



## LATEST UPDATES



### Human Resources Vice President Diariétou Gaye attends the 14th: International Financial Institutions (IFI) Career Fair

Diariétou Gaye visited Korea on November 17-18 and delivered a congratulatory remark at the 14th IFI Career Fair hosted by the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MOEF). She encouraged young Koreans, particularly women in the fields of climate, energy, agriculture, and economy, to actively engage with the international financial institutions. Read her [interview with Korea Herald](#).



### Infrastructure Vice President Riccardo Puliti attends the 8th Global ICT Leadership Forum

Along with opening the Leadership Forum on November 2, Riccardo Puliti discussed expanding collaboration to accelerate LMIC's digital transformation and data sharing for a green, resilient, and inclusive digital development with MOEF and Ministry of Science Infrastructure and Technology (MSIT). He also engaged with key ICT agencies on deepening their partnership with the Bank through knowledge exchange.



## ITS T&I Lab Director Yusuf Karacaoglu visits Financial Security Institute in Korea

Information and Technology Solutions (ITS) Technology and Innovation (T&I) Lab Director Yusuf Karacaoglu and Manager Stela Mocan visited Korea on November 10. They had a meeting with the head of Financial Security Institute (FSI) to discuss future collaborations on financial data security and cybersecurity.



## Korea-World Bank Group Smart City Conference

The Korea-World Bank Group Smart City Conference was held on September 2 at the World Smart City Expo Korea 2022. A wide range of smart city initiatives was introduced by the World Bank Group and the Korean government to identify common areas of interest and opportunities for deeper collaboration. Watch the recordings of the conference here: [Part 1](#) | [Part 2](#) | [Part 3](#) | [Part 4](#)



## Launching Event of the Korea Case Study on COVID-19 Preparedness Response

The WBG Korea office and MOEF hosted a side event during the 2022 Global Health Security Agenda Ministerial Meeting on November 28. Juan Pablo Uribe, Global Director for Health, Nutrition & Population officially launched the Korea's country case study on COVID-19 preparedness and response at the event. [Learn more](#)



## WBG Korea office at the 7th International Marine Debris Conference 2022

The WBG Korea office participated in a premier global event dedicated to understand and promote actions to address marine debris. The Korea office hosted a luncheon with the Ministry of Ocean and Fisheries for further collaboration, meanwhile a [technical session](#) was held on plastics circularity in the ASEAN region: exploring investment to scale innovation. [Learn More](#)



### WBG Korea office at the Korea International Water Week (KIWW) 2022

Jason Allford, Special Representative of the WBG Korea office, attended the KIWW opening ceremony and the Water Leaders' Roundtables session as a panel on November 23. He emphasized achieving a water-secure world requires bold policy actions and investments at all levels.



### WBG Korea office at Korea Fintech Week 2022

The WBG Korea office FCI Seoul Center supported the annual "[Korea Fintech Week 2022](#)" hosted by Fintech Center Korea and Financial Services Commission on September 28-30. Jean Pesme, Global Director of FCI participated and affirmed the alignment of WB's agenda in this space.



### Bangko Sentral Ng Pilipinas (BSP) Study Visit to Korea on Open Finance

The Seoul Center organized a study visit to Korea for the Bangko Sentral Ng Pilipinas of the Philippines on August 22-25. The objective was to share the experience of Korea to deepen BSP's understanding of Open Finance implementation and market adoption. There was a follow-up discussion to share the lessons learned between the WB teams and BSP delegations on October 28.



### World Bank Energy Forum at the Bitgaram International Expo of Electric Power Technology (BIXPO) 2022

The WBG Korea office hosted the World Bank Energy Forum at BIXPO 2022 on November 4 in Gwangju, Korea. Clients from Pacific Island Countries and energy sector officials from developing countries joined the forum. [Learn More](#)



### KoDi's Knowledge Exchange Program on Strengthening Cybersecurity and Resilience of Critical Infrastructure

### Closing Workshop on Pacific Island Countries E-mobility and Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) 2022

The WBG Korea office's [Korea Digital Development program](#) (KoDi), in collaboration with the [Open Learning Campus](#) (OLC), held its first knowledge exchange program on November 8-11. Participants from multiple regions conducted peer-to-peer learning sessions and visited innovative sites in Korea. The Bank teams also collaborated with Korea Internet & Security Agency (KISA) and the Global Knowledge Exchange and Development Center (GKEDC) on cybersecurity for critical infrastructure at this event.



### **WBG Korea office at Smart GEO Expo Korea 2022**

The WBG Korea office participated in the Smart GEO Expo Korea 2022 co-hosted by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport of Korea and Korea Land and Housing Corporation on November 2-4, 2022. The team presented the World Bank's approach to climate-smart cities at the workshop session on Climate-Smart Cities and the land and property valuation in ASEAN regions, focusing on the key challenges and opportunities.

The WBG Korea office, in partnership with the Jeju Research Institute, organized a closing workshop on Pacific Island Countries e-mobility and BESS in Jeju island on November 7-9. This event was funded by WB Korea Green Growth Trust Fund and is in line with the Bank's Regional Sustainable Energy Industry Development Project. Participants from 12 PICs utilities visited the onshore and offshore wind piloting sites, solar photovoltaic, BESS, green hydrogen, and electric buses in Jeju.



### **Smart City Leadership Knowledge Exchange**

Participants from Cambodia, the Philippines and Egypt joined the Smart City Leadership Knowledge Exchange in Korea jointly organized by the World Bank and the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport of Korea and the Global Smart City Partnership Program from August 30 to September 2.



### World Bank Group Korea office receives Korean Presidential Citation at the 2022 Development Cooperation Day

The WBG Korea office was awarded the Korean Presidential Citation on November 25 for excellence in international development cooperation in Korea during the 2022 Development Cooperation Day.



### Capacity Building Workshop on Innovation and SME Policy Support for Malaysia

WBG Korea office's Anwar Aridi, senior private sector specialist, and Joo Seub Lee, senior economist participated in a capacity building workshop on November 8-10 in Malaysia. The aim of the workshop was to share the Korea's lessons and to discuss policy priorities for innovation policy support for Malaysia.

## PUBLICATIONS AND BLOGS

Smart Cities in the Republic of Korea : A Journey Toward Institutionalization and Innovation (September) [Learn More](#)

Korea Case Study on COVID-19 Preparedness and Response (November) [Learn More](#)

## KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING

### Webinars

Korea-WBG Partnership on COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Webinar Series 3 : Learning from Fiji's experience (November) [Learn More](#)

Innovation Policy in the Post-Covid World Webinar Series [Webinar #7] Circuits shortened or supercharged? Emerging dynamics in the semiconductor industry and implications for developing economies (September) [Learn More](#)

Innovation Policy in the Post-Covid World Webinar Series [Webinar #8] Adjusting public R&D funding in times of crisis: Priorities (re)defined (November) [Learn More](#)

## Open Learning Campus Course

e-Learning Course for Digital Skills for ICT Entrepreneurs in FCV Countries [Learn More](#)

Water Pollution and Management Approaches [Learn More](#)



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