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변화의 물결: 한국 트위터에 서 페미니즘의 상승과 하강 추적하기 (Tidal Shifts: The Rise and Fall of Feminist Prevalence on Korean Twitter)

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In Korea, the internet has become a vital stage for discussions about gender equality and feminism. This talk narrows in on Twitter, a platform that has played a key role in empowering young feminists since 2015. By examining how often the term 'femi-(페미)' for feminism/t appears in Korean Twitter profiles, the study identifies three clear trends: a growing interest, a peak, and a decline in the mention of feminism. These trends give a wide-angle view of how the size of self-identified feminists and general feelings about feminism have shifted in Korean Twitter, reflecting the ups and downs of the movement itself. This analysis helps shed light on the complex relationship between online activism and society's changing attitudes toward feminism in Korea, making it accessible to those interested in both social media's influence on culture and the modern history of feminism in Korea.

*The presentation will be in Korean.