

Biographical Information for Byong Whi Lee

Dr. Lee was born in Seoul, South Korea on 19 December 1930. He graduated from Seoul National University with a BS in Mechanical Engineering in 1954, Washington University with a MS in Metallurgical Engineering in 1958, the International Institute of Nuclear Science & Engineering, ANL with Diploma in Nuclear Metallurgy 1960, the University of Michigan with a MS in Physics, 1964, and the Tokyo Institute of Technology with a Doctor of Engineering in Metallurgical Engineering, 1970.

Dr. Lee started out as a Research Metallurgical Engineer, Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute in 1959. He was appointed as Director General, Atomic Energy Bureau, Ministry of Science & Technology in 1973 with overall administrative duty of the peaceful use of the atom. In 1976, he was promoted to standing Commissioner for policymaking, Atomic Energy Commission. During this period, Dr. Lee was also elected as President of Korea Nondestructive Testing and Korea Nuclear Society, and Governor of IAEA Board. He led various Korean Delegations for Bilateral as well as multilateral nuclear negotiations and International Conferences.

After 12 years of civil service, he chose to teach as a Professor of Nuclear Engineering at Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Engineering in the graduate course on Nuclear Energy Policy and Nuclear Fuels and Materials in 1985. He is currently teaching the same courses since his retirement in 1996 and concurrently is the Vice Chairman, Korea Atomic Industrial Forum, Inc. and Immediate Past President of the Pacific Nuclear Council. He has many other responsibilities in nuclear NGO as well as IAEA.

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