# Innovation Cluster for Creating Creative Industries

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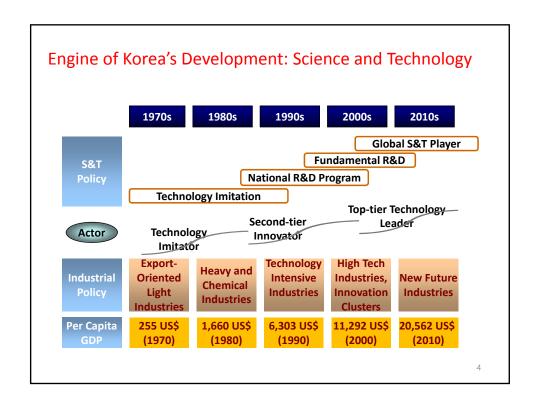
#### **Abstract**

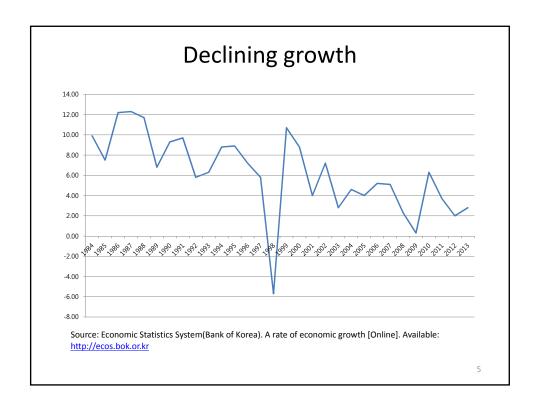
Korea, with the aging population and matured manufacturing, is confronted with low economic growth and needs some breakthrough for the further development. The Korean government tries to move forward by promoting the creative industries using the science and technology potential while maintaining the competiveness in manufacturing sectors.

The evaluation of creative industry policy of Korea shows followings. First, the policy direction is quite relevant and appropriate for the current Korean economy. The strong Korean IT industry will bring some synergy when coupled with Korean entertainment culture (K-pop). Second, there has to be some preconditions to implement the creative industry policy such as creating technological eco-system with the open network among the university, industry, and research institute. Finally, it is suggested that strengthening of innovation cluster (Science and Technology Park) is one of the effective tools to realize the creative industry in Korea.

#### Research Background and Purpose

- South Korea has been:
  - One of the fast growing economy in the world
  - From poorest country in 1950s to one of the global economic players in the world, both in terms of trade, industry and manufacturing
- South Korea now:
  - Aging population
  - Matured manufacturing
  - Relatively weak service and finance
  - From catch-up to front runner (from known to unknown), but how?
- Strategically thinking:
  - Major restructuring or change inevitable in term of quality and quantity
  - Creative industry is needed





### Aging population

• Ratio of the people beyond 65 years old

| Year  | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 | 2040 |
|-------|------|------|------|------|
| Ratio | 7.0  | 10.9 | 15.7 | 32.3 |

Source: Statistics Korea. Aging Population [Online]. Available: <a href="http://kostat.go.kr">http://kostat.go.kr</a>

- The young population is declining in absolute number.
- Birth rate

| Year                       | 2004  | 2006  | 2008  | 2010  | 2012  |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total<br>Fertility<br>rate | 1.154 | 1.123 | 1.192 | 1.226 | 1.300 |

Source: e-National index(Korea). (2014, January 30). Birth rate [Online]. Available: <a href="http://index.go.kr">http://index.go.kr</a>

#### **R&D** Investment in Korea

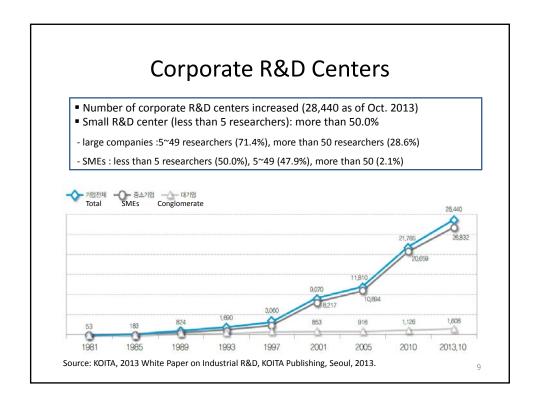
- Total R&D investment (2012): 55.5 Trillion won (6<sup>th</sup> in World, 3.2% increase compared to 2011, 4.36% of GDP)
- Korean government : about 10 % annual increase during the last decade
   ※ (2012) 13.8 trillion won, (1982) 0.2 trillion won
- Industry: about 74.7% share of total R&D
- Manufacturing sector (87.5%), Service sector (8.9%)
- Major 20 companies account for 52.0%

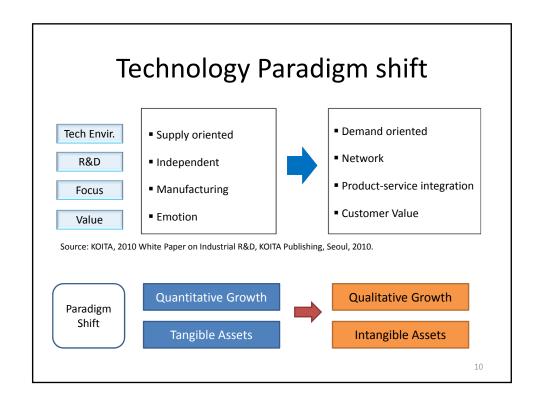


R&D investment is increasing but SMEs and service sector need improvement for sustainable growth.

