

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON IT COOPERATION
BETWEEN
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, ICT AND FUTURE PLANNING OF
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AND
THE CABINET OFFICE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM**

The Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning of the Republic of Korea and the Cabinet Office of the United Kingdom on behalf of all interested United Kingdom government departments (hereinafter referred to as “the Participants”);

Recognising the necessity of cooperative and collaborative relations in the field of IT between countries;

Acknowledging the importance of the development of IT for future economic growth;

Recognising the growing challenges and opportunities coming from the radically changing IT environment and acknowledging the need for government policy to address both in a timely and efficient manner; and

Recognising the benefits of exchanges and cooperation in the field of IT between the two countries;

Noting our shared vision to achieve global prosperity through an open and secure cyberspace, and the close collaboration between the two countries in relation to the Seoul Conference on Cyberspace held in October 2013;

Have reached the following understanding:

**Paragraph 1
Basic Principles**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has its purpose in promoting cooperation in the field of IT between the Participants according to relevant laws and regulations of the two countries based on the principle of equal benefit and mutual interest.
2. The Participants will help to foster further cooperation and exchanges between businesses, research and training institutes, government and other organisations of the two countries in the field of IT.
3. The Participants aim to support efficient policies and technological development of the two countries by sharing technologies and policies for the mutual benefit of the both Participants.

Paragraph 2 Scope of Cooperation

Recognising rapid changes occurring in the field of various IT sectors, the Participants will cooperate on the following areas:

- (1) IT and technology policy;
- (2) hosting of IT seminars and workshops;
- (3) exchanges and visits, including participating in IT related conferences and events hosted by the two countries;
- (4) exchanges and joint research projects among IT R&D institutes of both countries;
- (5) international governance issues related to IT through organisations such as International Telecommunication Union (ITU);
- (6) exchanges of human resources such as training and education programs;
- (7) Cyber security related issues
- (8) Other cooperative activities agreed by the Participants.

Paragraph 3 IT Policy Forum

1. IT Policy Forum implements a wide range of cooperative activities stipulated in Paragraph 2. The IT Policy Forum will be organised as a senior level meeting, and is held at least once annually according to the schedule and program agreed by the Participants. The first forum will be held in 2014.
2. To ensure the implementation and efficiency of cooperative activities carried out under this MoU, the stakeholders and relevant organisations of the Participants will continue to communicate with each other.
3. Agendas for IT Policy Forum will be agreed by the Participants prior to the opening of each forum.

Paragraph 4 Entry into Effect, Duration and Termination

1. The MoU will come into effect on the date of signature.
2. The MoU is not intended to create any legally binding obligations. Nothing in the MoU will alter or affect any existing agreements between the Participants. The Participants acknowledge that the MoU shall not be deemed as an international agreement and shall not create legal obligations governed by international law.
3. The MoU will be valid for an initial period of five (5) years and thereafter is automatically extended, unless either Participant gives notice to terminate it, such notice to be given three

- (3) months in advance of the expiration of the five (5) year period. Thereafter, this agreement may be terminated by either Participant giving three (3) months' notice.
4. Either Participant may propose an amendment by means of written notice to the other Participant, or the amendment will be effected by mutual written consent between the Participants.
 5. In circumstances where the MoU expires or is terminated, the Participants may decide to continue joint activities, which are not completed at the time of termination or expiration of the MoU until such activities are completed under the provisions of the MoU.

This MoU is signed in two original English language copies of equal content and effect, on 6 November 2013, in London, United Kingdom.

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