National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence
Fellow Koreans and the main architects of the Republic of Korea’s artificial intelligence development, At 3:40 a.m. one early morning in May this year, an elderly man called out “help me” to an AI speaker as he collapsed from high blood pressure. The virtual assistant recognized his shout as an emergency signal, alerted a 119 rescue squad and saved his life in the end. Similar cases have been reported several times already. The Government has provided AI speakers to perform this function as part of its support for senior citizens who live alone.

The era of artificial intelligence is now coming into full view. Our daily use of artificial intelligence includes automatic translation services on smartphones and automotive navigation systems. AlphaGo, which defeated the world’s strongest 9-dan Go player Lee Sedol, might be seen as just the beginning of artificial intelligence. AI has progressed to the extent of bringing innovation to industries, transforming our everyday lives and providing in-home care services. It is moving beyond scientific and technological advancements and is approaching us as a new civilization.

Today at DEVIE 2019, Korea’s largest artificial intelligence developers conference, I am meeting with the first generation of a new type of humans who are creating an AI-based civilization. Automobiles, one of the mainstays of our conventional flagship industries, are being fused with AI and evolving into future cars, typified by autonomous driving vehicles. Korean smart factories, known for using AI to enhance productivity and energy efficiency, has been identified as one of the “lighthouse factories” – those leading the global transformation of manufacturing. A Korean startup that applies a deep-learning algorithm to detect defects has been valued at US$200 million. Another Korean business venture that produces AI-based software to assist with medical diagnosis has been listed on the AI 100 ranking, which showcases the 100 most promising artificial intelligence companies in the world. It has attracted 20 billion won in venture investment this year alone.
Entrepreneurs and developers who are writing success stories in various AI fields, I am very reassured by and grateful to all of you. I am pleased to inform you first of Presidential Initiative for Artificial Intelligence.

Fellow Koreans, AI is the companion of humanity. Humans became the masters of the earth as they came to have intelligence and, at the same time, began to take unlimited responsibility for this world. Human beings might be the only creature with high intelligence in the vast universe. However, we are prone to err and often make irrational decisions. Humanity’s intellectual exploration has helped unceasingly expand its own intellectual ability. AI is the culmination of a human dream to constantly complement shortcomings and become more perfect.

The era of the Fourth Industrial Revolution is indeed an age in which imagination can change the world. Korea is neither the first country to have ushered in the era of artificial intelligence nor the country with the best AI technology at present. However, the country has people capable of turning their imagination into reality and taking on challenges to pursue novelty. Even in the throes of the 1997 Asian financial crisis, the country led the Internet Revolution and now boasts world-class manufacturing competitiveness, globally unmatched ICT infrastructure and abundant data concerning e-government. If we link artificial intelligence primarily with the sectors in which we’ve accumulated extensive experience and competitiveness, such as manufacturing and semiconductors, we will be able to give birth to the smartest yet most humanlike artificial intelligence. The Government will join forces with developers to help them fully utilize their imaginations and turn their ideas into reality.

First, we’ll create an environment where they can exercise their imagination to the fullest, work together and take on new challenges. Among the numerous theories on human intelligence, I feel particularly drawn to the theory that its development has been to further cooperation. If we ensure that developers can turn their imagination into reality by switching to a so-called negative regulatory system defined by the principle of “approve first, regulate later” and if we enable scientists, engineers, artists and students to cooperate by boldly tearing down barriers between different sectors, our country’s AI will bring about the fastest progress in the world. We will also create a new model of global cooperation through an AI Olympics, a festival of creative ideas and technologies, and the AI Grand Challenge where the best brains participate in solving pending issues. In addition to existing policies concerning the establishment of AI graduate schools and the Innovation Academy, we will allow universities to create new, or expand existing, majors related to high-tech fields. University professors will be permitted to hold positions in companies concurrently, which will help attract the world’s best minds to our country. We will actively cooperate with the National Assembly to ensure that the three bills concerning the data economy are passed before the end of this year.
Second, we will provide support companies to earn profits. The Government has earmarked 1.7 trillion won in next year’s budget for data, networks and AI, up 50 percent from this year. We will create an environment in which companies can confidently invest in areas where they're competitive and quickly make profits. We will intensively funnel our policy funds into startups that will determine our future and will create an industrial ecosystem where innovation continues perpetually. The Government will make preemptive investments in such sectors as next-generation AI chips so as to secure a leading position in the global market. Data and cloud computing are needed in the age of AI. The Government will fundamentally innovate the establishment, opening and utilization of data sources at every stage. Open data will be made available to the public in principle, and the Government will expand its support for the high-capacity cloud computing needed for the development of AI by businesses, universities and research institutions.

Third, we will be unrivalled in terms of our use of AI. The more people use AI without fear, the more our industry can grow. Opportunities to learn about AI will be provided to everyone: young people in their 20s searching for jobs, employees in their 30s and 40s seeking career changes, those in their 50s and 60s preparing for a second-career opportunity after retirement, and seniors. The Government will make sure that AI can be utilized and consumed without restraint.

Fourth, the Government will become AI-oriented. Right after the inauguration, my Administration launched the Presidential Committee on the Fourth Industrial Revolution. It selected ‘Data, Network, and AI(DNA)’ as three new innovative industries and has supported them. Last year, ‘AI R&D Strategy’ and ‘Data Industry Vitalization Strategy’ were put in place at the pan-government level and have steadily been implemented. The Government itself will actively use and support AI at every opportunity. We will transform ourselves into an AI-based digital government, going beyond the world’s best e-government. We will provide high-quality services, starting with those areas that can directly impact the people’s lives such as the environment, disasters, safety and national defense, so that the public can sense the changes. The Government’s public services will also be transitioned to internet- and smartphone-based ones.

Fellow Koreans, distinguished AI developers and Entrepreneurs, the advancement of AI will lead humanity into a world never experienced before. AI will not only affect industrial sectors but also solve many issues facing our society: public health in an aging society, welfare for senior citizens living alone, the safety of women living by themselves and the prevention of crimes that are becoming more sophisticated. Let us work together so that AI can operate in a people-centered manner and become a driving force behind social innovation. By the end of this year, the Government will propose a national AI strategy based on this framework initiative for a completely new AI. The Korean government will also pay special attention to changes in the job market and AI-related ethical issues.

The development of innovative technologies will be achieved through sharing and interaction like at DEVIEW 2019. I ask you to share your rich experience and wisdom filled with innovative imagination. I hope everyone will work together to realize our dream. Thank you.
National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence

The world is entering a new era of transformation, the 4th Industrial Revolution, and artificial intelligence (AI) is at the center of this huge revolution. AI, which only existed in the imagination in the past, is rapidly growing based on the development of ICTs such as the increase of computing power, data accumulation, and network advancement such as 5G. AI has started to be used and spread through all industries, including manufacturing, healthcare, transportation, environment, and education, and we can now easily encounter it in almost every aspect of our daily lives.

Artificial intelligence, with its cognitive, learning, and reasoning abilities, is expected to assist or replace human intellectual functions in the future, in the same way as machines such as steam engines substituted human physical labor in the age of industrialization. AI will create new added value by catalyzing innovation throughout the industries, provide people with greater convenience in their daily lives, and will also be a powerful way to resolve social problems such as population aging and crime prevention. In the AI era, AI fundamentally changes the way of working and the job structure, while proliferation of AI could present dysfunction and security threats. Therefore, rather than accepting these changes passively, we should be active change agents in creating a brighter future.

I think it is time for us to prepare for a world where people and artificial intelligence can coexist. For this, in December last year, the government adopted a government-wide National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence under the vision of “Toward AI World Leader beyond IT” in an effort to give shape to the “Presidential Initiative for Artificial Intelligence (Oct. 2019)” announced by President Moon Jae-in. The strategy focused on maximizing our national strengths such as the world’s best ICT infrastructure and semiconductor and manufacturing technology, while realizing people-centered artificial intelligence with consideration and respect for people, beyond technical and industrial viewpoints. If the public and private sectors work together to successfully implement this national strategy, we can secure world-class digital competitiveness and significantly improve the quality of life for people by 2030.

We are standing at an important crossroads where the lives of our future generations are at stake. In the meantime, we have to enhance our nation’s capacities to raise our status as the world’s top-10 economy, and to enable people to enjoy a more affluent and happier life. In the era of AI that harmonizes with innovation and engagement, I would welcome your active interest and participation in opening a new future AI era for the Republic of Korea.

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What is the prospect for AI?

Changes caused by AI

The world in which we are living faces a huge civilizational change through the 4th Industrial Revolution that we have never experienced before. At the center of this change is artificial intelligence (AI), which performs human intellectual functions as machinery replaced human physical labor in the past industrialization process.

By engaging in intellectual activities of human beings with a computer, AI has developed the ability to perceive situations, to make rational and logical judgments and take actions, and to conduct emotional and creative functions, which are regarded to be owned only by humans. As a result, AI is expected to bring about a paradigm shift in all areas, including the humanities and societies, beyond mere technical dimensions. Many experts are presenting diverse opinions that our society can be transformed into a utopia or dystopia. More importantly, experts share a common perception that we have to be thoroughly prepared for the huge wave of the 4th Industrial Revolution.

Comparison of Changes and Influence of the Industrial Revolution

※ Source(reorganized): Presidential Committee on the 4th Industrial Revolution
It is expected that the future development of AI will lead to innovative transformation throughout the industries, societies and life.

First of all, in terms of technology, the development of AI technology will be accelerated with the emergence of technologies such as AI algorithm (deep learning), which discovers, judges, and infers rules through self-learning based on networks and big data that have been developed separately in the past.

