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Professor Heo is a public law professor at Seoul National University Law School. He teaches administrative law, environmental law, and law and economics. He received his Ph. D. in law and L.L.M. degree from Seoul National University Graduate School of Law, and he received his bachelor's degree in economics from Seoul National University Economics Department.

He is interested in the research topics of economic regulation with the analytic tools of economics. Recently, he is mostly interested in the field of climate change law, energy law, food safety law, and IT & privacy law. He also participated in the process of framing the Green Growth Act and the Emission Trade Act in Korea.

Before joining the SNU Law School as a faculty member in 2006, he served as a judge of Seoul Central District Court in Korea. He was a presiding judge of specialized panel for the intellectual property law cases in the Seoul Central District Court from 2005 to 2006.

He stayed as a visiting scholar at Stanford University Asia Pacific Research Center in U.S. from Aug. 2010 to Aug. 2011. He also stayed at Munich University College of Law in Germany from Dec. 2009 to Feb. 2010.

He is currently a board member of the Korean Public Law Association, the Korean Environmental Law Association, the Korean Law and Economics Association, and the Korean Regulation Law Association. He is also the chief-editor of the Korean Journal of Law and Economics.

• Work Experience

Sep. 2015 – present	Professor, SNU School of Law
June. 2016 – May. 2018	Vice Dean, SNU School of Law
Oct. 2010 – Aug. 2015	Associate Professor, SNU School of Law
Aug. 2010 – Aug. 2011	Visiting Scholar, Stanford University, U.S.A.
Dec. 2009 – Jan. 2010	Visiting Scholar, Munich University, Germany
Sep. 2006 – Sep. 2010	Assistant Professor, SNU School of Law
Feb. 2005 – Jul. 2006	Judge, Seoul Central District Court
Apr. 2003 – Feb. 2005	Judge, Incheon District Court
Jan. 2000 – Mar. 2003	Military Judicial Officer, Republic of Korea Army

• Education

Feb. 2008	Ph. D. in Law, Seoul National University Graduate School of Law
Feb. 2001	Master of Law, Seoul National University Graduate School of Law
1998 – 2000	Judicial Research and Training Institute, the Supreme Court of Korea
1991 - 1996	Bachelor of Science, Seoul National University, School of Economics

• Major Publications

2018	Public law and 'law and economics' – public law and public policy, Korean Journal of Law and Economics Vol. 15 No 1., April, 2018
2017	A study on the illegality criterion of disability glare through sunshine reflection, Korean Journal of Law and Economics Vol. 14 No 3., December, 2017
2017	Recent issues and trends of environmental law and policy in Korea, relationship between the legislature and the judiciary, contributions to the 6 th Seoul-Freiburg law faculty symposium, Nomos publication, December 2017.
2017	Public law and private law in environmental law – focused on the issue of private effectiveness of public standard -, Environmental Law Review, Korean Environmental Law Association, April 2017.

2015	The judicial review criteria in Korean administrative litigation: the proportionality principle in Korean administrative law and democratic accountability. In Jiunn-rong Yeh (Ed.), The functional transformation of courts: Taiwan and Korea in comparison (pp. 93–102). V&R unipress and National Taiwan University Press. (APA)
2015	Economic Efficiency and Political Efficiency, Korean Journal of Law and Economics Vol. 12 No 1., April, 2015
2014	"Big Data Legal Issues in Korea", Economic Regulation and Law, Vol. 7. No. 2, December 2014.
2014	"Korean Green Growth: A Paradigm Shift in Sustainability Policy, and its International Implications", Journal of Korean Law Vol. 13, No. 2, The Law Research Institute, SNU, June 2013 [English paper].
2014	"The Codification of Administrative Law in South Korea", Codification in East Asia – Selected Papers from the 2 nd IACL Thematic Conference, Global Studies in Comparative Law, Springer
2013	"The effect of the transfer notice in re-construction project to the mootness requirement in the lawsuit against the collective resolution for the re-construction project", Studies on Administrative Law XVIII-2, The Korean Administrative Law Studies Association
2013	"Rational Choice in Modern Administrative Law - with the behavioral economics approach to the two major cases in Korea-", Journal of Korean Law Vol. 12, No. 2, The Law Research Institute, SNU, June 2013 [English paper].
2013	"A study on the scope and criterion of judicial review in administrative discretion", Public Law Vol. 41, No. 3, Korean Public Law Association
2013	"Green Growth 1.0", co-author, published by the Green Book Committee
2013	"A study on the interpretation of local government legislation in coordination with Civil Code", Journal of Private Case Law Studies XXXV, Academy of Private Case Law Studies.
2012	"Tort law in the era of climate change", The Judiciary Vol. 21, The Supreme Court of Korea.
2012	"The enforcement power of administrative action based upon the legislation which is ruled as in violation of Constitution or higher level law", The Selected Analysis of Administrative Law Cases, The Association of Study on the Administrative Law Cases.
2011	"An Overview of Food Safety Regulation in Korea - Precautionary Principle vs. Cost Benefit Analysis -", The Law in the Information and Risk Society, Goettingen University Press.
2011	"Intellectual property, competition law, and economics in Korea", Intellectual property, Competition Law and Economics, Hart Publishing, co-author with Prof. Sang-Seung Yi.
2011	"Energy Law in the Era of Climate Change", Economic Regulation and Law, Vol. 4. No. 1, May 2011.