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#### Structural Composition of BERD, 2009 As a % of total BERD OECD median (2005) OECD median ---- Korea (2005) Korea Industry High-tech manufacturing SMEs Low-knowledge High-knowledge market services Medium-Large firms to low-tech manufacturing Services Source: OECD, OECD Science, Technology and Industry Outlook, Paris, 2012. 8





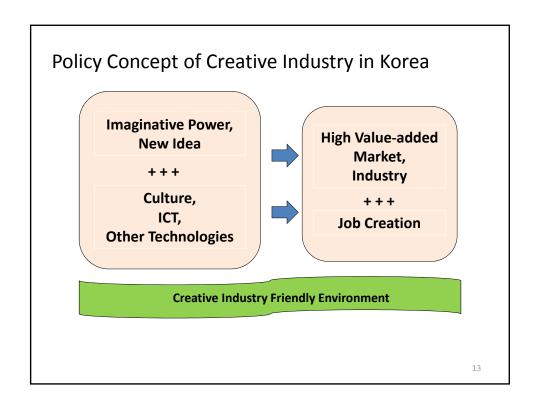
## What is Creative Industry?

As of 2006, the DCMS (U.K.) definition recognises twelve creative sectors namely: 1) <u>advertising</u>, 2) <u>architecture</u>, 3) <u>arts and antique markets</u>, 4) <u>crafts</u>, 5) <u>design</u>, 6) designer <u>fashion</u>, 7) <u>film</u>, <u>video</u> and <u>photography</u>, 8) <u>software</u>, <u>computer games</u> and <u>electronic publishing</u>, 9) <u>music</u> and the visual and <u>performing arts</u>, 10) <u>publishing</u>, 11) <u>television</u>, 12) <u>radio</u>."

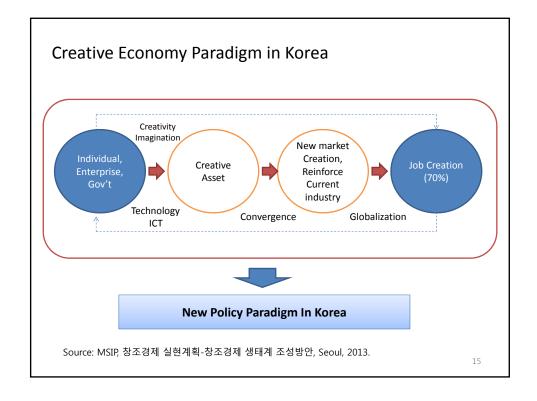
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## What is Creative Industry?

 The creative economy is for making highvalue-added market and industry, and creating jobs by creative imaginative power and ideas with culture and new technologies like ICT. (Korea's Policy Def.)









#### **Programs for Creative Industries**

| Programs  | Concerned Gov't  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| IP based creative industry strategy                                     | Korean Intellectual Property Office  |  |  |
| Contents industry promotion   | Min. of Science, ICT and Future Planning + Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism |  |  |
| Space information industry promotion with convergence and openness      | Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport                                     |  |  |
| Promotion of global start-up  | Min. of Science, ICT and Future Planning   |  |  |
| Regulation reform for convergence of different technologies and culture | All the ministries for the concerned subjects                                      |  |  |

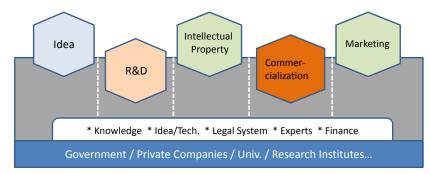
Source: author's summary of KOREA gov't policies

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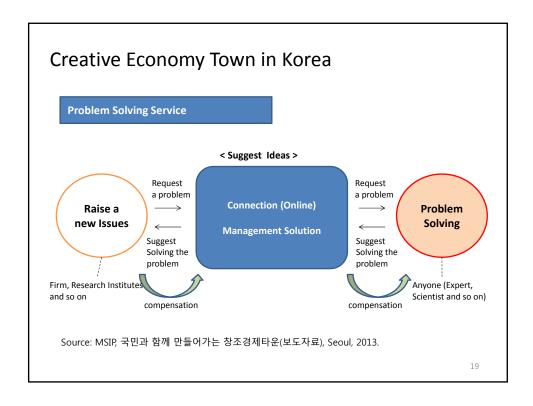
#### Creative Economy Town in Korea

