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# ISUS Newsletter

*International School of Urban Sciences, University of Seoul*

## Cover Story

### <Final Class Evaluation Period>

The **final class evaluation period** will be from **November 30th to December 18th**, 2020. All students must conduct the final class evaluation through **online Wise system**. After Final Class Evaluation, students will be able to check their grade in January 2021.

### <2020 Seoul Policy Consultant Training Program>

ISUS successfully conducted the **2020 Seoul Policy Consultant Program**. A total of **14 trainees** completed a **three-week**(from 2nd to 20th of November) training on Seoul's overseas business, consulting methodologies as well as practices on PCP Writing.

### <Urban Infra Forum >

Urban Infra Forum has been held on 12th of November with the topic "**Korea Smart City Development**" delivered by **Dr. Daeyeon Cho**, currently a chief director of National Strategic Smart City R&D Program in Korea Agency for Infrastructure Technology Advancement.

### <Social Distance Level increased>

Starting Nov. 24th, **Level 2 social distancing measures** will be enforced in **the greater Seoul area**. As Seoul Metropolitan Government recognizes the severity of the current situation as a **critical phase of the COVID-19** pandemic, so please wear the mask all the time and refrain from going to populated areas.

# Successful Completion of the 2020 Seoul Policy Consultant Training Program



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On the first week, professors and trainees gathered online as an alternative way of learning. After delivered presentations, trainees received feedback from their instructors by online. The instructors were composed of experts with experience in the field of international development, environmental policy, transportation policy, feasibility study, and public-private partnerships.

On the second week, the training provided networking opportunities with foreign civilian officials. Also, the training included lectures, and hands-on practices. The lectures cover Seoul's key policies, grants for International Development Projects, details on Funding Agencies (MDB, KOICA, EDCF), consulting methodology, project concept note writing, and project presentation for consulting. The lectures and hands-on courses were made to maximize the consulting capacity of the course participants.



On the third week, trainees were invited as speakers to share the perspective of Seoul Solution face-to-face. Foreign officials were also invited as advisor to provide opportunities to understand on-site consulting further. On November 20th, the trainees concluded their training by holding a session for their consulting case presentation on the assigned issue and country. The trainees are now qualified participants and could act as a policy consultant on demand for policy consulting from foreign cities.

# ISUS 60th Urban Infra Forum



<Dr. Daeyeon Cho>

The ISUS 60th Urban Infra Forum (UIF), which marks the third UIF for the 2020 Fall Semester, is held Thursday, November 12th, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM as a type of webinar via Zoom meeting, with the topic “Korea Smart City Development” delivered by Dr. Daeyeon Cho, currently a Chief Director of National Strategic Smart City R&D Program in Korea Agency for Infrastructure Technology Advancement (AIA).

The participants were granted a valuable opportunity to listen to the story about “Smart Cities Trend, Korea Smart City Activities, National Smart City R&D Program”. Especially, we can predict what the future of smart city looks like.

UIF is a discussion forum on Infrastructure, Sustainable Urban Development, Construction, Environment, or related issues with invited speakers. Participants are mainly ISUS members who consist of Foreign Public Officials and Domestic Practitioners With a combination of their expertise, the forum has served as a platform for international networking and mutual learning.

**You can find the lecture materials of UIF on the website below.**

[http://isus.uos.ac.kr/freeTC/list.do?list\\_id=50018C7](http://isus.uos.ac.kr/freeTC/list.do?list_id=50018C7)

ISUS homepage > community > Urban Infra Forum

# UOS-Korea Territorial Development Museum Signed MOU

The University of Seoul President Seo Soon-tak and Korea Territorial Development Museum Director Kim Sang-seok signed a memorandum of understanding(MOU) on mutual cooperation in the planning and operation of training programs for foreign public officials on the 19th of November.

As per this agreement, the museum operates stable training programs by expanding their global training programs and securing trainees, while UOS provides IUDP students with tailored education opportunities in the national territory and transportation sector by participating in the planning of the museum's training program.

According to the agreement, the two organizations expect to foster professionals through mutual educational, cultural, and academic exchanges and enhance the international status of Korea's experience in national territory development by utilizing the museum's expertise in the national territory and transportation development as a research institute and the human resources of International School of Urban Sciences.

The main contents of the business agreement are 1) Cooperation in the planning and operation of training for overseas civil servants 2) Sharing research materials related to training projects and human exchanges 3) educational, cultural and academic exchanges, and active mutual promotion, 4) mutual use of auxiliary facilities.

The agreement was made non-face-to-face without holding a separate signing ceremony to practice social distance due to the COVID-19.

# KDI School-World Bank DIME Conference



The MIPD students attended the KDI School – World Bank DIME Conference on October 22-23. Students participated in the conference and studied many cases under the theme 'Impact Evaluation in Governance and Finance'. The two-days hybrid conference specifically focused on the topics of 1) public sector governance and 2) finance and private sector, and feature keynote speeches from Dr. Arianna Legovini (Head of DIME, World Bank) and Dr. Syngjoo Choi (Professor, Seoul National University). The conference provided a forum for leading scholars, practitioners, and key public and private stakeholders in the area of impact evaluation and development to gather and share their ideas and establish close-knit networks in the field.

# MGLEP Nowon Eco Energy Center Fieldtrip



Professor Tae Hwa Lee, energy policy instructor scheduled a fieldtrip to Nowon Eco Energy Center on Oct. 23rd for MGLEP batch 5 and 6 students. Nowon Eco Center is a zero-carbon house established to respond to climate change, and the building itself is an excellent learning place for energy education.

It is operating an environmental education program that can participate from infants to adults, and actively carrying out resident participation projects that are planned and operated with residents.

In addition, the center is working hard to enhance environmental education through the composition of various levels of environmental education programs and the activities of high-quality eco-guides.

# UOS Campus in November



# The end of the year coming soon!



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