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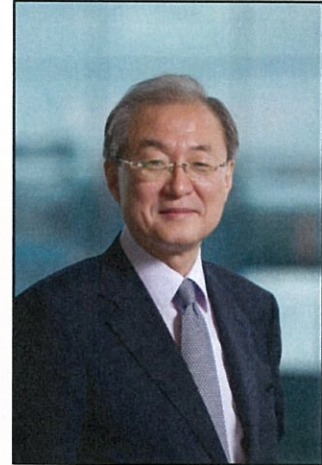
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Education

M.A. & Ph.D., Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison,
United States: 1983

B.A., Economics, Seoul National University, Korea: 1975



Professional Experience

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Minister for Trade: December 2011 – present

As Korea's Trade Minister, Minister Bark has been an ardent advocate for the multilateral trading system. He contributed to the promotion of trade agenda in global forums such as APEC, World Economic Forum, G20 and OECD. He supported efforts to restore momentum of the DDA and other negotiations at the WTO. With his initiative, the Korean government hosted an international symposium on trade facilitation in Seoul in November 2012 in an effort to develop possible solutions to pending trade facilitation issues. Even in time of economic difficulties, he ensured Korea's trade policy and practices remain in line with multilateral trade rules and standstill commitments, which won favorable appraisal at the Korea's Trade Policy Review in 2012.

He has also been active in promoting WTO-plus FTAs as supplementary means to trade liberalization. Despite considerable political sensitivities in both Korea and the United States, he was instrumental in bringing about the entry into force of the Korea-U.S. FTA. He completed the negotiations for FTAs with Colombia and Turkey. He is currently overseeing bilateral FTA negotiations between Korea and Australia, Canada, Japan, Mexico and New Zealand. In an effort to deepen regional economic integration, he launched negotiations on a bilateral FTA with China, a trilateral FTA with China and Japan, and a plurilateral FTA embracing ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan, and New Zealand.

Minister Bark's extensive experience in negotiating with other governments of both developed and developing countries has given him in-depth understanding of the interests and trade negotiating objectives of a wide range of WTO Members. At a time when sharp divergences – both practical and philosophical – have emerged in the Doha Round and other trade negotiations, Minister Bark's insights into the various competing viewpoints will be invaluable in finding ways to bridge these gaps.

He made a great deal of efforts to coordinate different government ministries in the process of developing Korea's trade policy and its positions for trade negotiations. He also dealt with numerous groups that were particularly vulnerable to trade liberalization, including farmers' associations and small- and medium-sized enterprise representatives. By doing so, he was able to contain protectionist pressures in a turbulent economic period.

In addition to his expertise in trade policy and negotiation fields, Minister Bark accumulated the administrative and organizational skills required to manage large organizations.

Korea Trade Commission (KTC)

Chairman: June 2007 – June 2010; Commissioner: May 1999 – February 2004

During his tenure as the chief administrator of Korea's trade remedy measures and laws, Minister Bark dealt with the issue of trade remedies not only from the public policy perspective, but also from the private sector's viewpoint. The experience that he gained while serving as Chairman of the KTC will enable him to deal effectively with the trade remedy issues that have become subjects of increasing disputes among WTO Members. He addressed many controversial situations to balance producers' and consumers' interests, which gave him a reputation as an effective conciliator who is very keen in facilitating communication among interested parties.

Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS), Seoul National University (SNU)

Professor: March 1997 - present; Dean: September 2006 – September 2010

GSIS of SNU is one of the most prestigious academic institutions in Korea which provide interdisciplinary education on international issues. Minister Bark has taught numerous courses related to international trade including history of multilateral trade negotiations and political economy of trade policy. When Minister Bark served as Dean of the GSIS, he established a master degree program specialized in international development policy for developing country policy makers, which is fully funded by the Korean government. He significantly broadened the admission channels for students from developing countries and academic cooperation arrangements with developing country institutions. He played a critical role to make SNU much more attentive to capacity building efforts for global communities, especially less developed parts of the world.

Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP)

Senior Researcher: November 1989 – April 1994; Vice President: June 1994 – February 1997

As one of the founding members of Korea's first think-tank with the exclusive mandate of supporting external economic policies of the Korean government, Minister Bark dealt with GATT/WTO issues in depth. During the Uruguay Round negotiations, he gave key intellectual support to the Korean government as a core policy advisor and led services negotiations. He drafted the first Trade Policy Review report for Korea in 1992. He participated in the Singapore WTO Ministerial Conference as a policy advisor. His conviction for multilateral negotiations to enhance the world trading system was strengthened during his years at the KIEP.

Office of the President

Senior Economist, Office of the Economic Secretary to the President: March 1993 – June 1994

Minister Bark worked for the Office of the President as a senior economist and was at the control tower coordinating Korea's negotiation positions during the final process of concluding the Uruguay Round. He also advised the Korean President for the first APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting held in Seattle in 1993. These experiences significantly refined Minister Bark's policy capacity at his early career.

Korea Development Institute (KDI)

Research Fellow, International Trade Division: February 1987 – October 1989

KDI was established in 1971 as Korea's first government think-tank and has made a critical contribution to the successful economic development of Korea. His interest in development issues started at the KDI where he worked on national development strategy. His commitment to development assistance grew out of his personal history – a life that has matured in parallel with Korea's economic development. His firm belief in the role of trade policies to promote both economic development and growth has made him enthusiastic about sharing the aspirations, interests and concerns of developing countries.

Georgetown University

Assistant Professor, Economics Department: September 1983 – January 1987

When Minister Bark was teaching at Georgetown University, he had a wide research network with researchers at various institutions including the Institute of International Economics, World Bank, International Monetary Fund and other universities. His sound academic rigor distinguished him among many policy experts in international trade areas. His policy decision making has always been buttressed by serious empirical evidence as well as academic wisdom.

Other Professional Experience

- Member, Committee on FTA Domestic Policy, Ministry of Strategy and Finance: June 2008 – June 2011
- Member, Global Agenda Council on Trade, WEF: March 2010 – March 2011
- President, Korean Association of Trade and Industry Studies: January 2005 – January 2006
- Visiting Scholar, East Asian Department, World Bank: July 2004 – February 2005
- Visiting Professor, Asia Pacific Research Center, Stanford University: March 2004 – June 2004
- Chair, Investment Expert Group (IEG) of APEC: March 2000 – August 2002
- Visiting Scholar, IMF: July 1999 – August 1999
- Advisor to the Korean Delegation, Singapore WTO Ministerial Conference, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy: December 1996
- Testimony for Korea's Accession to the OECD, Committee on Unification and Foreign Affairs and Committee on Trade and Industry, National Assembly: November 1996
- Advisor to the Korean Delegation for the OECD Accession Negotiations, Ministry of Finance and Economy: March 1995 – December 1996
- Member, WTO Dispute Settlement Panel: January 1995 – December 1997
- Testimony for Korea's Accession to the WTO, Committee on Unification and Foreign Affairs, National Assembly: December 1994
- Advisor to the Korean Delegation, Brussels GATT Ministerial Conference for the Uruguay Round, Economic Planning Board: October 1990
- Advisor to the Korean Delegation for the Uruguay Round Negotiations, Economic Planning Board: October 1989 – March 1993

Awards

Order of Service Merit, Yellow Stripes (Second Highest): 2010
Presidential Commendation, Republic of Korea: 1997

Selected Publications

Minister Bark has published numerous books and papers in the fields of international economics, and trade policy and negotiations.

(Books)

『Evaluation of Investment Liberalization Efforts by APEC Economies』, APEC Study Series 06-02, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, November, 2006.

『Understanding the Korean Economy』 (co-authored, Kyobo Publishing Co., 2005; in Korean).

『Principle of International Economics』 (co-authored, Pakyoungsa, 2002; in Korean).