2010	"Climate Change and Rule of Law", co-edited book, Pakyoungsa Publishing Co., 2010.
2010	"Establishing Climate Change Regulatory System and Social Discount Rate Debate", Environmental Law Review, Korean Environmental Law Association, March 2010.
2009	"Public Law Theory and Public Policy(I) – A Theoretical Foundation of Public Choice Theory as an Analytical Tool for Public Law Theory -", Korean Journal of Law and Economics Vol. 6 No 2., Korean Law and Economics Association, December 2009.
2009	"The Protection of Private Information in the Internet under Tort Law in Korea: From the Perspectives of Three Major Legal Conceptions of Law", Journal of Korean Law, The Law Research Institute, SNU, December 2009 [English paper].
2009	"Economic Efficiency and Rule of Law", co-edited book, Pakyoungsa Publishing Co., 2009.
2009	"Several Legal Issues on Private Information Leakage Lawsuits - mainly about the methodology of finding law in hard cases -", Justice, The Korean Legal Center, April 2009.
2008	"Administrative Law Theories on Economic Regulation and Economic Efficiency", Seoul Law Journal, The Law Research Institute, SNU, December 2008.
2008	"A Study on the Protection of Private Information in the Internet under Tort Law", Journal of Private Case Law Studies XXX, Academy of Private Case Law Studies, 2008.
2008	"A Study on Public Choice Theory and Judicial Review - On the Insights of Public Choice Theory as Criteria for Judicial Review -", Ph. D. Dissertation in Law, SNU Graduate School of Law, 2008.
2007	"A Study on Several Misunderstandings of Economic Analysis of Law", Seoul Law Journal, The Law Research Institute, SNU, December 2007.
2007	"A Study on Precautionary Principle and Cost-Benefit Analysis in Food Safety", Environmental Law Review, Korean Environmental Law Association, December 2007.
2006	"The Concept of Public Interest Demonstrated in Korean Court Precedents", Journal of Korean Law, The Law Research Institute, SNU, December 2006 [English paper].
2005-2006	"An Economic Analysis on the Theory of Abuse of Rights - Property Rule vs Liability Rule -", Bop-jo, Korean Lawyers Association, December 2005 - January 2006.
2005	"An Economic Analysis on the Principle of Sustainable Development", Environmental Law Review, Korean Environmental Law Association, December 2005.
2005	"Politics and the Law", Seoul Law Journal, The Law Research Institute, SNU, June 2005.

Awards

2007	Award of Excellent Teaching from Seoul National University College of Law
2010	Co-edited book "Economic Efficiency and Rule of Law" Award of Excellent Academic Book from the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism
2011	Co-edited book "Climate Change and Rule of Law" Award of Excellent Academic Book from the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism
2018	Wi-Gong Law and Economics Award, Korean Law and Economics Association

• Academic Activity

2015 – present	Editor in Chief, Korean Journal of Law and Economics, Member of board of directors, Korean Law and Economics Association
2015 – present	Member of board of directors, Korean Environmental Law Association
2015 – present	Member of board of directors, Korean Regulation Law Association
2018 – present	Member of board of directors, Korean Public Law Association