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Talent Dissemination in Education: Reconceptualizing Talent and Its Social Value through Psychosocial Development



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Abstract

Education for talent development has traditionally emphasized identifying and cultivating individual potential across domains and levels of ability. Although this approach has broadened opportunities for talent to be realized, it has positioned exceptional individual performance as the endpoint of education. I argue that education should move beyond talent development and address how talent contributes to others and society. This shift calls for talent to be reconceptualized as both an individual capacity and a social resource. Psychosocial characteristics are fundamental to this reconceptualization because they shape how individuals recognize, sustain, and share their abilities in relation to others and the common good. How, then, should education nurture these characteristics and facilitate the transformation from personal to social talent? Drawing on programs developed and implemented in South Korea, this talk proposes a framework for talent dissemination in education and examines the role of psychosocial development in linking individual excellence with social contribution.

About the Speaker

Seon-Young Lee, Ph.D., is Professor of Education at Seoul National University, South Korea. Her research centres on gifted and creative education, talent development, creativity, leadership, and career development. She has published more than 130 research articles, books, and book chapters and has served in editorial roles for several leading scholarly journals. A former President of the Korean Society for Creativity Education, Dr. Lee has received numerous academic honours, including the 2026 Korean Youth Counselling Association Academic Award and the 2011 *Gifted Child Quarterly* Paper of the Year Award. She is also the developer of the *Global Talent Identification Measure* (i+3C), an assessment designed to identify and foster students' potential in intelligence, creativity, character, and leadership.

Zoom Meeting (For participants who couldn't attend the Seminar in person)

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