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Differences in Language Use between North and South Korea

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Abstract: Since the partition of Korea in 1945, the standard language used in North and South Korea gradually diverged from each other for the past 60 years. In this talk, Ms. Hyuna Lee Linton will present and discuss linguistic features of North Korean in comparison with those of South Korean. The discussion will address differences in lexicon, syntax, orthography, pronunciation, spacing, and loanwords. Ms. Linton will provide concrete examples of language use in the North as well as her experiences of communication with North Koreans from her numerous visits to North Korea.

Bio: From 2008 to the present Hyuna Lee Linton has been responsible for publicity and patient enrollment at the Eugene Bell Foundation. During more than twenty visits to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) over a ten-year period, Hyuna has developed many close relationships with staff and patients at the twelve multidrug-resistant tuberculosis centers in Eugene Bell's treatment program. Her interviews of North Koreans she has met on these trips provide unusual insights into the lives of ordinary people in one of the least understood nations on earth.

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