

Programme Overview as of July 08



*The agenda is subject to change

** Location of the Conference Programme: [Grand InterContinental Seoul Parnas](#)

Thursday, 29 October 2026

18:30 APK Welcome Reception by Deutsche Bank, Location: [The Shilla Seoul](#)

Friday, 30 October 2026

08:30 Registration & Coffee

09:30 – 12:05 Opening Session of the 19th APK
Moderation *Isabelle Körner, German Moderator*
 Ayoung Shin, Korean Moderator

09:30 Word of Welcome
Peter Adrian, President, German Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DIHK)

09:35 Opening by Conference Co-Chairpersons and Host Country
Katherina Reiche, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Federal Republic of Germany
Roland Busch, Chairman, Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business, President & CEO, Siemens
tba

10:00 Discussion: How do Global Power Shifts Impact the Economic Relations Between Germany and the Indo-Pacific? – Talk with Ministers from Asia-Pacific
Speaker *Katherina Reiche, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Federal Republic of Germany*
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11:00 Coffee & Networking



Friday, 30 October 2026

11:20	Keynote <i>Friedrich Merz, Federal Chancellor, Federal Republic of Germany</i>
11:35	Keynote <i>Jae Myung Lee, President of the Republic of Korea (tbc)</i>
11:50	Three Questions to the Federal Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany and the President of the Republic of Korea (tbc)
12:05	Scenario-Pitch & Discussion: German-Asia-Pacific Trade Scenarios in 2030
Speaker	<i>Cyn Young Park, Executive Director, South-East Asian Central Banks Research and Training Centre</i> <i>tba</i>
Moderation	<i>Dr. Dirk Jandura, President, Federation of German Wholesale, Foreign Trade and Services (BGA)</i>
12:45	AHK Business Lunch Sessions Korea India & Sri Lanka Indonesia, Malaysia & Singapore
14:30	Panel: Driving Innovation Across Asia-Pacific - AI & Manufacturing
Speaker	<i>Hanno Blankenstein, Co-Founder and CEO, Unleash Live</i> <i>Shashank Deshpande, BMD Chairman & Head of Human Pharma, Boehringer Ingelheim</i> <i>Jochen Hanebeck, CEO, Infineon</i> <i>tba</i>
15:30	Startup-Pitch and Tech Talk: German Asia-Pacific Startup Award
Speaker	<i>Roland Busch, Chairman, Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business, President & CEO, Siemens</i> <i>tba</i>
Moderation	<i>tba</i>
17:00	End of Conference Day
19:00 – 21:00	Korea Evening

Saturday, 31 October 2026

08:30 – 09:30 Simultaneous Breakfast Sessions

08:30 Navigating Uncertainty: German CEOs on Corporate Strategies Across Trade Scenarios

Speaker *Daniel Hager, CEO of Hager Group & President of the Association of Germany's Electro and Digital Industry*

Markus Kamieth, CEO, BASF

Tobias Meyer, CEO, DHL

Klaus Rosenfeld, CEO, Schaeffler AG

tba

Moderation *Julia Braune, CEO, Germany Trade & Invest*

08:30 Closing the Loop: Raw Materials, Carbon, and Supply Chains in a Circular Economy

Speaker *Toralf Haag, CEO, Aurubis*

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09:45 Tech Dialogue on Industrial AI

Speaker *Roland Busch, Chairman, Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business, President & CEO, Siemens*

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Moderation *Isabelle Körner, German Moderator*

10:30 Partners from Connected Hemispheres: Asia, Europe and Common Security Interests in the Indo-Pacific

Speaker *tba*

11:15 Coffee & Networking

11:35 Corporate Financing in Asia: Thriving Amid Geopolitical Risk

Speaker *Christian Sewing, CEO, Deutsche Bank*

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12:20 AHK Business Lunch Sessions

Japan, Australia & New Zealand | Vietnam, Thailand & Philippines | Greater China



Saturday, 31 October 2026

14:00	An Oxford Style Debate on Industrial Policy
Speaker	<i>Matthias Cormann, General Secretary, OECD</i> <i>Agatha Kratz, Partner, Rhodium Group</i> <i>tba</i>
Moderation	<i>Yanmei Xie, Senior Associate Fellow, MERICS</i>
15:00	Debate Review – Business Perspectives on Industrial Policy
Speaker	<i>Ralf Wintergerst, Group CEO, Giesecke+Devrient</i> <i>tba</i>
Moderation	<i>Isabelle Körner, German Moderator</i>
15:15	Coffee & Networking
15:45	Corporate Strategies towards Resilience: Global Challenges, Asia-Pacific Perspectives
Speaker	<i>Peter Leibinger, Chairman of the Supervisory Board at Trumpf & President of the Federation of German Industries</i> <i>Taro Shimada, President & CEO, Toshiba</i> <i>tba</i>
Moderation	<i>Jie-Ae Sohn, Invited Professor, Ewha Womans University</i>
16:30 – 16:45	Closing of the 19 th APK <i>Roland Busch, Chairman, Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business, President & CEO, Siemens</i> <i>Katherina Reiche, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Federal Republic of Germany</i>
17:00	Sundowner

