

True Mother Revives International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences (ICUS)

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True Father launched the International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences (ICUS) in 1972. For nearly thirty years, annual conferences in great world cities brought together eminent scientists, including Nobel laureates, in sessions focused on absolute values and cross-disciplinary unity. From 2000-2016, True Parents turned their attention to other pressing matters of world conflict and suffering. However, those years witnessed a steep rise in threats to humanity's future from pollution and the destruction of the environment. In 2017, True Mother revived ICUS, calling upon scientists to address environmental concerns.

ICUS XXIII convened at the Lotte World Hotel in Seoul on February 4-5, 2017 under the theme, "Earth's Environmental Crisis and the Role of Science." In her remarks to scientists, True Mother stated: *When God created the cosmos he set up the principle of circulation, so it would last for eternity. However, because of the humankind's mistakes, our beautiful earth is sick ... If we would have followed the direction God established at the Creation - the principle of circulation - no pollution would have developed. In many ways scientific civilization caused much pollution. This is the reason I am reviving ICUS. We have to stop the threats that endanger human life and the survival of the planet.*