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His expertise spans maritime law, IUU fishing, international trade, labor and human rights, and the SDGs. He has provided legal advice and spoken on ocean and fisheries issues at key domestic institutions—including Korea's Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Korea Maritime & Ocean University, and Korea University—as well as international organizations such as FAO, the UN, UNODC, and GGGI.

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