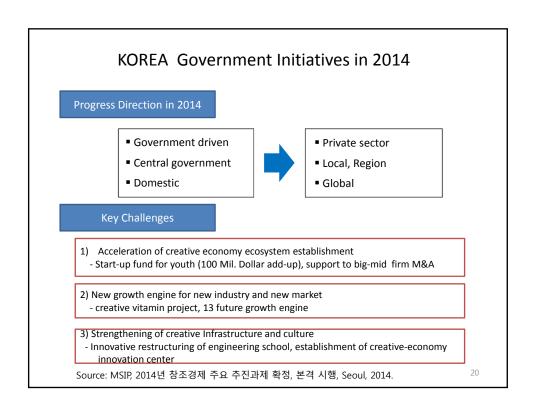
Creative Economy Town Service Concept

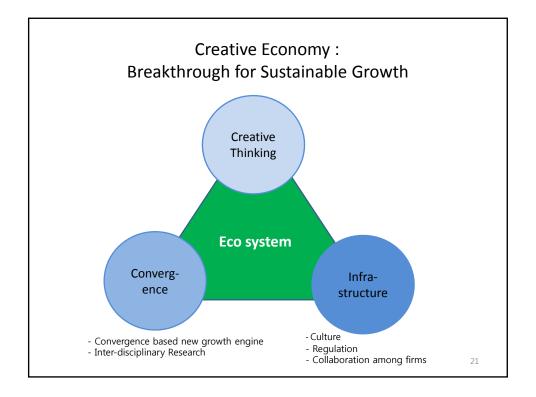
- Open source, Idea Sharing, Resolution of Issues, Commercialization Support



Source: Creative Economic Town(Korea). Available: https://www.creativekorea.or.kr





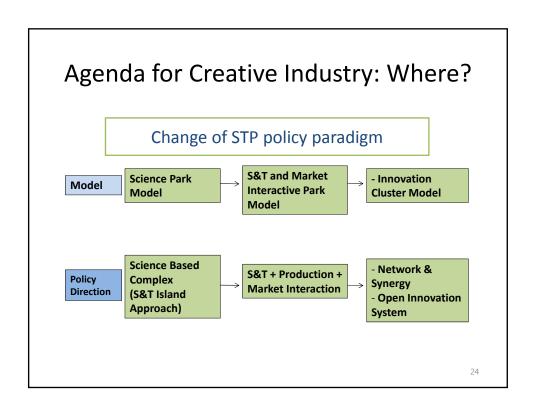


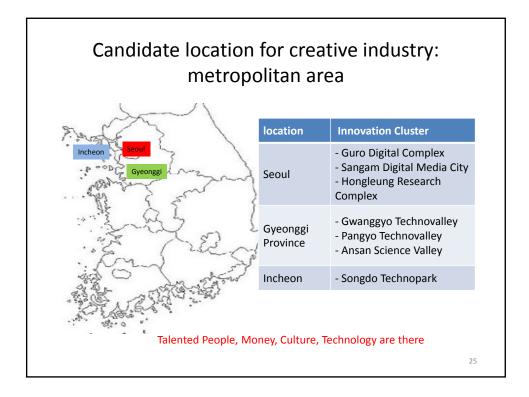
## Agenda for Creative Industry

- Can the creative industry lead a country without manufacturing?
- Is it possible to change the culture? If so, how?
- · How to introduce new innovation model?
- How can we accommodate the elements of city?
- How to secure the soft infrastructure such as IP protection, access to financial capital, activation of R&D funds, and so on

## Agenda for Creative Industry: Where?

- Where can the creative industry be nurtured or developed easily?
  - City
  - Traditional cultural area
  - Science and Technology Park
  - Industrial area





#### Seoul, Gyeonggi, Incheon Metropolitan Area

- Year 2012: The population is 24.7 Mil. (50.4% of Korea)
- Year 2011: The GRDP is 47.1% of Korea
- Seoul and Gyeonggi account for 41% of total R&D expenditure in Korea
- Seoul is for service and IT (knowledge industry), while
   Gyeonggi province accounts for advanced manufacturing

# Agenda for Creative Industry: By whom and how?



How to be creative, collaborative, open, networked?

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## Further research suggested

- This paper deals with mostly the conceptual and macro-level policy issues
- Further research is necessary:
  - To see whether there are such a policy effect
  - In what conditions, the creative industry can be nurtured?
  - What are the roles (or contribution) of creative culture? Can the creative culture be nurtured?
  - What are the ways firms can utilize such an creative industry concept in technological innovation process

#### **Conclusion and Discussion**

- Creative industry policy is a must path Korea has to take for the further growth.
- ✓ It is necessary to nurture a technological ecosystem rather than implement just technological development programs.
- Creative, open and collaborative culture is important.
- ✓ STP is a very effective policy tool for creative industry

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## Thank You!