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## **Asia Leadership Fellow Program (ALFP)**

### **Asian Leaders Camp in Tokyo to Explore Unity in Diversity**

To create a close, personal, and professional network of "public intellectuals" in Asia, the Japan Foundation and the International House of Japan (I-House) have annually invited public figures from Asia since 1996 who have deep roots in civil society and who play a leading role in initiating solidarity among concerned people.

Each year, they reside at the I-House for about two months and intensively discuss regional and global concerns through dialogue, seminars, field trip, and other exchange activities. By offering the opportunity of living together, ALFP seeks to foster lasting friendships and trust among intellectual leaders beyond their own cultural, disciplinary and geopolitical backgrounds.

This year, under the theme of "**Unity in Diversity—Envisioning Community Building in Asia and Beyond,**" fellows will discuss how different values can coexist and how a community with a sense of solidarity can be realized.

**Duration: Monday, September 8, 2008, to Friday, November 7, 2008**

#### **Asia Leadership Fellows 2008:**

**Soo Im Lee**, Professor, Ryukoku University (Japan)

**Gu Yi An**, Actor, Director and Professor, Shanghai Theatre Academy (China)

**Jyotirmaya Sharma**, Professor, University of Hyderabad (India)

**Kim Haechang**, Vice President, the Hope Institute (Korea)

**Chandra Kishor Lal**, Columnist and Commentator (Nepal)

**Jose Luis Martin C. Gascon**, President, LIBERTAS (Lawyers' League for Liberty)  
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