



Korea - EU Aviation Partnership Project (APP)

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Finding ways to develop aviation partnership through sharing cases of civil and military cooperation between Rep. of Korea and the European Union (EU)

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT, Minister PARK Sang-woo) is hosting a workshop on the Korea-EU Aviation Partnership Project (APP)* in Seoul (Lotte City Hotel) for three days starting January 23rd to share efficient techniques of airspace management with EU.

* Aviation Partnership Project (APP): An exchange and cooperation project between the MOLIT (Bureau of Aviation Policy) and the EU (EASA: European Aviation Safety Agency) on 11 tasks including air navigation, traffic management, environment, and drones, etc. starting in 2022

The workshop this time is expected to serve as a cornerstone for further upgrading Korea's National Airspace Integrated Management System (NAIMS)* and efficiently managing airspace through technical collaboration such as sharing cases of civil-military cooperation between Korea and the EU, introducing the EU's Local and Sub-Regional ASM (LARA)**, and consulting with European airspace experts.



* National Airspace Integrated Management System (NAIMS): An airspace management system first established and operated in 2004 to coordinate and manage airspace use between the MOLIT and the Ministry of National Defense

** Local and Sub-Regional ASM support system: Airspace management support system for countries and regions in Europe

The Korea-EU APP Workshop is attended by around 60 participants including people in charge of airspace field as well as related experts to share mutual opinions on efficient measures of airspace management.

In particular, the EU side announces civil-military cooperation activities by military personnel, presents cases of flexible airspace use, and demonstrates the Europe's LARA, while the MOLIT (Air Traffic Management Office) presents cases of application of Korea's FUA* and demonstrates web-based NAIMS functions.

* Flexible Use of Airspace (FUA): An airspace management method that considers airspace as one rather than being owned by a specific user and allocates it in accordance with user needs such as specific time and conditions, etc.

Director General KIM Sang-soo of the Air Traffic Management Office, MOLIT stated his expectation as this workshop could not only enhance cooperation relationship between civil and military sectors, but also bring it to the next level.