Suwon City
CityNet
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1 Historic cultural city with UNESCO Cultural Heritage Hwaseong Fortress
2 Cutting-edge industrial city with a Global IT company, Samsung
3 The largest city among local governments in Korea with the population of over 1.25 million
4 Administrative vision "Welcome All, Human City Suwon" that envisions the value of people-centered city
Suwon's Policy to Promote Sustainable Development

☑️ Participatory City: Policies Determined by Citizens

- Good City Administration Committee, Citizen Participatory Budgeting System, Citizen Jury Trial System, Round-table Discussion, Citizens' Planning Group for Urban Policies (Introduced in 4th grade's social study textbook), Citizens Participatory Democracy Discussion, Village Renaissance Project, urban regeneration projects shared, supported and favored by residents → UN-HABITAT SCROLL OF HONOUR AWARD 2013
- Announced 2017 as the Year of Suwon Citizens' Government with the vision of establishing the government where citizens' rights is well respected

☑️ Inclusive City: Policies for the Vulnerable

- UNICEF Child Friendly City Certificate (Sep, 2017), WHO Age-Friendly City (Aug, 2016), Women Friendly City (2015~2020, Ministry of Gender Equality and Family), Opening Suwon's Human Right Center (May, 2015), policies to make Suwon a city where pregnancy and childbirth are full of joy, Safety Project for Women, Multicultural Policies, Village Guest Room for low income people
- Life-long education for all: The UNESCO Learning City Award in 2017 (Sep, 2017)

☑️ Leading City in Promoting Sustainable Development

1. Announced to Become an Environmental Capital and Low-carbon City
   - Suwon Ecomobility World Festival 2013
     (Ecomobility World Festival 2015, Johannesburg, South Africa/ Ecomobility World Festival 2017, Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei)
     → Introduced in the book Climate of Hope, Co-authored by Micheal Bloomberg and Carl Pope

2. Established Suwon 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (2016~2017): 3 categories, 10 goals, 57 targets, 132 indicators
   - Vision: a cultural city, Suwon where people and environment coexist
   - Policy development for sustainable development, establishment of foundations and designated divisions to provide converged and integrated public services
Suwon's Role on the Global Stage to Promote Sustainability and the Quality of Life

1. International Cooperative Project: Cambodia Suwon Village, efforts for toilet culture revolution,
   Toilet Building Project in developing countries (7 Toilet Building Projects including designated toilet building for Women in Vientiane),
   Suwon Citizen's Forest Project in Mongolia Erden-soum, support to improve school environment in Ponkham Village, Laos

2. Endeavors for International Policy Exchange
   - Joined CityNet (1997), Selected as an Auditor (2006~2009)
   - Suwon Forum on Asian Human City (2016/2017), hosting Tripartite Environment Ministers Meeting among Korea, China and Japan (Aug, 2017),
     CONFINTIA VI Mid-Term Review 2017 (Oct, 2017), EU World Cities Project (2017~2018)
   - Recite the declaration of local and regional government leaders at 2nd World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments, Habitat III (Oct, 2016)

3. The Urban SDG Knowledge Platform (http://www.urbansdgplatform.org/index.msc):
   Village Renaissance, Establishing an Eco-mobility Village, Citizens' Planning Group for Urban Policies, Restoring Suwon Stream

Plans to Contribute to CityNet

- Plan to host a CityNet ExCom Meeting by leveraging Suwon Forum on Asian Human City based on the unrivalled experience of hosting various international meetings and sufficient infrastructure to convene international events (Suwon Convention Center, April, 2019)
- Promote non-member cities to join CityNet by leveraging network as a member of the Presidential Committee on Job Creation, a chairman of Community Development Local Government Association and the Global Executive Representative of East Asia in ICLEI
- Suwon is proactively engaging in the project initiated by CityNet with the aim at establishing a sustainably developed city and will share our experience and pull the capacity we have built to pursue sustainable urban development with all member cities