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CONGRATULATORY NOTICE- ELECTED DIRECTOR GENERAL

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Elected to lead the Board of Directors of the African Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea



Francis Fanuel Lyimo
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Director General, Board of Directors
African Regional Committee for the study of Juche Idea

Dear Colleagues, let us celebrate our colleague Prof. Francis Lyimo for being selected to lead the Board of Directors of the African Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea.

The election was held in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, in October 2024. Prof. Lyimo, who is the head of the Study of the Juche Idea African Region, was selected among six other professors from Egypt, Nigeria, Guinea, Uganda, and South Africa. The theme for the African Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea last year was "Imperative of Peace, Independence, and Development." Prof. Lyimo delivered a keynote speech on the same theme, focusing on youth. His topic was "Youth in Africa Must Defend Independence, Promote Peace, and Develop Their Countries with Progressive

Ideology Guidance." The speech is available at http://juche.v.wol.ne.jp/l_english/news/20241225/article2.html.

The Juche idea is the State ideology of North Korea which translates to "self-reliance". It was formulated by Kim Il-sung, the founder of the nation. Juche emphasizes independence, sovereignty, and self-determination, guiding the nation's political, economic, and social systems. Philosophically, Juche centers on the belief that **"MAN IS THE MASTER OF EVERYTHING,"** highlighting human agency in shaping destiny. Its key principles include political independence, resisting foreign influence; economic self-sufficiency, relying on domestic resources; and military self-defense, ensuring national security. While Juche is deeply rooted in North Korea, its appeal extends globally, resonating with nations in Africa, Eastern Europe, Latin America, and Asia seeking autonomy and resistance to external domination. For more information visit http://juche.v.wol.ne.jp/l_english/index.html

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