In industrial terms, AI is not only a new industry that generates enormous added value, but also a source fundamentally changing the competitive structure of the existing industries by innovating existing production methods, increasing productivity and creating new industries. Global companies such as Microsoft, Amazon, Apple, and Google are all transforming themselves into AI companies based on big data and platforms. By 2030, 70% of companies around the world will use AI and global GDP will grow by $13 trillion. (McKinsey, 2018)

In addition, in terms of society and human life, AI will bring fundamental changes in the job structure, and enhance convenience of life for the people, while creating the gap between the old system and new technology. As AI replaces simple and repetitive tasks, new jobs will be created focusing on tasks that require creativity, and job changes and job transfer will accelerate.

The proliferation of AI will provide convenient services and contribute to solving the problems that our society is encountering. But the diffusion of new innovative services will also be new conflict factors among various stakeholder groups.
Understanding AI

[Concept] Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a science and technology that performs human intellectual functions with machines.

[Growth] AI has rapidly advanced in the 2000s with the growth of computing power, the emergence of excellent algorithms, the accumulation of data* resulting from the widespread penetration of smartphones, and network development**.

* Annual data accumulation amount: 15.5 Zeta Byte(2015) → 50.5(2020) → 175(2025) (equivalent to 175 trillion of 1G films)
** Penetration of optical cable-based high-speed Internet and spread of wireless Internet and Internet of Things (IoT), etc.

[Utilization] AI can perform machine learning, have cognitive functions such as verbal, visual and auditory senses, and understand and interpret the situation. It can create new added value through convergence.

[Impact] International organizations and global consulting institutions are paying special attention to the potential and ripple effects of AI.

- **OECD** AI will change the economy and society, improve productivity and well-being, and contribute to solving global challenges.
- **WTO** New technologies such as AI will fundamentally change trade, resulting in annual trade growth of 1.8~2%.
- **McKinsey** AI has the potential to generate trillions of dollars worth of value across the economy.
- **PwC** AI is not just a new technology, but a new world and it has already changed everything.
Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)

The recent proliferation of protectionism like the U.S.-China trade conflict and Brexit has increased global uncertainties and concerns over the economic downturn. The political and economic environment in Northeast Asia is also rapidly changing. China continues to lead the technological innovation ranking 1st in the Supercom TOP500 countries and showing the most AI-related paper publishing results (49,000 cases between 2013 and 2017) while Japan strengthens its checks on Korea through export control.

Existing industries face difficulties due to the saturated global demand and increased uncertainties. In particular, the continued global recession in Korea’s key industries, such as shipbuilding and automobile industries, is having a negative impact on our economy.
[Domestic Trends]

The Korean government has continued to assist innovative growth by drastically expanding the budgets for DNA (Data, Network, AI) and the BIG3 sector (System Semiconductors, Bio Health, Future Vehicles) (3.2 trillion won in 2019 → 4.7 trillion won in 2020). Thanks to such expansion, key indicators such as new corporations including startups and SMEs as well as venture investments are continuously improving.

With the global economic slowdown weakening the growth potential of the Korean economy, it is time for active response to revitalize the economy.

In addition to the rapid demographic changes, various social problems also require urgent solutions. Due to the low birthrate, Korea is aging the fastest in the world, and this rapid increase in welfare demands is boosting the need for preemptive actions. Active responses by the current government have led to a rise in total household income, which has partially alleviated the deterioration in income distribution, increasing the income of the first bracket in six quarters (Q2 in 2019. KOSIS). However, distribution of income is still inadequate compared to major advanced OECD countries.

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*Source: Ministry of SMEs and Startups

Investment in venture companies is expected to record the highest in 2019 (about 4 trillion won) as it reached 3.5 trillion till October 2019

Changes in demographics (NSO)
Necessity of National Strategy for AI

In an environment where the global economic downturn and uncertainty are surging, AI is emerging as a powerful solution that can increase economic vitality and resolve various social problems.

The cognitive, learning and reasoning capabilities of AI will improve industrial productivity and result in new added value throughout industry by maintaining an optimal production environment and predicting and controlling obstacles. In addition, more use of AI-based precision diagnosis and real-time risk detection functions will greatly contribute to solving social problems such as caring for the elderly in the aging era, preventing crime and strengthening public safety.

Therefore, advanced countries are utilizing their strengths such as technologies of private sectors (USA), manufacturing competitiveness (Germany), large-scale capital and data (China), and taking the lead in global AI to solve national challenges such as the aging population (Japan) with AI.

In particular, the world’s major countries are concentrating their national capacity by leaders’ declarations and announcements on AI strategies such as U.S. President Trump’s approval of the American AI initiative (Feb. 2019), Chinese President Xi Jinping’s declaration of AI vision (Oct. 2017), and German Chancellor Merkel’s resolution on AI strategy (Nov. 2018).

Expected effects of Utilizing AI in each Sector (~2022)

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<td>Traffic accident 5% ↓</td>
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<td>Manufacturing</td>
<td>Manufacturing productivity 10% ↑</td>
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<td>Finance</td>
<td>Obtain 95% accuracy in detecting financial accidents</td>
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<td>Medical Welfare</td>
<td>Healthy life expectancy 3 years old ↑</td>
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<td>Achieve 95% ↑ of accuracy in early diagnosis of dementia</td>
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<td>Achieve 90% ↑ of crime clean-up rate</td>
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<td>Forest damage area 10% ↓</td>
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As the development of AI and competition to take leadership are accelerating, the future of next generations is expected to depend on the current efforts.

It is necessary to prepare a national strategy and implement it nationwide so as to take advantage of the radical change in the course of human history caused by AI as an opportunity to restore economic vitality and solve many issues facing our society.
## Policy Trends of Major Global Players

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| **U.S.** | • (American AI Initiative Executive Order (Feb, 2019)) Enhance autonomous competitiveness of the private sector and give priority to AI investment through long-term and proactive government investment in R&D and human talents.  
Focus on utilization of next-generation R&D and military security, which are not easily pursued by the private sector |
| **China** | • (Next Generation AI Development Plan (July 2017)) Promote government-led large-scale investment and human resources development in Data and AI sectors, and foster specialized platforms* for each industry by designating leading companies.  
  * Baidu (autonomous car), Alibaba (Smart cities), Tencent (medical/health), iFLYTEK (voice)  
Securing AI competitiveness by building industry-specific platforms utilizing domestic companies and accumulating enormous data under the government’s lead |
| **Japan** | • (AI Strategy 2019 (March 2019)) Accelerate AI technology innovation as means of revitalizing industrial power and solving social problems such as low growth and aging population, and nurture 250,000 AI applying talents, 2,000 high-skilled talents, and 100 top-quality talents every year.  
Perceive it as major tasks required to secured industrial competitiveness and solve social problems |
| **Germany** | • (AI Made in Germany (Nov. 2018)) Secure AI Technology through large-scale investment for the purpose of securing industrial competitiveness in the small and medium-sized manufacturing sector through AI, promote the Industry 4.0 strategy through AI application, and promote vocational training and improve legal regulations responding to changes in labor markets.  
In addition to efforts for securing industrial competitiveness in the small and medium-sized manufacturing sector, it entails responses to changes in job markets (vocational training, etc.) |
| **U.K.** | • (AI Sector Deal (April 2018)) Propose five AI-related polices including attracting AI global enterprises, establishing AI environment and nurturing human resources to increase industrial productivity.  
Focus on nurturing AI talent and creating business environment based on cooperation with the private sector |
| **France** | • (AI Recommendation (March 2018)) As AI is the core factor of the future digital economy, aiming at competing with AI powerhouse and solving social problems through AI, France is pushing for the creation of data and AI ecosystems, industrialization of strategic areas and solving issues on job, employment, ethics, etc.  
Include responses to job changes as well as securing industrial competitiveness and solving social issues |
### AI Use Cases and Domestic Market Trends

#### AI Use Cases

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<td>Kimpo City’s Chatbot ‘Dasomi’, a companion and guardian of the elderly</td>
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<td><strong>[Education]</strong></td>
<td>AI, an assistant teacher of Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education who can speak with students in English</td>
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<td><strong>[Manufacturing]</strong></td>
<td>POSCO’s second hot rolling plant, which was selected as the nation’s first ‘Lighthouse factory’ by WEF</td>
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<td><strong>[Agriculture]</strong></td>
<td>‘Planty Cube’ which can control the environment according to the sort of crops</td>
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<td><strong>[Security]</strong></td>
<td>AI, which wipes the tears from the eyes of victimized women of illegal shooting of pictures</td>
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#### Domestic Market Trends

- **Venture Investment in AI (Ministry of SMEs and Startups)**
  - 2017: 39 cases, 40.8 billion won
  - 2018: 66 cases, 136.9 billion won

- **Investment Trends of Major Companies**
  - Samsung: Establish seven AI centers in five countries around the world
  - Naver: Establish Naver Labs for AI R&D
  - Hynadai: Select AI as sector for strategic investment and expand investment

- **Success Cases of Domestic Startups**
  - ‘SUALAB’: rewriting the history of M&A of domestic startups
  - ‘MINDs Lab’: the nation’s representative AI service provider
  - Developed AI-based manufacturing unmanned inspection solution and was acquired by America’s Cognex (a machine vision company) for $195 million, the largest amount among domestic startups’s overseas M&As
  - Sales of various AI technologies and services, including AI-based customer service and automatic connection to a call center, AI voice generation, and traffic management → Annual sales of 11 billion won, investment attraction of 26.3 billion won.
4 Action Strategy

Since the establishment of the Presidential Committee on the 4th Industrial Revolution (Nov. 2017), the Korean government has significantly expanded its support for DNA (Data, Network and AI), announcing various policies including: AI R&D Strategy (May 2018); Data Industry Activation Strategy (June 2018); System Semiconductor Strategy (April 2019); 5G+ Strategy (April 2019); and Manufacturing Renaissance Strategy (June 2019).

