# AKF Grants Round 2015-16

# What could you do with Korea in 2015-16?

Applications are invited for projects with clear goals and committed partners. The standard grant value is \$20-30,000. The **grants round closes at 4pm AEST Thursday 16th April**. Grants information, eligibility guidelines and application forms:

http://www.dfat.gov.au/akf



Noreum Machi Artistic Director, Kim ju-hong, and Synergy Percussion Artistic Director, Timothy Constable, at the Noreum Machi studio in Seoul, 2014. (Photo: Timothy Constable)

## Australia-Korea Foundation Grants Program

The **Australia-Korea Foundation** was established by the Australian Government in 1992 to promote bilateral relations between Korea and Australia. The Foundation supports cultural and academic pursuits, business and community exchanges, and partnerships and collaborations. The Foundation's strategic plan highlights the following key areas:

- Geopolitical Relations
- Economics and Trade
- Education, Science and Technology
- Society, Culture, Arts, Sports and Media



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In the context of the entering into force of the Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement, in support of President Park's Three Year Plan for Economic Innovation and with reference to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's South Korea Country Strategy, the Foundation has designated the following priority areas for 2015-16.

#### Korean Language and Literacy

Projects developing the language and cross-cultural skills of Australians to effectively engage with Korea and deepen understanding of Korean society, politics and economy.

#### **Economic Diplomacy**

Projects which assist Australian businesses, including small to medium enterprises, to maximise the opportunities available under KAFTA and under President Park's structural reform agenda. Projects which strengthen relationships of national professional institutions and facilitate Australian services exports to Korea.



Wooranna Park Primary School students greeting online fellow students in Korea. (Photo: Asia Education Foundation)

#### Science innovation

Projects which support enduring linkages between Australian and Korean universities and research institutions. Projects which promote commercialisation of Australian research through partnerships with Korean entitites. Of particular interest are projects related to health, aging and social change.

#### Sports Diplomacy

Projects harnessing major sporting events, including supporting sporting and business relationships between Australia and Korea developed through the 2015 Asian Cup and the forthcoming 2018 Winter Olympics to be hosted by Korea.

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