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## **GIST launches an open council for research innovation**

- GIST (Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, President Kiseon Kim) and a group of major research innovators in Gwangju and South Jeolla Province have joined forces to establish a sustainable open cooperation system for strategic responses, including government policy research and planning medium and large-sized projects.
  - This council will cover the latest policy issues as well as science and technology to enhance the realism and feasibility of medium and large-sized business planning by sharing and researching industrial technology issues. According to its mission, the intent is to combine core competencies of each innovative institution through an open consortium-type two-track operation method.
  - As a think tank in Gwangju and Jeollanam-do, GIST will play a pivotal role in contributing to the development of local industries.
- The kick-off meeting for the Council of Research and Innovation Organizations was held at 2 p.m. on October 27 at GIST and was attended by the heads of 22 major innovation institution in Gwangju and South Jeolla Province, including GIST President Kiseon Kim, Vice President for R&D In S. Kim, Vice President for Public Affairs Young-jip Kim, and the heads and research directors of Gwangju Techno Park and Jeonnam Techno Park.

- In order to contribute to the development of local industries in the future, the Council of Research and Innovation Organizations will expand into a platform that can conduct technology-linked and cooperative research with various companies, including those in the region, by creating a city-wide effect on the development of local industries through customized business plans tailored to the needs of companies and markets.

□ GIST Vice President for R&D In S. Kim said, "The purpose of operation of the Council of Research and Innovation Institutions is to realize the vision of GIST, which is that of an exemplary scientific and technological institution that leads regional innovation and carries out inclusive research and development with the community. We will continue to improve core capabilities of each institution through the continuous operation of the council, and we will have role in contributing to the shared growth of research and innovation institutions and the community by creating synergy in dynamic cases."



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