In particular, President Moon Jae-in recently announced the ‘Presidential Initiative for AI’ (Oct. 2019) to raise public awareness of AI, the decisive driver of the 4th Industrial Revolution, and to create an opportunity for the purpose of gathering national capabilities. Korea has many advantages of utilizing AI including high education level (1st in higher education completion rate of young people in OECD countries), high acceptance of new technology (1st in the world of smartphone penetration rate), and the world’s best ICT infrastructure and semiconductor and manufacturing technology (1st in market share in memory semiconductor).

If we focus our national support on the areas of strengths based on our policy efforts, we can close the gap with global AI leaders. To this end, the government presents a national vision and nationwide action plans for a new leap forward in our economy and a better society, taking advantage of the civilizational changes by AI as a great opportunity.

- **Policy efforts of Korean government**
  - Launch the Presidential Committee on the 4th Industrial Revolution (Nov. 2017)
  - Declare a transition to the Data Economy (Aug. 2018)
  - System Semiconductor Strategy (April 2019)
  - Commercialization of world’s first 5G (April 2019)
  - Manufacturing Renaissance Strategy (June 2019)

- **Investment in DNA**
  - 1,158.9 billion won (2019)
  - 1,710 billion won (2020 Draft)

- **Presidential Initiative for AI**
  - Create an environment where people can exercise their imagination to the fullest, work together and take on new challenges
  - Support companies to earn profits
  - Be unrivalled in terms of the use of AI.
  - AI-oriented government

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1st in higher education completion rate of young people (OECD, 2019)

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1st market share in memory semiconductor (IHS Markit, 2018)

- **Do not hallucinate.**

Japan 9% Taiwan 5% Korea 58% U.S. 18%

1st in smartphone penetration rate (Pew Research, 2019)

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Our strengths
Fundamental innovation in the economy and society as a whole will require combined national capacities. In the AI era, the private sectors, including the people who are the change agents, the companies that are the source of AI competitiveness, and the academic community who can present the future directions, are expected to lead the innovation. In the meantime, the Korean government, as a reliable supporter, plans to implement policies of building infrastructure for the industry and society, including active support for private sector’s innovation, cultivation of human talents and improvement of future capabilities of people, and innovation of regulatory and legal systems for large-scale AI projects, etc.

**Future Vision Based on National AI Strategy**

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<td>AI ecosystem</td>
<td>Establish reliable AI infrastructure including AI human talent and technologies, etc.</td>
<td>Secure world-class AI competitiveness</td>
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<td>AI utilization</td>
<td>Expand utilization of AI to whole industrial and social sectors</td>
<td>Enhance economic and social vitality</td>
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<td>People-centered</td>
<td>Respond proactively to social changes including job markets</td>
<td>Improve happiness of people and quality of life</td>
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We are faced with challenges to revitalize the industry, solve social problems and achieve people-centered social innovation beyond the development of AI technologies. To this end, we leverage our strengths to establish our own strategies in three areas: AI ecosystem, AI utilization, and people-centered, to secure world-class AI competitiveness, enhance vitality in the economy and society in general, and promote the happiness and quality of life of the people.
Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)

Core Strategies and Goals (2030)

Innovation of AI Competitiveness

- AI Infrastructure enhancement
- Securing competitiveness in AI technology
- Drastic regulatory innovation and revision of laws
- Nurturing global AI start-ups

Establishment of global-leading AI ecosystem

World’s 3rd largest digital competitiveness
* now, world’s 10th country (IMD)

- Open 45,000 sorts of big data
  * now, 1,500 sorts

- Achieve 95% of AI technology competitiveness
  * now, 82% (IITP, compared with U.S.)

- Create one of top-5 regulatory environments
  * now, 26th (IMD)

Economic effect of AI, Up to 455 trillion won
* McKinsey, KISDI

- Improve basic AI ability of people
  * now, focused on elementary and middle school

- Achieve 30% of manufacturing value added rate
  * now, 25.5% (OECD)
  "Manufacturing renaissance strategy"

- Complete next-generation intellectual government

Full-scale Utilization of AI

- Nurturing world’s best AI talent and educating people
- Diffusing AI technology across all industry areas
- Building the best-performing digital government

The country that makes best use of AI

- Top-10 countries in terms of quality of life
  * now, top 30 (OECD)

- Top-5 countries in terms of life satisfaction
  * now, ranked 31st (OECD)

- Establish global-level AI ethics

Harmony and coexistence with AI

- Establishing an inclusive job safety network
- Preventing dysfunction and establishing AI ethics

Realization of people-centered AI

- Top-3 countries in cyber safety index
  * now, ranked 18th (ITU)

[ Three major areas ]
ecosystem, utilization, people-centered

[ Nine major strategies ]
1. securing infrastructures~
2. preparing AI ethics

[ 100 major tasks ]
100 tasks to be implemented nationwide
National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence

How to achieve? (Core Strategies and Tasks)

1. Establishement of Global-Leading AI Ecosystem

1-1. AI Infrastructure Enhancement

Strengthen the core infrastructure of the AI industry, including data and computing power, and expand regional AI innovation clusters throughout the country.

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<th>Year</th>
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Current Situation and Issues

There is a lack of data available to individuals and companies, and the distribution structure is closed. In particular, it is not easy for small and medium-sized companies to secure high-performance computing resources* that cost a great deal to build.

* The first reason for not undertaking data analysis at smart factories (Manufacturing innovation TF, July 2019): it is difficult to establish infrastructure (30.3%)

Action Strategy

The key strategy is to expand and improve data supply and demand-generation systems reflecting private demand, and secure large-scale high-performance computing resources to support data utilization, and build AI innovation clusters at major hubs across the country to promote balanced national development beyond the revitalization of regional economies.

Supply: Open up data as much as possible

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Demand: Expand social and industrial use

- Data Voucher
  - card transaction data
  - traffic data
  - satellite data

- AI Voucher
  - support the adoption of AI customized for enterprise

- Data flagship
  - social safety
  - finance
  - manufacturing
**Key Tasks**

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### Promotion of Opening Up Data and Reuse

| “Full Opening of Public Data (~2021)” |

- Promoting full opening of public data held by public institutions (~2021)
  - In particular, actively exploring and opening public data to promote the use of AI in new industries (such as autonomous driving, smart cities, etc.)
  - As for the data that is not openly available (personal information), carrying out projects which enable enterprises to access data to develop algorithm and actively use it
    - (Example) AI-based airport identification tracking system (2019~2022): Development of algorithm by establishing a separate space with a secure environment to safely utilize 90 million facial data held by the Ministry of Justice

- Full opening and distributing the data in 10 big data platforms (built in 2019)
  - Strengthening the linkage with the big data centers in the public sector and increasing participation of private organizations with data

- Expanding the construction of AI learning data and securing of AI development infrastructure through the “AI Hub” platform supply
  - Platform which provides data required for AI R&D, SW and high-performance computing service seamlessly
  - Constructing and opening of specific data such as x-ray and autonomous driving video, etc. including speech recognition in Korean language and letter images and other general purpose data (200 million in 75 kinds by 2022)
    - (Example) Developing Korean Corpus linguistics (National Institute of the Korean Language· Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism, 2019~2022)

- Strengthening strategic cooperation with the rapidly growing new southern and northern countries which are rapidly growing based on Official Development Assistance (ODA) and securing scarce data resources

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### Strengthening Linkage between Public/Private Data Map

| “Linkage between Public / Private Data Map (2021)” |

- Reinforcing the linkage of public and private data maps in order to provide comprehensive support for the production, distribution, and utilization of data in all areas of society
  - Establishing government-wide data platforms through analysis and utilization of decentralized data in public sectors* (national data map has already been constructed (April 2019))
    - Central government agencies in 2019 → municipalities and public institutions in 2020

- Building a private data map* (2020) for each sector and combining it with the national data map (2021)
  - Integrating data generated from big data platform and data store with the result of comprehensive data survey
Expanding support for utilization of customized data required by each company
- Introducing an AI voucher system that enables companies that are willing to adopt the optimal AI solutions for their products (2020)

Support for Data Utilization

- Identifying companies that need the use of AI
- Matching suppliers with users
- Developing solutions and issuing vouchers
- Verifying use and paying voucher fees

Expanding the ‘MyData Demonstration Project’ (2018–, Ministry of Science and ICT) using the personal data with the consent of the information owners to the administration, medical, and finance fields (2020–)

Revising ‘Three Acts on Data’ for the safe use of data and establishing data-related legal systems (safeguarding personal rights and establishing the concept of data ownership)
Securing High-performance Computing Resources

- Expanding computing power to support the development of AI by universities, companies, and research institutes
  - Increasing the computing resources of the ‘AI Hub’ and differentiating* the support according to users’ demand
    * (2019) 200 institutes, 20TF each (Tera Flops) → (2020) 800 institutes, 10~40TF, differential support
  - Building a data center (within the ‘Gwangju AI Cluster’, ~2024) which provides world-class computing resources

Proliferation of AI Innovation Cluster

- Creating an innovative AI ecosystem that promotes convergence of AI and the region’s flagship industry such as automobiles, energy and healthcare (‘Gwangju AI Cluster’ (2020~2024), total project cost of 393.9 billion won)
  * ΔBuilding the core infrastructure for AI development (data centers, etc.) Δsupporting AI industrial convergence R&D and AI startup

Establishing a ‘National AI Hub Strategy’ considering the characteristics of each major hub in order to expand the ‘AI Innovation Cluster’ (2020)
- Developing a comprehensive support strategy that reflects various demands, such as collaboration and joint studies between universities and nearby startup complexes and the convergence research and commercialization cooperation between universities and research institutes

In recent years, various efforts have been undertaken, such as the creation of industrial-academic cooperation complexes (Seoul National University), support for startups linking universities and local venture valleys (POSTECH), and AI R&D and commercialization cooperation between universities and funded entities (KAIST) by developing a site near the universities.
1. What is the prospect for AI?

2. Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)

3. How to achieve? (Core Strategies and Tasks)

4. How to approach? (Governance and Action Plans)

Securing Competitiveness in AI Technology

Lead the global AI market and ecosystem by securing competitive technologies and industries equal to leading countries.

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Current Situation and Issues

While the USA is leading the global AI ecosystem, China is growing rapidly with massive capital and data. In addition, given the rapid pace of AI development, there is a growing concern that the gap between Korea and the leading countries will widen.

Technology Gap with the USA (IITP, 2018)

Al Competitiveness Map (McKinsey-Element AI, etc.)

Action Strategy

We secure AI competitiveness that encompasses hardware and software by ‘selecting and focusing’ on the areas where 1 Korea can do well and 2 dominate the market in advance. In addition, we will 3 expand the support for AI basic research and software, and 4 reorganize the AI R&D methods completely to reinforce AI fundamentals.
Proactively developing next-generation intelligence semiconductors that will become the core competitiveness in the AI ecosystem

- Investing* heavily on ① design technology to improve the computational speed, ② future devices to reduce power consumption, and ③ equipment and process technology for the microprocess (2020~2029)
  * Total project cost of 1,009.6 billion won: Ministry of Science and ICT 488 billion won, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy 521.6 billion won
- Securing a global technological competitiveness* through platform development in core fields, leveraging the world’s No.1 memory technology, and innovating R&D strategies
  * Computational speed up by 25 times and power consumption down by 1,000 times by 2029

Taking advantage of the world-class memory semiconductor competitiveness to develop new-concept artificial intelligence chips (PIM)* that integrate memory and calculation (processor)
  * Processing-In-Memory: A semiconductor which transfers CPU centered computing into memory centered computing like brain structures, which is expected to solve current memory-processor speed efficiency degradation and power growth problem

Making proactive investments in the creative and challenging next-generation AI research and development (R&D) (2020--) where there is no outstanding player
  * Preliminary feasibility study on the next-generation AI development project → securing more than five core technologies by 2030

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### Key Tasks

## Securing AI Semiconductor Competitiveness

### Innovation of AI Semiconductor R&D Strategy

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## Dominating Next-generation AI

### Next-generation AI Research (Example)

- Explainable AI about decision-making processes
- AI to learn with small amount of data
- AI with applied learning
- AI to measure and express learning capability
1. What is the prospect for AI?

2. Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)

3. How to achieve? (Core Strategies and Tasks)

4. How to approach? (Governance and Action Plans)

### Strengthening AI fundamentals

**“Intensive Investment in Basic AI Research (2020, Preliminary feasibility)”**

- **(Basic Research)** Expanding support for basic AI research*
  
  * Conducting preliminary feasibility studies in related fields such as brain function, cognitive science, and machine learning research

- **(SW)** Improving systems to promote the growth of the SW industry which is the foundation of AI (revising the ‘Software Industry Promotion Act’) and mainstreming SW-friendly education and culture
  - Moving to the Cloud in the public sectors to promote the use of the Cloud service, which is an element of the ‘Data-Cloud-AI’ chain (2020)
  - Preparing and sharing standard contract to promote SW business and to protect SW developer, and conducting a written survey on subcontract status for SW companies in the public sector (2020)

- **(Statistics and Analysis)** Establishing an AI industry statistics system for AI market analysis and policy development, and providing relevant information to companies and universities by analyzing big data on AI patents (2020)

### Complete reorganization of AI R&D

**“Expansion of Innovative R&D (2020~)”**

- Expanding AI R&D in innovative ways that will promote competition in good faith and creative challenges
  - Increasing the proportion of survival-type ‘Competitive R&D’ and ‘Challenging R&D (competition)’ that solves national social issues with AI (2020~)

- Researching and introducing new types of R&D that can significantly strengthen expertise away from the mechanical fairness-oriented evaluation system (Organizing and operating specialized research group 2020)

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Drastic Regulatory Innovation and Revision of Laws

Current Situation and Issues

Despite the advent of the AI era, there are concerns that there will be a gap between the current legal system and new technologies, and that technological innovation may be delayed due to the lack of basic principles responding to the proliferation of AI. In particular, as AI is expected to have a great impact and a chain effect on the entire nation and society in the future, a comprehensive regulatory innovation strategy is required. At the same time, there is an urgent need for follow-up revision of laws and regulation concerning the cases already allowed through the regulatory sandbox.

* Among a total of 40 cases permitted under the ICT regulatory sandbox (as of November 2019), 30 cases require follow-up regulations and revision (16 laws, 9 presidential decree-rules, five standards-notice (excluding overlapped cases and authoritative interpretation))

Action Strategy

The current regulatory framework should be changed into a negative regulatory system to allow all innovative attempts to create new services and accelerate the spread of innovation by pushing for revision of laws subject to regulated sandbox cases. In addition, we are going to establish a future-oriented legal system that supports the AI era as soon as possible.

‘Approval first and Regulate later’ on New Industries and New Technologies

We will drastically make a transition to a comprehensive negative regulation system.
### Key Tasks

#### Shifting Regulatory Paradigm in AI Field

- Establishing a ‘comprehensive negative list regulation roadmap’ in AI field under the basic principle of ‘Approval first and Regulate later’ to keep up with the fast pace of AI-based innovative services (2020)

#### Comprehensive Negative List Regulation System

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- Spreading the case of innovation through timely revision of laws and regulations (2020), focusing on matters requiring revision of laws and regulations based on cases of temporary approval and case study results under the regulatory sandbox

#### Regulatory Sandbox

- **(Concept)** A system which supports the demonstration or market launch despite the existing laws and regulations in case where new technologies and services do not harm the lives and safety of the people
- **(Main content)** Prompt check, Special cases, Temporary permission
- **(Operation status)** (as of Nov. 2019) ICT(Jan.17, 2019–, 40 cases), Industry convergence (Jan.17–, 33 cases, Regulation free zone (April 17–, 23 cases), Finance (April 1–, 60 cases)
- **(Typical cases)**
  - Mobile driver’s license
  - Management of patient with wearable electro-cardiograph (Huinno, special case)
  - Mobile electronic notice of public institutions (Kakao pay, KT, temporary permission)
  - Sharing economy accommodation service (Wehome, special case)
- **(Additional support)** Providing close support for the entire process of commercialization, including demonstration project costs, customized commercialization consulting, and prioritization of patent applications, through the ‘Growth program’ designed for startups and small and medium-sized enterprises.
- **(Case of Legislation)**: Two cases
  1. Mobile e-Notice service for administrative and public institution’s notice based on text message, info-talk (Temporary permission in Feb. 2019) → Pursuing revision of [Standards for Designating Personal Identification Institution (Notification)]
  2. Smart IoT electric vehicle charging outlet (Temporary permission in March 2019) → Preparing temporary criteria for power metering performance evaluation
Preventing framework legislation that presents a national strategic direction, including basic values and principles of the AI era, and measures to prevent dysfunction (2020)

〈Main contents of framework legislation (Draft)〉

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Preemptively reorganizing the legal system of each sector to keep up with technological development and social change in the AI era in line with discussions at the global level

- Launching ‘(Temporary name) Legislative Preparation TF for the Future AI Society’ (2020), involving relevant ministries, ICT institutions, corporations, and academia, respectively, by mobilizing all national capabilities
  
  * Preparing a reorganization plan by identifying common and sector-wise legal issues that may face the era of AI

**Common legal issues**

- Granting legal status to AI: Issues of responsibilities for accidents occurring when using AI services
- Securing safety of AI: Introduction of emergency stop (Kill switch) of AI and necessity of penal provision
- Relations of rights and duties including contract upon using AI algorithm and data, and data ownership
- Whether or not granting status of copyright holder and inventor to AI for its creation and invention, etc., and granting method and scope, etc.

**Legal issues by sectors**

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Nurturing Global AI Start-ups

Create an innovative ecosystem where anyone can start his or her own business and grow it, providing that he/she has innovative Ideas and AI technologies.

Current Situation and Issues

Recently, the demand base of the AI market has been expanding as products such as AI speakers and Chatbots are released. However, the size and investment level of the domestic AI market are still low compared to the global market. Moreover, a number of innovative startups are emerging in various application fields such as medical, finance, and education, but this does not lead to the creation of a sustainable AI ecosystem.

Action Strategy

The Korean government plans to greatly expand the support throughout the entire life cycle for challenging and creative startups that can lead the AI ecosystem. In addition, it also aims to become the center of the global AI startup ecosystem by enhancing technology of domestic startups through a big event such as the ‘AI Olympics’.
Key Tasks

Creation of Innovation Ecosystem

- Expanding the investment and funding for promising AI startups
  - Creating an AI investment fund and holding investor relations (IRs) for AI startups (2020)
    * Securing investment in the DNA sectors by utilizing a 2020 venture fund (more than 5 trillion won), which will be raised by investing the parent fund
    * Raising AI funding of around 300 billion won through KIF (Korea IT Fund) contribution and matching of other funds
  - Supporting AI innovators by establishing a ‘Future Technology Development Fund’ (2020)

Future Technology Development Fund

- Policy fund to support small and medium-sized enterprises and startups in the innovative growth fields such as DNA (Data, Network, AI) and three major new industries (system semiconductors, bio-health and future vehicles), etc.
- Providing support for companies with a history of 3~10 years within the amount of 10 billion won (working capital of 1 billion won)

- Providing preferential treatment to guarantee technology (guarantee ratio 85% → 95%) and reducing guarantee fees (0.3%p) for innovative AI technology holders

Identifying and nurturing outstanding AI startups using startup platforms

- Identifying and supporting data-based AI startups using Open Square-D* which is a public-data-based startup platform (2020)
  * Hub for startups which provides consulting and training services as well as business space (six cities including Seoul, Busan, Gangwon, Daejeon, Daegu, and Gwangju)

Program | Main contents
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Provision of data | Provision of public data and support for utilization
Field training on data | Training on utilization of public data and education on analysis and visualization
Consulting on data | Consulting on data utilization customized for company

- Creating the local government league and private league within K-Startup, the startup competition jointly held by the government (2020) to expand opportunities for identifying excellent startups
- Providing preferential treatment to companies specialized in AI and big data when selecting TIPS* (Tech Incubator Program for Startups) operators (2020)
  * Program that selects and intensively nurtures startup teams that have global market leading technology through the private sector
1. What is the prospect for AI?

2. Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)
   - Advancing as a global AI mecca by hosting the ‘AI Olympics’ (2020~), a venue for competition and exchange among AI startups around the world
     * Hosting the ‘AI Olympics’ as main event of the Global Startup Festival ‘ComeUp2020’
   - Selecting excellent teams and providing fund for commercialization through competitive games and challenges linked to the world AI startup competition and AI R&D Grand Challenge
   - Developing networks of technology exchanges and investments for AI experts and startups by providing a venue where cutting-edge AI products and services will be demonstrated

3. How to achieve? (Core Strategies and Tasks)
   - Securing infrastructures to promote AI startups
     - Holding an event where AI experts and startups can exchange technology and know-how (‘AI Meetup’ in 2020)
     - Expanding the voucher program** supporting commercialization funds for prospective AI business founders (1.9 billion won in 2019 (34 people) → 2.2 billion won in 2020 (40 people))
     * Initial commercialization fund (maximum 100 million won) and training on startup and exclusive mentoring services are available.
     - Improving the legal system to promote technology-based startup and to strengthen public-private sector cooperation and entry into the global market (Revision of the Support for Small and Medium Enterprise Establishment Act, 2020)

4. How to approach? (Governance and Action Plans)
   - Globalization of AI Startups
     *Hosting AI Olympics (2020)*

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Events of AI Olympics (Example)

- Competition of AI image recognition
- Robot Soccer
- AI Games
- Competition for AI translation and interpretation
The Country that Makes Best Use of AI

Nurturing World’s Best AI Talent and Educating People

Innovate the education system so that the world’s best talent can grow continuously and all citizens can make good use of AI.

Current Situation and Issues

Korea faces an absolute shortage of AI talent compared to the leading countries, and it is expected that the lack of human talent will be intensified due to the increasing demand in the AI industrial field.

The era of AI will be start with the eradication of digital illiteracy around SW and AI, but our SW and AI education has still stayed at the beginning stage, resulting in a miss of educational opportunities at school and after graduation.

* Israel provides mandatory curriculum for SW for a total of 180 hours at middle school, and other countries such as U.S., U.K. and Japan are also actively providing mandatory education. In Korea, SW education is given for only 51 hours (17 hours at elementary school, and 34 hours at middle school).

Action Strategy

The government makes policy efforts to secure a system and nurturing programs that will enable human talents to grow into the world’s best AI talents by offering interdisciplinary AI convergence curriculum.

In order to cultivate digital literacy for all the people, the government is planning to expand education programs by life cycle and job type, and reform the school education system focusing on SW and AI.
Key Tasks

Establishment of a System
Nurturing AI Top Talent and Professionals

- Laying the foundation for a steady inflow of talented people by improving regulations on university operations
  - Allowing the creation and expansion of AI-related departments using vacancy (100~300 students per year) and increasing the number of enrollments in the national universities if additional demand for new departments is recognized (in non metropolitan areas) (2020~)
  - Establishing a customized incentive system by allowing AI-related teachers to hold positions in private sector to attract AI experts working in the private sector as professors (2020)

- Expanding the highest level of master’s and doctoral level AI education and research programs* within the university
  * Creating AI sector at the four-stage Brain Korea 21 (2020~2027) course and university-centered research institutes (2020~)
  - Expanding and diversifying AI graduate programs reflecting specificity of each university*
    * (Current criteria) opening of department → (Revised criteria) opening of department, converged department, cooperative course, regional industry convergence track, center in university, etc. (2020~)

- Providing various channels to nurture AI professionals, including short-term intensive curricula* (non-degree course) and industry-specific customized curricula** based on cooperation with industries
  * Creating Innovation Academy (‘42 Seoul’) (Dec. 2019. 500 students per year)
  ** LiNC+ (Socially customized department) Planning to create additional AI-related agreements course using increased budget (2020)/Promoting ‘Industrial AI Professionals (Master’s and Doctoral-level) Training Projects’ in the areas of steel and automobiles (2019~)

Full-scale AI Convergence Education

- Easing the regulations to promote the creation and operation of interdisciplinary majors between AI and other majors*
  * Improving the regulations so that universities can autonomously create a new interdisciplinary major and choose its department regardless of the admission unit (revision of the university establishment operation regulations, 2020).

- Reinforcing basic education for SW and AI to enable the growth of converged talents who can combine AI capabilities and expertise in other fields (humanities, society, medical and arts)
  - Making SW-AI education compulsory for all students from SW-centered University, and promoting AI-teaching among the professors “Teach the Teachers” to spread to universities nationwide in the future.
Running AI basic literacy training course for all military personnel (2020~)
  * Using the military massive online open course (M-MOOC), military educational institutions and information education centers, etc.
  - Providing in-depth education in partnership with the specialized training institution for ICT-related arm of service

Making AI literacy education mandatory course for new and promoted public officials to enhance the AI awareness of public sectors (2020~, aiming at least 1,500 persons per year)

Spreading the AI utilization capability training required at industrial sites for employees in each industry including small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and venture companies, and industrial complex (2020~)
  - Developing and operating industry-specific AI training programs focusing on improving the work proficiency and productivity of field workers (2020~)

Cultivation of AI Technology Sensitivity by Occupational Group

### Curricula by Occupational Group (Industry)

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Systematic Delivery of Lifelong AI Education

- Providing online and offline lifelong education courses so that anyone can acquire AI literacy and knowledge
  - Creating AI programs or courses within the academic credit bank system, and evaluating the learning processes according to the Act on Credit Recognition (2020~)
  - Developing and providing various online education contents* including the Massive Open Online Course (K-MOOC) and cyber university so that adult learners can acquire AI competency
    * K-MOOC AI fields will provide 20 courses (2020), cyber universities will provide two courses (2020).
  - Providing various AI experiences and education* tailored to characteristics of places and users by utilizing spaces close to the public, such as libraries, museums, science museums, and welfare facilities for the elderly
    * (Library) Education utilizing AI sensitivity experience ("Read to a Robot"), (Museum) Exhibition guide AI robot experience, (Science Museum) AI basic experience education, (Welfare facility) AI Speaker and Chatbot for the elderly, etc.
Significantly expanding SW and AI learning opportunities to reinforce the computational thinking of elementary, middle and high school students

- (Lower grades of elementary school) Including the SW and AI curriculum focusing on play and experience to foster understanding and interest in SW and AI from an early age (2022)
- (Higher grades of elementary school and middle school) Expanding the mandatory education so that all students can acquire the basic skills of SW and AI, which are essential for the future society (~2022)
  * Expanding the curriculum of elementary and middle school education (currently 51 hours) and improving SW and AI capabilities through various subjects
- (High School) Continuous expansion of high schools focused on SW-AI curriculum so that students can voluntarily complete the advanced SW and AI courses (2020-)

Supporting teachers to complete SW and AI courses from the training and recruitment stages (2020-)

- (University of Education) Revise the standard (notification) for the qualification of teachers to complete the AI-related contents.
- (College of Education) Include SW and AI related contents in teaching and related majors
- (Graduate School of Education) Establish new majors related to AI integrated education and supporting participating teachers

Establishing Giga speed wireless network (at least four classrooms per one school) (2020) at elementary and middle schools across the country

Providing SW/AI educational opportunities* at various levels and locations outside the school, such as finding and nurturing SW and AI gifted students, ensuring educational opportunities for vulnerable classes and rural residents and training instructors, etc.

Follow-up Measures for ‘Presidential Initiative for AI’ ①

- Direction of Nurturing of Human Talent in Future Society Cutting Edge Sectors-

“In addition to existing policies concerning the establishment of AI graduate schools and the Innovation Academy, we will allow universities to create new, or expand existing, majors related to high-tech fields. University professors will be permitted to hold positions in companies concurrently, which will help attract the world’s best minds to our country.”

(Presidential Initiative, Oct. 28, 2019)

A Mid- to Long-term Plan for Human Talent in preparation for Future Society with the participation of relevant ministries led by Ministry of Education (Nov. 11, 2019, Ministerial Meeting for Social Affairs)

Not only a follow-up measure of ‘Presidential Initiative for AI’ but an AI HR Plan aligned to 「10 Major Tasks of Investment in Human Resources」 (’19.4, Presidential Committee on Jobs) and 「University Innovation Support Plan」 (Announced in August 2019)

Main Contents

① Fostering Talents in Future High-tech Fields
   Intensive development of talents in relevant fields through new creation and expansion of departments related to government-designated new industries.

② Fostering Innovative Talents in Science and Engineering Fields
   Examination of innovative ways to foster future talents in science and technology specialized in new industries, etc. and suggestion of ways to resolve mismatches between industry and education

③ Revamping Teacher Training System
   Mitigating rigid qualifications requirements for elementary and secondary teachers so that they can be the subject of future school innovation, and comprehensive improvement of teacher nurturing, selection and training system

④ Restructuring Medical Staff Training System
   Preparation for changes in future medical environment such as aging population and the 4th Industrial Revolution, and fostering human resources in the medical field to improve regional and public medical services
Current Situation and Issues

With the spread of the 4th Industrial Revolution, advanced ICTs such as AI have emerged as key elements of market competition and industrial production. However, the global competitiveness of our traditional industries such as manufacturing industry is deteriorating, so it is very necessary to secure new growth momentum by accelerating existing policies such as the ‘Vision and Strategy for Manufacturing Renaissance’.

