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Germany and Korea agree upon the "Bilateral Investment Treaty" which was one of the first economic treaties between the two countries. From 1961 to 1977, South Korea sent more than 8,000 mine workers and 10,000 nurses to Germany.

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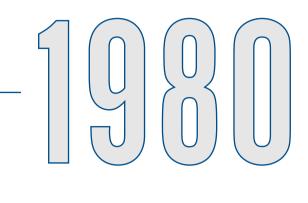
1961



President Park Chung-hee pays a state visit to West Germany for the first time among Korean heads of state and meets with President Heinrich Lübke.



President Park Chung-hee and his delegation visit Siemens factory in Germany.





Opening ceremony of the Korean-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Samsung Building, Jung-gu, Seoul. From left: Florian Schuffner, Executive Director of KGCCI; Chang Ik-Yong, Vice President of KGCCI; Dr. Otto Graf Lambsdorff, Minister of Economic Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany; Shin Byoung-Hyun, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea; Dieter Kerrutt, President of KGCCI.



The first Chamber lunch with Helmut Peper, Owner's Representative Hapag-Lloyd; Florian Schuffner, Secretary General of KGCCI; Wolfgang Eger, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Republic of Korea; Dieter Kerrutt, President of KGCCI; Shin, Byung-Hyun, Deputy Prime Minister; Koo, Cha-Hak, Chairman of KGCCI.



Dinner hosted by the South Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (From left) Lee Won-Kyung, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Lee Kyuho, Presidential Chief of Staff; Horst Hölzlein, President of KGCCI; Federal Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher; Dr. An Ho-Sang, President of the Korean-German Society.



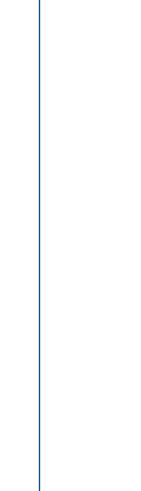
Breakfast meeting with Franz Josef Strauss, Minister President of Bavaria (center).



IMF Meeting with the German delegation.



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Hak was awarded the Order of Merit (Bundesverdienstkreuz) by the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany, Wolfgang Eger (center), for his outstanding service and untiring commitment to Korean-German relations.



Germany, meets with members of the KGCCI at a luncheon in the Seoul Hilton.



Dr. Lothar Späth, Minister President of Baden-Württemberg participates in the Chamber luncheon.



The 5th Anniversary of KGCCI.



Tape cutting at "Deutsches Haus" installed for the 1988 Olympic Games, attended by the Mayor of Hamburg Dr. Henning Voscherau (third to left), Manfred Rommel, Mayor of Stuttgart (fourth to left) and Lee Sun-Kee, President of KOTRA (second to left).



Dr. Richard von Weizsäcker, President of the Federal Republic of Germany touring the exhibition.



Opening ceremony of the Technogerma Seoul at Korea Exhibition Center (KOEX), sponsored by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi), the Confederation of German Trade and Exhibition Industries (AUMA) and KGCCI. The German industrial exhibition turned out successful with 292 exhibitors and over 500,000 visitors.



German High Speed Train ICE in front of the exhibition center.

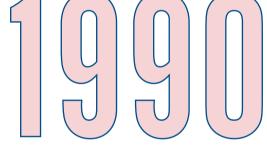
KGCCI moves to Hannam-dong.



Dr. Theo Waigel, German Federal Minister of Finance and Friedrich Honigmann, President of KGCCI.







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Helmut Schmidt, former Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany (center) pays visit to Korea. (From left) Han Kwang-Ho, President and Repr. Director of Boehringer Ingelheim Korea Co. Ltd.; Florian Schuffner, Secretary General of KGCCI; Ulrich Welser, Marketing Delegate of MTU Korea and Yoo Chang-Soon, Chairman Federation of Korean Industries (FKI).



Chancellor Helmut Kohl (second to right) visits Seoul and meets the Director of KGCCI.



A breakfast meeting in honor of the visit of Dr. Klaus Kinkel, German Foreign Minister.



H.P. Stihl, President of the Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry (DIHT), meeting with Kim S. H., President of the Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry.



Industry and Energy; (from right) Mr. Schuffner, Secretary General of KGCCI; Petra Roth, Mayor of Frankfurt and Minister Park Tae-Young.



Daewoo Chairman Kim Woo-Choong welcomes Mayor of Frankfurt.



Opening reception of "Deutsche Wochen".



Meeting of the Board of the KGCCI and former German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt at the Hotel Shilla, Seoul.





German Chambers Abroad (AHK) 100th anniversary event held in Berlin.



On occasion of the 3rd Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) in Seoul, Board Members of the KGCCI meet with the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, Mr. Gerhard Schröder.



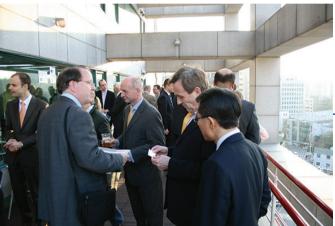
Participants of the first Korean-German Forum with Dr. Johannes Rau (sixth from right), President of the Federal Republic of Germany and Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea, Lee Han-Dong (fifth from right).



