## The Ministry of Science and ICT will host a briefing session on the 2026 government R&D budget for the Honam region at GIST

- On Wednesday, September 24th at 2:00 PM, at GIST Oryong Hall... The Director of the Research and Development Investment Review Bureau of the Ministry of Science and ICT will attend, and the Director of the Research Budget Management Division will personally explain the allocation and adjustment plan and gather opinions from the field through Q&A



▲ Panoramic view of GIST Oryong Hall, where the 2026 government R&D budget briefing for the Honam region is being held.

The Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST, President Kichul Lim) announced that the "2026 Government Research and Development (R&D) Budget Briefing Session" will be held on Wednesday, September 24th at 2:00 PM on the third floor of Oryong Hall.

Hosted by the Ministry of Science and ICT, this briefing session was designed to directly inform researchers and experts from industry, academia, and research institutes about the major allocations and adjustments of the 2026 government R&D budget and to solicit their opinions.

Next year's government R&D budget has been allocated at a record-breaking 35.3 trillion won. This budget plan contains two key themes: • Technology-led growth: Boosting productivity and strengthening industrial and export competitiveness through advanced science and technology; and • Growth for all: Establishing a foundation for sustainable growth by expanding investment in basic science and restoring the research ecosystem.

The Honam region briefing session, held at GIST, will be attended by the Director of the R&D Investment Review Bureau of the Ministry of Science and ICT, and the Director of the Research Budget Management Division will personally explain the allocation and adjustment plan. Following this, a Q&A session will be held with attendees to gather feedback from the field.

Meanwhile, this briefing session will be held sequentially in four regions nationwide: • Yeongnam region (Busan, September 22), • Honam region (Gwangju, September 24), • Seoul metropolitan area (Seoul, September 26), and • Chungcheong region (Daejeon, September 30).

Those wishing to attend the briefing session can pre-register through a pop-up window on the GIST website (www.gist.ac.kr). On-site registration is also available.

