

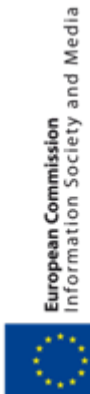


Strengthening Korea-EU cooperation - the new ERA-NET initiative KORANET

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Objective of the ERA-NET scheme

- **To step up the cooperation and coordination of research activities carried out at national or regional level in the MS and AC (including Third Countries in the case of horizontal ERA-NETs) through**
 - ✓ the **networking of research activities** conducted at national or regional level,
 - ✓ the **mutual opening of national and regional research programmes.**
 - **To contribute to making a reality of the European Research Area.**
 - **To enable national systems to take on tasks collectively that they would not have been able to tackle independently.**
- The ERA-NET scheme has **a long-term, multi-annual perspective.**

KORANET

KOReAn scientific cooperation **NET**work with the European Research Area (ERA)

- **An initiative to intensify and strengthen the regional S&T cooperation between Korea and the ERA**
- **Supported by the European Commission** under its 7th Research Framework Programme (project contract due to be signed soon)
- **Budget: 2,4 Mio. Euro**
- **Duration of 4 years** (January 2009 – December 2012)
- The **Kick-off Meeting** is to take place on 16 and 17 February in Bonn/Germany
- The KORANET consortium consists of 11 partners from 10 countries, the steering committee of 5 partner from 5 countries. The 5 observers come from 4 different countries.



KORANET partners



Consortium	
The International Bureau of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (DLR) – project coordinator	Germany
Center for Social Innovation (ZSI)	Austria
VDI-VDE Innovation und Technik GmbH	Germany
Korea Foundation for International Cooperation in Science and Technology (KICOS)	Korea
British Council	United Kingdom
Technical Research Center of Finland (VTT)	Finland
Veneto Innovazione S.p.A. (VenInn)	Italy
Centre National de Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)	France
Polish Academy of Science (PAN)	Poland
Hungarian Korean Technical Cooperation Center (HKTCC)	Hungary
The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)	Turkey



Steering Committee	
German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)	Germany
Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MEST)	Korea
Federal Ministry for Science and Research (BMWF)	Austria
National Office for Research and Technology (NKTH)	Hungary
Ministère d`Affaires Etrangères (MAEE)	France

Observers	
DEMOS	United Kingdom
British Academy	United Kingdom
Research Council of Norway	Norway
OSEO, Direction des Partenariats Européens et Internationaux	France
Swedish Governmental Agency for Innovation Systems (VINNOVA)	Sweden
Several networks of competence interested in the cooperation with Korean clusters and Korean clusters interested in the cooperation with European networks	

Objectives of KORANET

- To **improve the information exchange** between Korean and European research communities to better understand one another's S&T landscapes and policies
- To **exchange best practices** as regards the planning and implementation of S&T policies
- To **coordinate bilateral approaches** of EU MS/AC and Korea
- To **specify areas of cooperation** in priority research fields
- To **establish an appropriate instrumental framework for strategic cooperation**
- To **learn from ongoing (thematic) ERA-NETs (good practice)**
- To **develop a one-stop-agency for Korean S&T interests**
- To **develop and implement a full concept for a joint funding scheme in a thematic area still to be defined**
- To **increase Korean participation in the EU Research Framework Programme**



KORANET – work packages

- KORANET is divided into five work packages (four thematic, one management):
 - ✓ **WP 1: Analysis, Monitoring, Review** (WP leader: KICOS together with BC)
 - ✓ **WP 2: Strategy and Foresight** (WP leader: ZSI)
 - ✓ **WP 3: Joint funding** (WP leader: CNRS)
 - ✓ **WP 4: Joint activities** (WP leader: VTT)
 - ✓ **WP 5: Organisation and Management** (WP leader: DLR)

- A **‘parallel-work package-approach’** is adopted to exploit the synergies of the different work packages and to increase the commitment of all partners



KORANET – work packages 1 - 2

▪ **WP 1: Analysis, Monitoring, Review**

Mapping regional approaches: reporting on science, specific studies, analysis of instruments of cooperation

- ✓ To provide informational support for the cooperation between Korea and Europe. Ongoing cooperation activities will be identified, screened, systematised and reviewed.

▪ **WP 2: Strategy and Foresight**

Strategic discussions, setting framework objectives, identifying areas of common interest

- ✓ To lay the basis for the implementation of joint funding schemes and joint activities. The focus is on developing strategic scenarios for coordinated programmatic approaches of KORANET participants and other interested stakeholders (programme owners in EU MS/AC and Korea).

KORANET – work packages 3 - 5

▪ **WP 3: Joint funding**

Processing of a joint funding scheme

- ✓ To implement as a first test a “Pilot Joint Call” (PJC) and then a joint funding scheme among interested programme owners in a thematic area still to be defined. Funding participation is open for non-KORANET stakeholders from East Asia or the ERA.

▪ **WP 4: Joint activities**

Organisation of a continuous scientific and policy dialogue

- ✓ To organise joint measures for scientists and stakeholders from the EU and Korea (i.e. training measures, brokerage events, conferences, measures to promote young scientists) to allow partnering and networking.

▪ **WP 5: Organisation and Management**

General coordination of the project

- ✓ To ensure the general management of KORANET and effective internal communication among partners and to coordinate project activities (including quality control).

Biography

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Thank you for your attention!

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