

A Global Leader

A World-renowned violinist

About Dr. Jong-oh Lee

About Mrs. Hyun-ju Jin

Dr. Jong-Oh Lee was born in Yeongju, Gyeongsangbuk-do, and graduated from Pai Chai High School. He obtained his Bachelor's in Humanities from Hankuk University of Foreign Studies. Afterward, he pursued a Master's and Doctorate in Business Administration at Yonsei University Graduate School of Business, laying a profound academic foundation in business management.

Dr. Lee's business career began in Germany, where he was stationed as an expatriate for Samsung Electronics, pioneering the European market. After leaving Samsung Electronics, he founded Elson Electronics, an export company, and successfully expanded its markets over 15 years to Russia, Eastern Europe, Singapore, and Indonesia.

From 2012 to 2016, Dr. Lee served as a professor in the Department of Business Administration at Yonsei University and as an associate professor at Myongji University's College of Business Administration. He also led Elson Electronics as its CEO and contributed to the field of data strategy as a director of the Korea Data Strategy Society.

From October 2018 to 2023, Dr. Lee was appointed Vice President of International Relations and a trustee at Claremont School of Theology in the United States. Through his diverse career and academic achievements, Dr. Lee has demonstrated outstanding leadership within the Korean community and on the international stage.

Mrs. Hyun-Ju Jin graduated from Yewon School, Seoul Arts High School, and the College of Music at Seoul National University, majoring in instrumental music. In 1996, she graduated from the State University of Music and Performing Arts Karlsruhe in Germany, specializing in violin performance. In 2000, she majored in Baroque violin at the State University of Music in Trossingen, Germany. She graduated from the chamber music program at the State University of Music and Performing Arts Stuttgart the same year. Additionally, she completed the Cartusiana Meisterkurs in Austria under A. Schwarzberg and the Meisterkurs Franz Liszt in Germany.

In Germany, she showcased her talents on various stages, including solo performances at the Karlsruhe Schloss Gottesaue Velte Saal, guest performances at Vaihingen/Enz Peterskirche, an invitation performance at the University of Nuremberg (String Quartet), and performances at the Ostfriesische Landschaft Musikalischer Sommer. She was a member of the Junge Kammer Philharmonie in Baden-Wuerttemberg and the Stadt Philharmonie Reutlingen. In 2000, she became a principal member of the Stuttgart Chamber Orchestra Arcata, gaining broad international experience through tours in Germany and Spain.

After returning to Korea in 2000, she performed actively, including solo concerts, performances invited by the German Cultural Center, the Korean-German Music Alumni Concert, and the String and Bow Recommended Young String Players Series. She began leading the String Quartet Place's inaugural performance in 2002. She actively participated as a chamber musician in contemporary festivals such as Asian Composer Performances, World Women's Music Festival, Seoul International Computer Music Festival, and the Pan Music Festival. She is also a founding member of the Ensemble TIMF at the Tongyeong International Music Festival.

Mrs. Jin studied under Hae-eun Hyun, Jong-hwa Hong, N. Erlich, J. Holloway, W. Koenig, and the Melos Quartet and has served as the concertmaster of the Songpa Symphony Orchestra and a guest concertmaster of the Madri Chamber Orchestra. She has also dedicated efforts to nurturing future talents by teaching at Sookmyung Women's University, Yewon School, Seoul Arts High School, Gyeonggi Arts High School, and the Seoul Arts Center Music Academy for Gifted Youths.

