

Invitation
OeAD Country Talk »Central Asia« & Vernissage
»The Individual Collective Memory of Koryo-saram«

Thursday, 15 November 2018, 4:45 pm OeAD-House, Ebendorferstrasse 7, 1010 Vienna

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17.00 Welcoming Speech

Sherzod Asadov, The Ambassador of Republic of Uzbekistan in Austria **Stefan Zotti**, OeAD Director General

17:15 Country Talk Central Asia

Khabibullo Pirmatov, PhD Candidate, CEEPUS Scholar, Uzbekistan **Marat Karataev**, PostDoc, Ernst-Mach Worldwide Scholar, Kazakhstan

17:30 Cultural Aspects of Central Asia

Daniela Lieberwirth, President of »KultEurasia«
Society for Cultural Dialogue in Eurasia, Austria
Peter Felch, Historian, President of »VENI«
Austrian Network of Experts of C.I.S States, Austria

17:45 Performance

Central Asian artists with traditional instruments, national costumes & attributes

18:00 Introduction to the Exhibition

Svetlana Kim, OeAD

18:10 Exhibition Opening

18:15 Socialising & Refreshments with specialities from Central Asia

Vernissage »The Individual Collective Memory of Koryo-saram«



The Koryo-saram are a russified, ethnic Korean minority. 500.000 individuals live in the post-soviet space (mainly in Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Russia). Originally coming from the Northern regions of the Korean peninsula, they fled to the Russian Far East in 1863. Shortly before the Second World War, the Soviet goverment suspected the Koryo- saram of collaboration with the Japanese and forcibly resettled them to Central Asia in 1937.

The photo exhibition »The Individual Collective Memory of Koryo-saram« is dedicated to the history of the ethnic Korean minority in Central Asia and their memories, fates and transience. The photojournalist Viktor An (1947, Tashkent), himself a Koryo-saram, captured their lives in atmospheric and empathic pictures through his objective. The 20 works of Viktor An, are complemented by 6 photos by Dina Lee (1981, a Koryo-saram living in Vienna) who explores cultural and individual identities of historical and mythical personalities through portraiture.

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