

GIST successfully holds 'Sponsorship Night' to commemorate 30th anniversary of establishment

- Approximately 200 GIST sponsors attended... decided to join forces for greater growth 30 years later
- Moving video messages from GIST students who benefited from donations of facilities and scholarships



▲ GIST, together with the GIST Development Foundation, successfully held a 'Sponsorship Night' event commemorating the 30th anniversary of the establishment of GIST in the lobby of the first floor of Oryong Hall on the afternoon of the 8th (Friday), and attendees took a commemorative photo.

The Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST, President Kichul Lim), together with the GIST Development Foundation (Chairman Hae-myeong Kim), announced it had successfully hosted the commemorative 'Sponsorship Night' event, which celebrated the 30th anniversary of the establishment of GIST in the lobby on the first floor of Oryong Hall for about 2 hours and 30 minutes from 5 p.m. on the 8th (Friday).

At the GIST Sponsorship Night, which was held in person for the first time in about four years due to the coronavirus pandemic, about 200 sponsors gathered for a time of fellowship and unity, reflecting on GIST's "30 years of growth" and vowing to work together to help GIST achieve even greater growth in "30 years from now".

In his congratulatory message, Joo-sun Park, former vice chairman of the National Assembly (now chairman of the Korea Association of Petroleum Engineers), who was appointed as the new chairman of the GIST Development Foundation, said, "The Development Foundation will support GIST to take a bigger leap forward, as it has grown remarkably over the past 30 years."

Eco World Farm Co., Ltd. Chairman Seok-jung Oh, Woosung Precision Co., Ltd. Chairman Hwa-seok Park, Hanyoung PNS Co., Ltd. Chairman Yun-seop Kim, Korea Three Axis Co., Ltd. Chairman Gu-hyun Yoo, GIST President Kichul Lim (KRW 100 million) and Vice President for Academic Affairs Sang-Don Kim (KRW 86.6 million) and others donated KRW 430 million to the development fund, adding to the excitement of the event.

President Kichul Lim said, "I sincerely thank our sponsors who have contributed greatly to GIST's '30 years of growth' for their warm love and strong support. GIST will create better social and economic values and further contribute to overcoming the crisis facing the country and humanity."



▲ GIST President Kichul Lim is giving a welcoming speech at the 'Sponsorship Night' event commemorating the 30th anniversary of GIST's establishment held at Oryong Hall on Friday the 8th.

GIST Development Foundation Chairman Hae-myeong Kim said, "The GIST Development Foundation will also actively cooperate so that GIST can lead the future science of the region and the country and contribute to revitalizing the economy."

Meanwhile, in the promotional video for the development fund that was screened that day, GIST students who were able to focus on their studies with the help of sponsors' donations of facilities and scholarships delivered a video message expressing their gratitude, leaving a great impression.