Action Strategy

It is essential both to achieve tangible results* through AI convergence focusing on the sector with larger market size and higher effect and to expand to other areas such as transportation, cities, and culture to upgrade the overall industrial system. In order to promote AI convergence and utilization in all industries, the government is implementing the ‘AI+X Projects’.

* Increasing revenue and cost-reduction will bring about economic effects of up to 19 trillion won in the manufacturing sector and 25 trillion won in the medical sector (KISDI, 2019).
Implementing AI convergence projects that can generate significant results that the public can feel by facilitating the convergence of AI and each industry through the use of the large-scale data held by the public sector

- Building a public-private sector collaborative ecosystem in which companies specialized in AI, competing companies in each sector and the public organizations participate, and providing initial business opportunities to domestic AI companies

Case of AI Convergence Project

Dr. Answer (AI-based Precision Medical Solution)

- It is under clinical test with the AI-based disease prediction, diagnosis, and treatment solution (2018~2020, total 36.4 billion won)
  - Total of 46 industries, universities and institutes including Seoul Asan Hospital, Medical institutes/ICT companies, etc.

Expansion of AI Convergence from Manufacturing Sector to All Industries

Advancing smart factories based on AI and data

- Building a manufacturing data center and platform that accumulates smart factory data and supports process and quality analysis (2020)

- Preparing a plan to support AI utilization in manufacturing sectors such as product simulation, remote diagnosis, and facility predictive maintenance through high-performance computing infrastructure

- Building AI-based Smart Factory which increases productivity while reducing waste through process optimization by digital data analysis using AI (100 in 2022 to 2,000 in 2030)

Realizing the manufacturing sector’s renaissance through ‘intelligentization of all industries’ where AI and industry converge

- Building and spreading problem-solving industrial data platforms which combines data collection based on industry-specific standard and AI application services

- Implementing the ‘Industrial AI Project’ including development of industry-specific standard AI modules for the industrial use of AI
Generating and commercializing AI convergence products with global competitiveness by industry

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<td>Shipbuilding</td>
<td>• Develop autonomous ship (2020<del>2025) and Korean-type smart yard (K-Yard) (2021</del>2026, under preliminary feasibility study)</td>
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<td>Designing Automation</td>
<td>• Establish digital engineering platform to implement design automation ((2021~2025, under preliminary feasibility study)</td>
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<td>Robot</td>
<td>• Develop AI Converged Next-generation Robot (2019<del>2022) and establish performance evaluation-demonstration infrastructures (2020</del>2024)</td>
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<td>AI Home appliance</td>
<td>• Establish Home appliance big data common platform to support SMEs (2019~2022)</td>
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<td>Ceramic</td>
<td>• Establish I-ceramic platform to improve process efficiency and flexible production in large volume (2019~2021)</td>
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<td>Materials</td>
<td>• Establish digital simulation platform to draw optimal development method befitting to material and parts (~2021)</td>
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Supporting the innovation of SMEs and small merchant using AI
- Supporting smart services that enhance the added value of products and services of SMEs through AI and big data-based pre-diagnosis (predictive maintenance, function improvement, etc.) (2020)
- Promoting product and service innovation for small merchant by developing/distributing smart store* (2020~) and establishing a measuring data analysis and utilization platform (2021~)
  * A store which dramatically improves services and management using advanced digital technologies such as AI, VR-AR, fintech, O2O, etc.

Bio / Medical
- Establishment of New Drug Development AI Platform (2021)

Nurturing bio and medical sectors as the next major industries by leveraging AI
- Dramatically reducing the new drug development period (15 years → 7~8 years) through establishing the phased new drug development AI platform (~2021)
- Building a dataset and AI development ecosystem centered on medical institutions, such as medical data-oriented hospitals* and field demonstration of medical AI services and products** (2020~)
  * Support by designating hospitals with medical research capabilities, establishing medical data production and utilization, and information systems (May 2020)
  ** Support empirical research of various medical services such as emergency response, medical voice support, patient counseling
- Improving the quality of AI medical devices and reducing time required for commercialization from three years to one year by establishing standard data for clinical verification and a professional review system (~2021)
Improving the quality of urban life and the productivity and safety of the construction industry through AI Convergence

- Establishing AI-based data hub connecting and utilizing smart city data
- Securing smart construction technologies such as CPS (Cyber Physical System) based construction site control and simulation (2020~), and building a smart construction support center (2021)

Creating an autonomous driving environment based on AI technology and advancing the logistics industry

- Developing autonomous cooperative driving technology (2019~) that responds to all risks, and autonomous driving public transportation technology (2021~) that optimizes routes and intervals according to the demand for traffic
- Securing port logistics optimization technology to share and analyze port resources such as containers, workers in real time using AI and IoT technologies (~2021)

Using AI for efficient energy consumption and supply

- Establishing an energy big data platform which develops and provides new services by accumulating and utilizing major energy supply and consumption data such as electricity, heat, and gas (2020~)
- Developing intelligent power generation which reduces maintenance costs by combining AI with sunlight (2020~)

Improving the accuracy of fine dust forecasting (2018~) using AI-based big data analysis and building a real-time monitoring system for underground water pollution by livestock manure (2018~)

Developing intelligent network slicing through AI-based automation of the 5G core network (2020, when adopting the Stand Alone method) to create a 5G convergence service
1. What is the prospect for AI?

2. Where is Korea aiming? (Vision and Goals)

3. How to achieve? (Core Strategies and Tasks)

4. How to approach? (Governance and Action Plans)

**Agriculture and Fisheries**

- Supporting agricultural and fisheries workers with smart technologies such as AI and enhancing high added value of the agricultural and fisheries industries
  - Developing intelligent smart farm solutions* (~2027), and creating a smart farm innovation valley for technology demonstration, data collection and AI utilization (four regions by 2022)
    * Smart farm decision-making support model, and unmanned automation smart farm technology which allows AI itself to grow agricultural products
  - Building test beds for smart farming (more than six places by 2022), and carrying out ‘Aqua Farm 4.0’, which applies AI and data as the foundation for AI in the entire farming cycle (2019-).
    
**Culture / Arts**

- Creating new markets for the cultural industry through the production of converged content combined with AI
  - Developing intelligent character creation engines and platforms that give intelligence to characters (~2021) and an AI-creation platform that supports content creation based on learning (2020-)

**Legal Affairs**

- Building smart correctional facilities with advanced ICT-based smart bands such as AI and IoT and noiseless mobile CCTVs (2019-)
  - Expanding AI convergence in core tasks in accordance with the Defense Intelligence Promotion Roadmap (2020) and building an intelligent platform* (2020-) that develops and supports common AI service for all military forces
    * Quickly analyze and process large-scale defense data and develop and support common services such as medical care, logistics, and administration
  - Accelerating the development of intelligence that supports the command system (collaboration and determination process) by building an intelligent data center (2020-) for the standardization, accumulation and sharing of defense data
### Full-Scale Plan to Utilize Industry-specific AI

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<td>- Developing and commercializing AI convergence products in autonomous vehicles, shipbuilding, design, robots, home appliances, ceramics, and material sectors</td>
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<td>- Developing and distributing smart stores to support innovation of SMEs and small merchant (2020→), etc.</td>
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<td><strong>Bio-Medical</strong></td>
<td>- Establishing the phased new drug development AI platform at each stage (~2021), supporting for medical data-oriented hospitals and field demonstration of medical AI services and products (2020→)</td>
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<td>- Establishing sample data and professional review system for clinical verification of AI-based medical devices (~2021)</td>
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<td><strong>Smart city·Construction</strong></td>
<td>- Building an AI-based open data hub in smart cities (2020)</td>
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<td>- Securing smart construction technology (2020→), completion and expanding smart construction support center (2021→)</td>
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<td><strong>Transportation·Logistics</strong></td>
<td>- Developing autonomous cooperative driving technology (2019→) and autonomous driving public transportation technology (2021→)</td>
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<td>- Securing real-time sharing and analysis technology for port resources (containers, workers, etc.) (~2021)</td>
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<td><strong>Energy</strong></td>
<td>- Building an energy big data platform that accumulates and utilizes energy supply and consumption data and promoting intelligent solar power generation (2020→)</td>
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<td>- Developing Intelligent network through 5G core network automation (2020)</td>
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<td>- Optimizing radio resource utilization by converging with AI (2021→)</td>
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<td><strong>Agriculture and Fisheries</strong></td>
<td>- Creating Smart Farm Innovation Valley (4 places in 2022), and developing intelligent smart farm solution (~2027)</td>
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<td>- Building test beds for smart farming (6 places in 2022), and ‘Aqua Farm 4.0’ which applies AI in entire farming cycle (2019→)</td>
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<td>- Implementing intelligent character engine and platform (~2021) and AI creation platform (2020→)</td>
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<td>- Supporting art creation, performances, and exhibitions using AI (~2021)</td>
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<td>- Establishing AI-based underground water pollution monitoring and prediction system (2019→2022)</td>
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<td>- Constructing and operating ICT-based correctional facilities for efficient management (2019→2028)</td>
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<td><strong>National Defense</strong></td>
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<td>- Accelerating the development of intelligent that supports command systems by building an intelligent data center for defense (2020→)</td>
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Building the Best-performing Digital Government

Transform ourselves into a digital government that supports people in need, works hard, and better serves citizens

Current Situation and Issues

As the maintenance costs of e-government systems (16,282 in 2017) have been continuously increasing (40.5% of ICT budget in 2017), it is not easy to secure financial resources for new investment.

