



Event Notice: **Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 7:30pm**

Speaker: James Trottier, former Canadian diplomat in Asia

**China and North Korea:
A complex and deep-rooted relationship**

The presentation by James Trottier will discuss the relationship between China and North Korea and the roots of this relationship, namely the role that China has historically played on the Korean Peninsula, the way that role evolved in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, China's involvement in the Korean War and its long aftermath and the current relationship between China and North Korea. He will also discuss the way in which other countries, namely the US, South Korea, Japan and Russia, and the international context have influenced this relationship and the aftermath of the Singapore Summit between Donald Trump and Kim Jong-un.



- James Trottier is a Fellow of the Canadian Global Affairs Institute and a former Canadian diplomat from 1982 to 2016.
- While heading the political/economic (diplomatic) program at the Canadian Embassy in South Korea from 2013-16, he was concurrently accredited as a diplomat to North Korea with responsibility for political/diplomatic relations and he led four Canadian diplomatic delegations to North Korea. He also served as diplomatic liaison to US/UN Forces in South Korea.
- Since leaving the Foreign Service in 2016, Mr. Trottier has written and commented extensively on international affairs, particularly regarding North Korean issues. His articles have appeared in various publications including the Globe and Mail and the Ottawa Citizen. He has also been interviewed on radio and TV in
- He is regularly consulted by the Government of Canada, like-minded states, think tanks and others and has been a keynote speaker at various conferences, events and panels in Canada and abroad. In June 2018 he was the only Canadian expert invited to participate at a high-level closed-door conference in South Korea of a select group of international experts on North Korea.
- Mr. Trottier has a law degree (JD) from Osgoode Hall Law School and worked in a major civil litigation law firm in Toronto before joining Canada's Department of External Affairs. He also has a LL.M. in International Law and a M.A. in Modern History from the University of Toronto.

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CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

414 Sparks Street, Ottawa (between Bay Street and Bronson Avenue)

Free parking on site off Sparks Street; handicap access

Refreshments and conversation following the presentation and Q&A

All are welcome. No pre-registration required. Entry is free for CCFS members and \$15 for non-CCFS members. Tickets and membership are available at the door.