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I dreamed of being a scholar. But now I try to be an activist researcher after realized the truth of the climate crisis.

Majoring social science in university. Study with Ecological economics, environmental sociology, development studies, Korean philosophy. Now Study in Neodonala, research in Ecosophia lab, and active in Green party, Gonggi-network, Youth climate emergency action.

I will research 'The Global Ecocide Of Korean Companies' in AYARF.

Introduction

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Education and Studies

Sungkonghoe University

- Faculty of social science, Majoring Economics and Sociology.
- The Extra curriculum of NGO department.
- Research environmental sociology, ecological economics, development studies. And giogism, social economy, circular economy, climate depression, climate class. ([Collection of Research](#))
- A graduation thesis theme is 'Climate Class – the new boundary of justice'.
- 2017.03 ~

Ecosophia Lab

- Academician, youth researcher
- Learn affect theory, de-growth, climate finance, post-modernism, ecological wisdom
- Research covid-19, climate crisis, green new deal
- 2019.12~

Experience (Activist Research and Work)

1. Climate Crisis research and Active

- Green Village School In SKHU (2019.6~2019.10)
- Climate Crisis Emergency Declare In SKHU (2019.10.23)
- Green Party Korea (2017~)
- Green New Deal Korea Network (2019.12~)
- Youth Climate Emergency Action (2020.1~)

2. Make and lead study seminar

- Neodonala, Korean philosophy seminar: Kim Sangbong, Ham sukhun, Henry George, Michel Foucault, Existentialism (2017.3~)
- Green Party SKHU, Ecology seminar: Kim Jong Chul, Ivan Illich, Naomi Klein, Marx ecology, Vandana Shiva, Ernst Friedrich Schumacher (2017.3~)
- Gonggi Network, Climate Crisis seminar: climate science, green new deal, doughnut economics, commons seminar (2019.6~)
- Institute of Land and Liberty, Georgism workshop (2018.6)
- SKHU Critic Economics Society, Gyonghyang Karl Polanyi, heterodox economics study (2019.12~2020.6)
- Ecosophia Lab Climate Finance Seminar (2019.12~)

3. The Protest movement in University

- Angry students; Co-response network for university students to solve educational rights problems in SKHU (2019.3~2019.8)
- Guardians of printing room and stationery store in SKHU (2019.3~2019.8)

AYARF Research Proposal

‘The Global Ecocide Of Korean Companies’

I note three incidents this year: LG Chem's India Bikashapatnam gas disaster(5.7), Kepco and Dosan's overseas coal power plant investment structure decision. Korindo and Posco international's illegal land exploitation of Indonesia Papua. Besides, there is Samsung's suppression of Vietnamese factory workers and sexual exploitation. SK's collapse of the Laos dam in 2018.

So, the 2nd AYARF theme will be "The global ecocide, also known as ecosystem exploitation of Korea companies – Focus on chemical accident, overseas coal power plants investment, and land exploitation of palm oil farm."

Key question is that ‘Why are Korean companies notorious as villains, especially in the destruction of the global ecosystem? What is the structural cause of them?’ Korean companies are making Asia as hell now.

A huge paradox is at the center of this problem. First, the stock market does not reflect the influence of ecocide. Second, ‘greenwashing’ works well in this process. Third, public financial institutions and private companies are operative together, such as project financing. Fourth, the company's ecosystem destruction is committed to ‘double standard’. Fifth, there is a back-scratching alliance in the local corrupt government.

These are the causes. First, the corporate governance structure of Korean companies, called 'bulletproof clothing', the exclusive power of the owner. Second, the investment structure of private companies and public institutions, which evaluated only by profitability. Third, the Korean government's protection companies and connivance when the accident begins. Fourth, the lack of media awareness and be bought off. Fifth, the lack of power capacity in civil society.

The following are the alternatives I suggest. First, change corporate governance, the introduction of a joint labor-management decision system. Second, the expansion of sustainable, ESG, SRI investment and regulation policy changed. Third, the expansion of land tax and carbon tax. Fourth, the protection of the rights of indigenous peoples, the application of Georgism. Fifth, the expanded Global Green New Deal, not the National Green New Deal.

Ultimately, I'm looking forward to watching cases of exploitation by Korean companies around the world. And based on these cases, I try to make a theoretical solution, a theory that can analyze these situations critically. At the same time, I'm going to research, make it public, and active. I want to gather people in AYARF and expand my vision. ([original Proposal file by Korean](#))