As a result, the system is aging due to the delayed application of advanced digital technologies such as AI, resulting in not only the decline in e-government performance, but also slowdown of innovating the way the government works and the way public services are delivered*.

* Rank in government’s responding ability, WEF Global Competitiveness Report: 36th

Action Strategy

Through diagnosis and improvement of major e-government systems, the Korean government is evolving into AI-based digital government and is also innovating how the government works using cutting edge technology. Most of all, the public sector lead the adoption and utilization of AI as the centerpiece to stimulate the early AI market, thereby accelerating the transition to customized and intelligent public services.
Key Tasks

### Realization of Next-generation Intelligent Government

- Improving the system which meets the direction of digital innovation by diagnosing major e-government systems (2020) and based on this, establishing a mid- to long-term digital transformation roadmap (2020)

- Upgrading the work environment to innovate the government’s way of working
  - Expanding public participation by integrating call centers in the public sector (~2022) and operating a platform for citizen-led problem-solving (tentatively named ‘Challenge!, Korea’ platform).
  - Promoting cloud services in the public sector to support field-oriented collaboration (~2022) and building a smart/mobile-oriented work environment (e.g., 2 PCs → 1 laptop)

### Innovation of Public Services

- Identifying people in need first without blind spots and providing customized services in a preemptive manner through construction of database for various service sectors and the use of AI
  - Preemptively providing services customized to vulnerable sectors of society through the next-generation social security system (~2021) and expanding one-stop packages based on each life cycle (two packages for childbirth and succession in 2019 → more than 10 packages in 2022)

- Innovating public services in earnest by introducing AI in areas where the public can feel the benefits such as provision of customized cultural welfare and patent information (2020~)

Tasks related to Introduction / Utilization of Public Services (Example)

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<td>• Recommending place to use individual-specific culture voucher, predicting and informing non-use of voucher</td>
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<td>High-quality patent information</td>
<td>• Immediate translation and provision of patent information in foreign language, and prompt check of existing patent information</td>
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<td>Response to environmental pollution</td>
<td>• Developing short- and mid-term fine dust forecasting technology, and monitoring and predicting underground water pollution</td>
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<td>Better efficiency in correction</td>
<td>• Establishing ICT-based smart prison for efficient management</td>
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<td>People’s safety</td>
<td>• Predicting and responding to crime through analysis of criminal information</td>
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<td>Strengthened welfare for the elderly</td>
<td>• Caring and nursing the elderly and dementia patients and supporting physical activities</td>
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<td>Securing SoC Safety</td>
<td>• Managing safety of facilities such as underground, water and sewage and railway through AI·5G convergence</td>
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- Developing a digital service contract system and operating a specialized distribution platform for efficient operation (2020~)
Follow-up Measures for ‘Presidential Initiative for AI’

- 「Plan for Digital Government Innovation」 -

“We will transform ourselves into an AI-based digital government, going beyond the world’s best e-Government. We will provide high-quality services, starting with those areas that can directly impact the people’s lives such as the environment, disasters, safety and national defense, so that the public can sense the changes”

(Presidential Initiative, Oct. 28, 2019)

☐ Comprehensive plan to transform into innovative and people-centered digital government going beyond the existing e-government paradigm as the digital era has come.

גי Established by the Ministry of the Interior and Safety with the participation of relevant ministries including Ministry of Science and ICT (Oct. 29, 2019, Cabinet council)

Main Contents

① Innovation of people-centered Public Services
   - Preemptive provision of services suitable for each citizen without blind spots.
   - Promoting the use of self-information for civil affairs and issuance/utilization of various certificates, bills, and ID cards electronically

② Innovation of Government’s Way of Working
   - Upgrading the civil service counter and policy participation channel to expand the civil participation, and improving accessibility to government for digitally underprivileged people
   - Creating a productive smart work environment for realizing collaborative administration and site-based administration

③ Expansion of Digital Technology Introduction and Establishment of Open Data Ecosystem
   - Expanding the private sector’s cloud use and introducing a digital service contract system
   - Building a foundation to connect and utilize government data, and opening valuable public data and services to the people by Open API
### 3-1 Establishing an Inclusive Job Safety Network

Create a society where all of the people enjoy the benefits of AI even in the face of rapidly changing technology and social change.

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<td>Points</td>
<td>5.9 (ranked 31st)</td>
<td>6.5 (within top 20)</td>
<td>7 (within top 5)</td>
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(© OECD Better Life Index)

### Current Situation and Issues

The use of AI across industries leads to job losses centered on simple repetitive tasks, while creating new jobs needed to use and apply AI-related technologies. And while AI improves the convenience in our lives, there are also concerns that the underprivileged groups and those who do not possess the basic skills of AI and AI literacy may not benefit from AI.

#### Analysis of Job Automation

- 47% of 702 detailed occupations can be automated in the U.S. (Frey & Osborne, 2013)
- 27% of total labor hours in Korea can be automated by 2030 (McKinsey, 2018)
- Among OECD countries, Jobs which are automated more than 70% amount to 14% on average (OECD, 2019)

#### Ratio of New Technologies provided during Job Training (Ministry of Labor, 2019)

![New Technology sector (4%)]

### Action Strategy

The government is firmly determined to strengthen job-safety networks such as support for maintaining livelihoods and employment to alleviate social shocks caused by sudden changes in the labor market and support the groups vulnerable to job changes, and reorganize the job training system focused on AI in order to improve AI utilization capabilities of the workforce and to expand the job mobility.
Key Tasks

- Securing Job-Safety Network

Preemptively reinforcing the employment safety network in response to the diversification of employment patterns caused by AI (increase in the number of workers in special types of employment, etc.)

- Expanding the application of social insurance* to protect various types of workers, including workers in special types of employment and artists, and changing the insurance subject from ‘workers’ to ‘the insured’ from a mid- to long-term perspective
  * Applying industrial accident compensation insurance for special types of employment, and employment insurance for special types of employment and artist
- Strengthening insurance coverage by expanding the level of payment of unemployment benefits and the period of payment (2019–)

- Introducing the ‘National Employment System’ to remove blind spots in the employment safety network (2020)
  - Providing employment supporting service to the employment vulnerable class including job seekers in low income families and people who closed the businesses, and strengthening income support under the premise of job search activities

Overview of The National Employment System

(Subjects of Support) Low-income job seeker who makes less than 50% of median income (120% for young people aged between 18 and 34) (Type I) / Job seeker who makes less than 100% of median income and workers in special types of employment such as marriage immigrants and North Korean defectors (Type II)

(Contents of Support) ① Employment support services such as vocational training, work experience programs, and connecting welfare services are provided. ② The low-income families are paid a job-seeking allowance (500,000 won per month × 6 months) during the job-seeking period.

(Scale of Support) Scale of support will be gradually expanded to 600,000 people by 2022.

- Upgrading AI and job big data-based National Job Information Platform and establishing a job matching system (2020)
  * AI can analyze job status in real time and provide customized employment services by matching employer’s requirement and job seeker’s capability based on big data on jobs
Ensuring the ‘lifelong employment’ with increasing ‘employment possibilities’ of job seekers and adaptability of employees through vocational training in new technology sectors

- Significantly increasing the proportion of new technologies vocational training (AI, fintech, etc.) for job search and transfer (4% (provisional) in 2019 to 15% in 2022)
  * The portion of high-tech courses in Polytechs will be increased from 11% in 2019 to 25% in 2022 by establishing and reorganizing the department and hi-tech course will be increased (775 people in 2019 → 1,500 people in 2022)

- Improving competency of teachers and lecturers who provide vocational training in the advanced new industry sectors
  * Providing training courses for teachers and instructors (3,600 people per year) to support the development of competency in new industries such as AI, and providing vocational competency development training courses for smart factories using the K-Factory of Korea TECH.

- Developing future promising NCS (National Competency Standards) and spreading it to the training courses of private training institutes and vocational high schools
  * Collecting and announcing opinions concerning NCS, including planning and installing Intelligent Transport System (ITS), installing smart factory system, and establishing cloud platform

Providing all the people with an opportunity to develop lifelong job ability without blind spots

- Providing ‘National Tomorrow Learning Card’ to all citizens (2020) and expanding the subject of vocational training focused on the unemployed and workers of SMEs
  * Selecting courses and delivering training programs that can improve the basic understanding of AI among the occupations eligible for the ‘National Tomorrow Learning Card’

### Main Changes In National Tomorrow Learning Card

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<td>Eligibility</td>
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<td>People who want to take vocational training (Excluding public officials, subject to pension fund for teachers at private schools, and students, etc.)</td>
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<td>Validity</td>
<td>1 year for the unemployed, 3 years for employee</td>
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- Expanding practical educational platforms* for better accessibility to vocational training and providing various contents through a smart training platform (opened in Oct. 2019).
  * Innovation Square: One place in 2019 (Seoul) → Four places in 2020 (for each regional base)
3-2 Preventing Dysfunction and Establishing AI Ethics

Establish an AI code of ethics and create the safest AI-use environment in preparation for dysfunction and security threats that may occur due to spread of AI.

Current Situation and Issues

The use of AI technology and the proliferation of AI-based products and services have increased security threats, and caused the emergence of new forms of dysfunctions such as ‘Deep Fakes’. As a result, countries around the world are beginning to develop norms to address AI ethics issues such as safety, legal responsibility and human nature.

Action Strategy

The government focuses on advancing cyber threat response systems based on intelligent technologies such as AI, and developing technology for countermeasures along with government-wide collaboration system. In addition, for the realization of people-centered AI and human-like AI we establish a global level of AI code of ethics based on social debate and consensus.
### Key Tasks

#### Innovation of Intelligent Information Protection

- Establishing a cyber infringement detection, analysis, and response system based on intelligent technology that applies AI technology to overall detection and responses to threats (report receipt → classification → verification → actions) (2020–)

- Developing AI-based information protection technology that automatically analyzes vulnerabilities of various devices and networks and verifies password safety (2020–)
  * Developing intelligent video security technology (2020–2023), anonymous-based network threat verification and demonstration technology (2020–2023), etc.

