

## Cutting-edge Equipment and Excellent Manpower to Enhance Countermeasure Capabilities for Aviation Security

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A Seminar on Aviation Security (on 31st) and a Contest (on 30th) are holding to continue to strengthen aviation security capabilities

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT, Minister WON Hee-ryong) held the Korea Aviation Security Seminar 2023\* (hereinafter referred to as the Seminar) at the Incheon International Airport Corporation (IIAC, Human Resources Academy) on Tuesday 31 October under the topic of 'Current status of security equipment development and application of cutting-edge technology to aviation security'.

\* (Co-hosts) MOLIT and Counter Terrorism Council of Incheon International Airport (Organizer) IIAC

At this seminar, the latest technological trends in the aviation security field will be shared and strategic development directions for strengthening aviation security will be explored through panel discussions with aviation security experts.

In particular, a dispatched officer from the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will give a special lecture this year to introduce TSA's assignment and share the results and plans of cooperative projects between Korea and the United States.



In addition, the day before the seminar, there will be the 15th Aviation Security Contest\* held on Monday 30 October to select the best aviation security agents with the excellent countermeasure capabilities.

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At the competition, Aviation Security Partners, Incheon International Airport Security Co., and airline security personnel will randomly form teams on the day to compete on their skills in the tasks of passenger screening, cargo screening, and aviation security, and then, the MOLIT's Ministerial Award is going to be awarded to a team receiving the highest evaluation score.

Director General for Airports Policy LEE Sang-il of the MOLIT expressed, "Last year alone, 92 million passengers and 3.7 million tons of cargo safely arrived at each airport around the world through the eyes and hands of aviation security agents and security guards," emphasizing that "the role of security related workers at the coalface is paramount as aviation demand recovers".