



Ministry of Land,
Infrastructure and Transport

MOLIT Joins Global Effort for Post-pandemic Aviation Recovery

ICAO's High Level Conference on COVID-19 (HLCC 2021, 12-22 Oct.2021)

- The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (*MOLIT, Minister Noh Hyeong-ouk*) has announced that it will be joining the High Level Conference on COVID-19 (HLCC 2021) hosted by International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) under the proposed theme of “One Vision for Aviation Recovery, Resilience and Sustainability beyond the Global Pandemic” from 12 to 22 October 2021.
 - The conference consisting of the plenary sessions (opening, three Ministerial and closing) and two technical streams covering 10 agenda items of Safety and Facilitation will see senior officials from 193 ICAO member states and serve as a venue to adopt a ministerial declaration outlining the joint vision on how to rise to the challenge of drawn-out pandemic facing aviation industry.
 - The declaration will reflect the commitment of states towards restoring international connectivity, confirming the importance of support provided for the aviation sector, and sharing pandemic-related passenger health information including vaccine certification to promote international air travel.
- The Minister Noh will take this occasion to reach out to a global audience through a keynote speech on ICAO TV(<https://www.icao.tv>), in which he describes Korea's national efforts to support the aviation industry, including promoting Travel Bubbles with countries with excellent disease prevention and control system, and pledges Korea's commitment to fulfill its duty and obligation as an ICAO Council Member State to overcome COVID-19 crisis safely and promptly with all of the 193 member states.

- The MOLIT expects this conference to mark a turning point in facilitating the recovery of international air travel plagued by pandemic by strengthening inter-country cooperation. An estimated 40 experts from MOLIT, Ministry of Justice, Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency and more, headed by Deputy Minister for Korea Office of Civil Aviation, will be joining the conference.
- The delegation will present Korea's good practices, such as how utilizing Safety Performance Indicators (SPIs) have improved the airlines' safety management system, as well as how utilizing biometrics such as palm veins have simplified immigration procedures at airports. The delegation is further slated to make sure these good practices reflected in the ICAO's international standards, procedures and polices so that Korea's profile can be elevated through expanded visibility in the international community.