- Building an ‘Information Protection AI Learning Support Center’ for comprehensive verification and consulting services for information protection AI machines in the private sectors (2020–)

#### Prevention of AI Dysfunction

- Conducting R&D in order to develop new services and prevent dysfunctions resulting from AI development simultaneously, and establishing an inter-ministerial cooperative system (2020)
  * (Example) Deepfake is a compound word of deep learning and fake, and image synthesis technology based on AI
    - There are concerns about side effects such as defamation, identity theft, and financial fraud in areas where new markets and services are expected to be created (such as medical video and camera apps) through video synthesis technology.
    - Planning to develop technologies of identifying and detecting Deepfake and revise relevant laws and regulations while pursuing cooperation in criminal investigation

- Establishing a quality management system that verifies reliability and safety in response to the proliferation of AI products and services (2020–)
Leading the global discussions on AI ethics (2020~) including the efforts to prepare the follow-up measures of the OECD AI Recommendation (May 2019)

### Main Contents of OECD AI Recommendation

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| General principles for reliable AI | ① Inclusive growth and sustainable development  
② Human-centered values and fairness  
③ Transparency and explainability  
④ Robustness, security and safety  
⑤ Accountability |
| National policies for trustworthy AI | ① Investing in AI R&D  
② Fostering a digital ecosystem  
③ Promoting a policy environment  
④ Building human capacity and preparing for labor market transformation  
⑤ International co-operation |

Establishing AI ethical standards* that are consistent with global norms by identifying and analyzing the AI Code of Ethics and discussion trends in international organizations and major countries, and setting up action plans (2020)

### AI Code of Ethics and Discussion Trends in Major countries

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<td>China</td>
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<td>Japan</td>
<td>Human-centered AI society principle (March 2019, Integrated Innovation Strategy Meeting)</td>
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<td>EU</td>
<td>Reliable AI Ethics Guideline (Dec. 2018, AI High-level Expert Group)</td>
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* Establishing a mid- to long-term policy making support system to protect the users in the future (operating the Policy Center within the Korea Information Society Development Institute(KISDI)*, 2019~) and developing and distributing AI ethics education curriculum** for students, developers, and users (general citizens) (2021~).

* Operating a public-private council involving companies, experts, and users (2020~)

** (Student and user) AI and bioethics, personal information protection and understanding on media algorithm, etc.  
(Developer) Designing ethical AI architecture, and information security, etc.
Governance

The 4th Industrial Revolution Committee will be re-established as an AI-oriented pan-government committee.

The committee will ➊ establish an inter-ministerial collaborative system, and ➋ support the establishment of follow-up plans for national strategies, and conduct periodic inspections and evaluations. It will also ➌ comprehensively check and manage the resources for implementing the action plans and ➍ play a leading role in social discussions such as holding an industry-specific regulation heckathon.

Moreover, strategic meeting presided by the president will be held and each ministry, such as the Ministry of Science and ICT and the Ministry of Economy and Finance, will present its strategy and review its performance. At the same time, participation of citizens is strongly encouraged and the result of performance will be publicly released.

Action Plans

Nine strategies and 100 tasks in the three areas of AI ecosystem, AI utilization, and people-centered AI, which are the main pillars of the [Presidential Initiative for Artificial Intelligence] and [National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence], will be reflected in each ministry’s annual plan in 2020 for implementation.

In addition, each ministry and the relevant ministries involved will develop and implement detailed action plans* for each sector.

* Following the announcement of the framework on October 28, the [Digital Government Innovation Plan (October 29)] and the [Plan to foster talents of advanced sectors in the future society (November11)] were announced.

In particular, the ministries in charge will prepare detailed action plans related to the nationwide AI education of entire people and human resource development, promotion of AI industry such as R&D, and the spread of the utilization of the AI in overall industries and present sequentially through strategic meetings presided over by the president.
### List of Detailed Tasks (9 strategies and 100 tasks in three areas)

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<td>• Supporting for expansion of data resources of ODA-linked new southern and northern countries</td>
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<td>• Strengthening linkage between public and private sector data map</td>
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<td>• Establishing data platforms in public sectors (government-wide)</td>
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<td>• Supporting AI vouchers and data vouchers</td>
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<td>• Expanding ‘MyData Demonstration Project’ (administration, medical, finance)</td>
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<td>• Improving SW system and mainstreaming SW-friendly education and culture</td>
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<td>1-3 Drastic Regulatory Innovation and Revision of Laws</td>
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<td>• Establishing framework legislation and reorganizing the legal system of each sector</td>
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<td>• Identifying and nurturing AI startups (Open Square-D, etc.)</td>
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<p>| 2 The Country that Makes Best Use of AI | |
| 2-1 Nurturing World-Best AI Talent and Educating People | • Allowing the creation and expansion of cutting-edge technology departments such as AI and allowing AI-related teachers to hold positions in private sector | Ministry of Education - Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Fostering AI/SW master's and doctoral degrees (following BK21, university-centered research institutes) | Ministry of Education - Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Expanding and diversifying AI graduate programs | Ministry of Science and ICT - Ministry of Education |
| | • Operating Innovation Academy to nurture AI professionals, LINC+ (socially customized department), and Industrial AI Professionals Training Projects | Ministry of Science and ICT - Ministry of Education - Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Energy |
| | • Easing the regulations related to promote the creation and operation of interdisciplinary majors | Ministry of Education - Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Reinforcing basic education for SW and AI (Teach the Teachers, etc.) | Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Fostering middle-sized technical talents in SW and AI sectors (college innovation support project) | Ministry of Education |
| | • Expanding the national college course dedicated for SW and AI for high school graduates | Ministry of Education |
| | • Spreading AI education for all military personnel | Ministry of Defense / Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Conducting full-scale AI training for public officers | Ministry of Personnel Management / Ministry of Science and ICT |
| | • Providing AI training for employees at SMEs and startups | Ministry of SMEs and Startups |
| | • Establishing AI majors and courses within the academic credit bank system | Ministry of Education |
| | • Developing online AI education contents (K-MOOC, cyber university) | Ministry of Education |</p>
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<td>• Organizing SW and AI curriculum focusing on play and experience of lower grades of elementary school</td>
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<td>• Expanding the mandatory SW and AI education for higher grades of elementary school and middle schools</td>
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<td>• Continuously expanding high schools focused on SW and AI curriculum (high schools for AI convergence education, SW curriculum-focused schools, AI high schools, and three public technical high schools)</td>
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<td>• Supporting teachers to complete SW and AI courses from the training and recruitment stages</td>
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<td>• Establishing wireless network at elementary, middle and high schools</td>
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<td>• Reinforcing work experience for SW and AI (work experience bus)</td>
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<td>• Supporting local education infrastructures such as Future SW Center and Institute of Information Security Education for the Gifted, etc.</td>
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<td>• Building and spreading industrial data platforms</td>
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<td>• Implementing the Industrial AI project including development of industry-specific standard AI modules</td>
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<td>• Developing AI convergence products for shipbuilding, robot, home appliance, and material parts</td>
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<td>• Providing opportunities to develop lifelong job capabilities using National Tomorrow Learning Card</td>
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The Ministry of Science and ICT (MSIT) has been continuously collecting various opinions from experts in the private sector (about 150 people over 13 occasions) since June 2019, and has sought to adopt national strategies for AI by exploring policy tasks with diverse relevant ministries.

At first, MSIT held not only industry-wise professional meetings with AI and SW-related academia, large and small companies, and startups, but also held a number of university-industry-research meetings in AI industries including technology, laws and systems, education, human talents, vision and strategies. (From June to November).

In the industrial sector, electronics and automobile manufacturers (Samsung Electronics, LG Electronics and Hyundai Motor), telecommunications companies (SKT and KT), Internet service providers (Naver and Kakao), game companies (NCSoft), semiconductor developers (Telechips), AI and data companies (Saltlux, Runit, Mines Lab, etc.), and other companies in diverse fields — participated in the meetings joined by ICT professional bodies such as the Institute of Information& Communications Technology Planning&Evaluation (IITP), the National IT Industry Promotion Agency (NIPA), the National Information Society Agency (NIA), and the Software Policy & Research Institute (SPRI), and the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI).

In addition, from September, headed by the office of the Advisor to the president for Science and Technology, three relevant ministries started to have discussions in three areas: education innovation, responses to jobs and social changes, and strengthening of AI competitiveness. MSIT and 19 relevant ministries* have implemented close pan-government cooperation by exploring policies and collecting opinions.

* Ministry of Strategy and Finance; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of National Defense; Ministry of Interior and Safety; Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism; Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs; Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Energy; Ministry of Health and Welfare; Ministry of Environment and Labor; Ministry of Employment and Labor; Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport; Ministry of Maritime Affairs; Ministry of SMEs and Startups; Korea Communications Commission; Korea Fair Trade Commission; Ministry of Personnel Management; Ministry of Food and Drug Safety; and Patent Office, etc.

In October 2019, President Moon Jae-in attended the nation’s largest event for artificial intelligence developers and announced plans to establish a national strategy within the year, presenting the "Presidential Initiative for Artificial Intelligence."

MSIT and other relevant ministries gathered their wisdom aiming at shaping a vision and future for the country and realizing the Korean President’s resolve on promoting AI. In this process, Artificial Intelligence Policy Bureau (Director General-level organization) was established to lead Korea’s artificial intelligence policy within the Ministry of Science and ICT.

"National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence, created through this process has been finalized after the 27th Economic Vitality Action Meeting (Dec.11) and the 53rd cabinet meeting (Dec.17).
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