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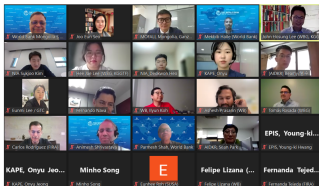
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FEATURE STORY



[KGID Partnership Week 2021](#), virtually hosted by **KGDTF** on September 27-29 (EDT) | September 28-30, 2021 (KST), came to a successful end with more than 320 experts around the world actively engaged in dialogue and cooperation for post-COVID green growth and Green, Resilient, and Inclusive Development (GRID).

This flagship knowledge sharing event organized **22 Breakout Sessions**. 12 Grant Sessions highlighted 15 newly approved KGDTF grant projects and explored collaborations with knowledge partners in Korea (K-Partners) and around the world. In addition, 6 K-Partner Sessions and 4 WBG Korea Office Sessions facilitated active discussion, knowledge sharing and new partnerships between the World Bank and Korean partners. See the [Summary of KGID Partnership Week 2021](#).



Grant Sessions

Year 9 Grant approved teams introduced their projects and explore innovative ideas and practices on greening post COVID-19 recovery. The sessions covered diverse sectors such as smart farming, energy transition, inclusive sanitation, green digital development and resilient urban development. Learn more about [12 Grant Sessions](#).

K-Partner Sessions

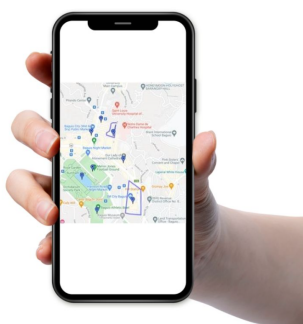
K-Partners shared green growth solutions and ODA programs with World Bank teams and discussed ways to build collaborative work programs. The sessions built on the KGID 2021 Spring event, networking and information sharing. Learn more about [6 K-Partners](#).

WBG Korea Office Sessions

Korea Office Green Growth Innovation Teams (Energy, Environment and Blue Economy & Urban Resilience and Land) presented their new Programmatic Advisory Services and Analytics (PASA) and discussed collaboration opportunities with Bank teams and K-Partners. Learn more about [4 Korea Office Sessions and PASA activities](#).

KGDTF PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

[STORY MAP: Green Light to Green Growth - Real Time Traffic in the Philippines](#)



KGDTF supported the task team of World Bank Data Lab to work with the Cebu City Government and develop a **prototype open-source platform** for collecting, visualizing, and analyzing traffic speed data collected from taxi drivers' mobile phones. The team partnered with Grab, an on-demand taxi service that generates taxi GPS data, and open-source transport software development firms and piloted new kinds of private sector collaboration on data sharing. Explore more about [Open Transport Partnership in the Philippines](#).

Through the grant program, the team:

- Created replicable, open-source methods for using taxi GPS data to conduct travel time analytics, optimize traffic

- signal timing plans, support road safety surveys, and estimate congestion impacts on GHG emissions.
- Designed a new kind of public-private data sharing partnership program between companies and international development organizations for public good.



"The Open Transport Partnership was the first initiative of its kind at the World Bank, and we are very grateful to the KGGTF for trusting us to make it happen. The program changed the way we think about data partnerships for public good, leading to the creation of the Development Data Partnership (datapartnership.org), which supports collaborations not with just one, but more than 20 firms."

Holly Krambeck, Task Team Leader of this project and Program Manager, World Bank Data Lab

NEWS



The twenty-sixth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 26) to the UNFCCC will be held in Glasgow, UK.

COP 26 will be hosted by the United Kingdom, in partnership with Italy, from October 31 to November 12. Parties will discuss how to accelerate action towards the goals of the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. More than 190 world leaders will attend, along with tens of thousands of negotiators, government representatives, businesses and citizens for twelve days of the summit. For more information, visit the website of [UNFCCC](http://unfccc.org).



South Korea set a tougher NDC target for emission reduction before COP 26.

South Korea officially announced its commitment to reducing national carbon emissions by 40% of 2018 levels by 2030 ahead of the upcoming U.N. COP26 climate summit in Glasgow. This is a follow-up measure after Korea announced the [2050 Carbon Neutral Strategy](#) last December. The revised nationally determined contribution (NDC) is a "very challenging target" for South Korea compared to an initial 26.3% goal and other developed nations that have already been cutting emissions from the 1990s. Read the article in [English](#).