『International Commerce: Policies, Rules and Negotiations』 (co-authored, Pakyoungsa, 1999; in Korean).

(Papers)

“Trade Promotion in East Asia: Issues and Emerging Trends,” in G. S. Cheema, C. A. McNally and V. Popovski eds., *Cross-Border Governance in Asia*, in UN University Press, April 2011, pp. 169-218.

“The G20: from Seoul to Paris and Beyond,” with Y. Rhee, *Journal of International Trade and Industry Studies*, Vol. 16, No. 1, pp. 1-42, 2011.

“Asia's Strategic Participation in the Group of 20 for Global Economic Governance Reform: From the Perspective of International Trade,” SCHWEIZERISCHE ZEITSCHRIFT FUER INTERNATIONALE WIRTSCHAFTBEZIEHUNGEN, *AUSSEN-WIRTSCHAFT*, March 2011, pp. 33-58.

“Evaluation of Korea-US FTA Negotiations Results and Their Economic Impacts,” International Trade and Business Institute, *ITBI Review*, 2007. (in Korean)

“Services Trade Liberalization in East Asia: Focusing on Telecommunications Services,” *Journal of International Trade and Industry Studies*, Vol. XI, No. 3, December 2006.

“Political Economy of Korea-Japan Free Trade Agreement: A Korean Perspective,” (with Chong Sup Kim), in C. Y. Ahn, I. Cheong, Y. Fukagawa and T. Ito eds., *Korea-Japan FTA: Towards a Model Case for East Asian Economic Integration*, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, February 2005.

“Globalization of Technologies through Foreign Direct Investment: Competitiveness Impact and Policy Implications,” (with Hwy-Chang Moon), *Asia Pacific Tech Monitor*, January-February 2002.

“Asian Economic Crisis, Foreign Direct Investment and Stabilized Economic Growth: Crisis Revisited and Implications for APEC Member Economies,” (with Hwy-Chang Moon), *Journal of International Business and Economy*, Fall 2001.

“Investment Environment after the Financial Crisis in the Asia-Pacific Region,” (with Hwy-Chang Moon), APEC Study Series 00-04, Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, December 2000.

“New World Economic Order and Future Tasks of the WTO,” *International and Area Studies*, No. 7, Vol. 2, GIAS, Seoul National University, July 1998. (in Korean)

“Korean-U.S. Economic Relations under the New Global Order,” with Il SaKong in Claud E. Barfielded., *The United States and East Asia: Trade and Investment Expansion*, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C., 1997, pp. 117-144.

“Cooperation between the U.S. and Korea in the Asia-Pacific,” with Jang-Hee Yoo in C. Fred Bergsten and Il SaKong eds., *Korea-United States in the New World Order*, Institute for International Economics, Washington, D.C. and Institute for Global Economics, Seoul, February 1996, pp. 93-105.

- “The Korean Consumer Electronic Industry: Reaction to Antidumping Actions,” in J. Michael Finger ed., *Antidumping: How It Works and Who Gets Hurt*, The University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 1993, pp. 121-135.
- “Efficiency and Export Earnings Implication of Two-Tier Quota Allocation Rules,” with Jaime de Melo, *International Economic Journal*, Vol. 3, No. 3, Autumn 1989, pp. 31-42.
- “Macro Shocks and Industrial Portfolio Responses: An Econometric Model for LDCs,” with James Tybout, *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 1988, pp. 559-568.
- “Export Quota Allocations, Export Earnings and Market Diversification,” with Jaime de Melo, *The World Bank Economic Review*, 1988, pp. 341-348.
- “Export Mix Adjustment to Imposition of VERs: Alternative License Allocation Schemes,” with Jaime de Melo, *Weltwirtschaftliches Archiv*, 1987, pp. 668-678.
- “Distortions and Intertemporal Welfare in a Small Open Economy,” *Journal of International Economics*, 1987, pp. 151-165.