st Commissioner of the Korean Intellectual Property Office.

After leaving public office, he accepted a teaching position at Seoul National University, College of Engineering, and also as a visiting professor and director of Seoul National University, Institute of Green Bio Science & Technology. He also taught at Seoul University of Science and Technology, and has served as an auditor at Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), Korea's governmental organization for Official Development Assistance(ODA).

## Experience

- Senior Advisor, Lee International IP & Law (2016~Present)
- Director, Idea Bridge Asset Management (2020~Present)
- Senior Advisor, Ministry of Finance/KDI Knowledge Sharing Program, Dominica Republic (2020~Present)
- Auditor, Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) (2016~2019)
- Director, Institute for Trade & Investment (ITI) (2014~2015)
- Visiting Professor and Director, Seoul National University, College of Engineering, and Institutes of GreenBio Science Technology (2012~2016)
- Commissioner and Vice Minister, The Korean Intellectual Property Office (2010~2012)

- Secretary to the President for Economic Crisis Management, Presidential Office (Cheong Wa Dae) (2009~2010)
- Deputy Minister for Fiscal Affairs, Ministry of Strategy and Finance (2008~2009)
- Economic consultant, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (1997~1999)
- Deputy Director, Director, Director General, Economic Planning Board, and Ministry of Planning and Budget (1980~2008)

## Education

- Balliol College, University of Oxford (Academic Visitor, 2005)
- Saitama University Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences (M.A., Policy Sciences, 1990)
- Korea University (B.A., Business Administration, 1980)

## Qualifications

- Passed the 23rd Higher Civil Service Examination (1979)

## Publications / Presentations

- Glory and Shame of Korean Economy, Korea Economic Daily, Co-author (1998)

## Awards & Recognition

- The Order of Service Merit, Yellow Stripes (2012)
- The Order of Service Merit, Red Stripes (2006)

## Etc

- Languages : Korean, Japanese, English

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