

2024 African Continent Correspondents (AfCC)

I. Program Overview

1. Program Objectives

- Identify current trends and news in various fields related to Africa, such as politics, economics, society, culture, and other areas
- Provide timely and on-site primary information and news to the Korean public
- Contribute to strengthening the Korea-Africa relationship by organizing the pro-Korea network in Africa and enhancing understanding of Korea in Africa

2. Number of Participants

- 30 AfCC (All new recruits)

3. Activity Period

- March 2024 to November 2024

4. Activities Include

- Identifying current trends and news in various fields (politics, economics, society, culture, and other areas) related to Africa, as well as activities and local events related to Korea
- Submission of 3 reports per month (analytical report, on-the-scene report, visit & interview, etc.)
- Participation in bi-monthly video conferences
- Supporting key projects of the Korea-Africa Foundation as needed
- ※ Check the activity of 2023 AfCC (<https://k-af.or.kr/load.asp?subPage=721>)

5. Major Schedule

- Announcement & application (Jan-Feb)
- On-line kick-off ceremony and orientation (20 Mar (Wed), 17:00 KST)
- Activities of AfCC and report submission (Mar-Nov)
- Annual activity evaluation (Nov)

6. Support Provisions

- Activity allowance of KRW 200,000 per month (Contingent upon diligent and satisfactory completion of each activity cycle)
- Certificate of participation as a 2024 AfCC
- Outstanding AfCC will have the opportunity to extend their activities into the following year.

II. Application Overview

1. Application Period

- 7 Feb 2024 (Wed) – 25 Feb 2024 (Sun) 18:00 KST (UTC+09:00)

2-1. Mandatory Requirements

- Must have citizenship in one of the countries located on African continent, and currently residing in the country of citizenship
- Must be at least 19 years old as of January 1, 2024
- Must be able to communicate and write documents in English or Korean
- Must be available to serve as an AfCC throughout the year

2-2. Preferred Requirements

- Demonstrates keen interest in the political, economic, and socio-cultural trends of the African continent/region/country and in promoting relations and exchanges with Korea
- Recommended by the Korean government, related institutions, academic institutions, or companies

3. Application Process

(1) Document Submission

- Applicants are required to submit necessary documents by official email(rid@k-af.or.kr) within the application period.
 - ① Application form (FORM1)
 - ② Detailed applicant statement and sample report (FORM2)
 - ③ Identification (Passport or ID card; format: PDF)
 - ④ Passport-sized Photograph (format: JPG)
 - ⑤ Proof of Graduation or Employment (if applicable)
 - ⑥ Language Proficiency Certificate (if applicable)
 - ⑦ Letter of Recommendation (if applicable)
- Please note that supporting documents (e.g., graduation certificate, employment verification) are mandatory if the corresponding information is declared in the Application form a
- All relevant forms can be downloaded from the KAF's (eng.k-af.or.kr/eng/)

(2) Document Review Announcement

- All applicants will be notified of the results via individual email by 5 Mar 2024 (Tue).

(3) Technical Check for Shortlisted Candidates

- Technical Check for Shortlisted Candidates: Scheduled for 11 Mar 2024 (Mon) 17:00 KST , to assess identity verification and internet connectivity

(4) Further Selection Process

- Alternates will be considered if shortlisted candidates are unable to proceed.

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[Form 1]

2024 African Continent Correspondents Application Form

[Personal Information]

Photo	Given Name		Family Name	
	Date of Birth	<i>DD / MM / YYYY</i>	Nationality	
	Current Residence	(Address) <i>City name required</i>		
	Contact Information	(Phone) <i>Include country code for phone number</i>		
		(Email)		
	Language Proficiency	(English) <i>TOEIC / TOEFL / IELTS score</i> (Korean) <i>TOPIK level</i>		

[Current Affiliation]

Current Employer or Institution	
Position or Title	
Department or Division (if applicable)	
Description of Role and Responsibilities	<i>Please limit your response to 50 words</i>

[Educational Background]

Name of Institution	Level of Education	Field of Study	Graduation Date
	<i>Bachelor's / Master's / Doctorate</i>		<i>DD / MM / YYYY</i>

[Professional Experience]

Name of Company	Position/Title	Field/Area of Work	Duration of Employment
			<i>DD / MM / YYYY- DD / MM / YYYY</i>

[Computer Proficiency]

<p>Do you hold any computer-related certifications? (e.g., Microsoft Office, data analysis software, photo/video editing software, etc.) if yes, please specify</p>	
<p>Describe your proficiency in using computer software relevant to this position</p>	<p><i>Please limit your response to 50 words</i></p>

[Experience with Korea]

<p>Describe any past interactions, exchanges, or experiences you have had with Korea (such as education, employment, cultural exchange, etc)</p>	<p><i>Please limit your response to 150 words</i></p>
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I hereby certify that the above information is all true and correct.

Date: dd/mm/yyyy

Applicant Name: _____(Signature)

[Form 2]

Detailed Applicant Statement and Sample Report

1. Please explain Why you should be selected for the African Continent Correspondent (AfCC) Program and How you can contribute to this program and the Korea-Africa relationship.

*This statement should highlight your motivations, qualifications, and the potential impact of your participation.

(Times New Roman, 12point, line spacing 150%, English or Korean)

Please limit your response to 500 words

2. Choose one of the following topics and write a report:

1. Recent issues in your country (political, economic, social, cultural, etc.)

2. Activities related to the exchange between your country and Korean government/public institutions/academic institutions/companies.

(Times New Roman, 12point, line spacing 150%, English or Korean)

**Guidelines for sample report*

- *Including fieldwork and interviews will enhance the score of the sample report.*
- *A logical presentation of your viewpoints in the report will be highly valued.*
- *You may attach up to 3 original photographs taken by yourself as part of the sample report.*

Please limit your response to 1,500 words