Members of the KGCCI Board of Directors meet with Ludwig Georg Braun, President of the Association of German Chambers of Commerce and Industry (DIHK).



KGCCI 25th Anniversary Business Conference with Dr. Klaus Kleinfeld, former President and CEO of Siemens AG.



The first KGCCI Sundowner.



State visit of German President Dr. Horst Köhler. During his state visit in Korea President Dr. Horst Köhler took the chance to discuss German-Korean economic trends with KGCCI and member companies. © Bundesregierung/Steffen Kugler



German Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel visits South Korea and receives the honorary doctorate of Ewha Womens University. (left: Juergen Wöhler, KGCCI Secretary General I middle: Dr. Angela Merkel I right: Dr. Hans-Ulrich Seidt, Ambassador of Germany to Korea)



2002

2003

2006

2007

2009

2011



KGCCI meeting with Joseph Fischer, Foreign Minister of the Federal Republic of Germany.



Roland Koch (left), Minister President of the Federal state of Hesse; Mr. Guenter Schuster, President of the KGCCI and President of Siemens Ltd. Seoul.



RWTH Aachen University confers the "Ehrensenatorwürde" to Dr. Huh Young-Sup, Chairman & CEO of Korea Green Cross Corporation and Chairman of KGCCI, for his extraordinary merits in promoting German-Korean relations.



The 1st "German World", exhibiting German hightech, lifestyle and science was held at COEX, Seoul.



The 11th Asia-Pacific Conference of German Industry and Trade or "APK", was held in Seoul. It was organized by KGCCI in collaboration with the Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business (APA) and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi) with over 500 participants from business circles.



The German Pavilion Expo 2012 Yeosu team held a press conference to introduce the German Pavilion. More than 60 VIP guests and journalists joined the press conference at Bärlin Restaurant



The 10th Korean Executive Forum (KEF) at Conrad Hotel. Kim Moon-Soo, the Governor of Gyeonggi province gave his keynote speech in front of **KGCCI** Members.



On April 21, KGCCI, in cooperation with Transparency International Korea and sponsored by BASF and BMW Group, held the seminar "One year after Sewol: Corruption in South Korea and the role of businesses on the road to transparency."



KGCCI hands over a donation of 5 million KRW

directly to the young athletes of the Korea Para Ski Association (KPSA) on behalf of entire KGCCI and its member companies.



KGCCI starts the first mentorship program of its newly founded group "Women in Korea" (WIR/우리).



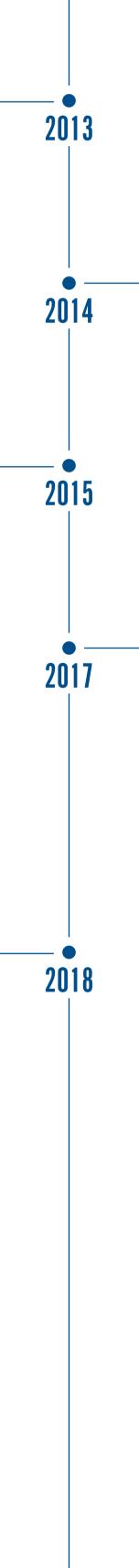
Representatives of foreign companies had the opportunity to exchange with President Moon Jae-in for the first time including Ingrid Drechsel, President of Bayer Korea and German Chairman of KGCCI as well as the representatives of eight German companies. ©Copyright: Cheong Wa Dae



Dinner with former German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder, hosted by KGCCI.



Peter Altmaier, German Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, and Sung Yun-mo, Minister for Trade, Industry and Energy of the Republic of Korea, sign the Korean-German Energy Partnership in Berlin. ©BMWI/Eriksson





in Seoul that was organized by KGCCI. (From left) Bernd Aufderheide, CEO of Hamburg Messe und Congress GmbH, Robert Müller, Managing Director facts and fiction GmbH, Han-S, German Pavilion Mascot, Dietmar Schmitz, General Commissioner at BMWi and Anthony De Taranto, Managing Director GTP Architekten.



KGCCI and Industry Delegation visit KIDMAC center in Kaesong Industrial Region.



KGCCI and other representatives of foreign chambers and foreign invested companies met with Acting Prime Minister Hwang Kyo-Ahn at the Foreign Investors' Roundtable.



in March to vote about the amendments to the Articles of Association (AOA) of the chamber. Minister Joo Hyung-hwan of the Korean Ministry



90 trainees welcomed in a Ausbildung Kick-Off ceremony which took place in the training centers of BMW Korea and Mercedes-Benz Korea.



German Federal President Dr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier paid an official visit to Korea and participated in KGCCI business roundtable with KGCCI members from various industries.





KGCCI donates 1,056,150,000 KRW (around 800,000 EUR) to Daegu Metropolitan City thanks to participation of 14 German companies and 8 individual members of the Korean-German business community in Korea to support Korean citizens suffering from COVID-19.