RECENT EVENTS



[Second Joint Webinar Series of KGGTF and Africa Drone Forum Team](#), October 20, 2021

The session explored the economic and broader societal rationale for introducing drone technologies to complement the current transport and logistics systems across several use cases. It included a presentation on the outcomes of the "The Costs and Benefits of Deploying Drones Across Use Cases in East Africa" study carried out by the World Bank's transport team based on the needs and the innovative examples in Sub-Saharan Africa — medical goods deliveries, food aid delivery, land mapping and risk assessment, agriculture, and transport and energy infrastructure inspection. The session included insights from the scaling-up of operations within Malawi and the DRC.



[Webinar Series on Geospatial Information Management: Using the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework](#), October 4 - 26, 2021

The 4-weeks webinar series on Geospatial Information Management launched in collaboration with the World Bank Open Learning Campus (OLC), KPOK, and GP URL (funded by KGGTF) successfully ended as of October 26, with over 400 registered participants. This virtual knowledge exchange program was prepared by the Urban, Resilience and Land Team, WBG Korea Office, as a series of green growth-oriented [Geospatial Information Management webinar](#).



The Energy and Extractives Team, EEX

EEX team is preparing for WB Energy Forum as part WB-KEPCO cooperation at BIXPO (Bitgaram International Expo of Electric Power Technology) 2021. It will be held in a hybrid format of offline and online in Gwangju, Korea on November 12. The theme of this year is Climate Change and Energy Transition. The participants will have a chance to learn about the details of the energy transition happening across the world and deepen the collaboration between the Bank and Korea.

A WBG delegation is led by Korea Office Special Representative Jason Allford and KGGTF program manager, Hyoung Gun Wang, will make closing remarks. The forum is to be moderated by Senior Energy Specialist, Inchl Hwang and two KGGI colleagues will provide cross-GP insights on energy transition: Senior Digital Development Specialist, Zaki Khoury on Cybersecurity Risk in Power Sector; and Senior Environmental Specialist, Junu Shrestha on Recycling of Batteries.

The Environmental Team, ENB

ENB PASA - Environment & Climate Change Innovation in East Asia - was approved to support ASEAN member states by providing climate and waste management solutions. Regarding this, ENB team has developed a dialogue of cooperation with relevant Korean institutions including MOTIE, KIAT and KEITI to enhance linkages with them and transfer Korea's technologies and innovative approaches to plastic management.

The Urban, Resilience, and Land Team, URL

New staff arrival: A new staff (senior urban specialist) officially joined the World Bank Korea office on October 1st, 2021.

Progress with the PASAs: The URL team continued to work on Smart and Green cities and Land and Property Valuation PASAs and maintained dialogue with the Global Smart Cities Partnership Program (GSCP) and key K-partners, including Korea Real Estate Board (REB). The team is in the process of identifying potential municipalities for smart and green cities' TA engagement in the EAP region.

KGGTF KNOWLEDGE LIBRARY

[KGID Partnership Week 2021](#)

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In case you missed KGID Partnership Week 2021, below links will help you explore the event.

[Plenary Session on Youtube](#)

[Keynote Speech on "IPCC Report Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Base"](#)

June-Yi Lee, Coordinating Lead Author of WGI Contribution to IPCC 6th Assessment Report and Associate Professor of Pusan National University

[Introduction of Year 9 KGGTF Grants](#): Hyoung Gun Wang, Program Manager of the Korea Green Growth Trust Fund(KGGTF), Sustainable Development Chief Economist Unit, World Bank

[Summary of KGID Partnership Week 2021](#)

[Summary of Grant Sessions](#)

[Summary of K-Partner Sessions](#)

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About KGGTF

The Korea Green Growth Trust Fund is a partnership between the World Bank Group and the Republic of Korea, established in 2011 to support client countries as they shift to green development path. Both partners share a common goal to reduce poverty and promote shared economic prosperity in an environmentally responsible and socially inclusive way.

The Trust Fund finances on-the-ground programs as well as knowledge exchange activities, and to date has approved 180 programs. Based on strong performance, as well as increasing demand for collaborative development implementation programs, the fund now stands at US\$138 million.

For more information about KGGTF activities please visit our website www.wbgkggtf.org.



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