

## **Changing the World with Future Mobility**

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Followed by the launch of Mobility Bureau on 26 Dec., Full-fledged kick-off of the mobility era started

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT, Minister WON Heeryong) held the inaugural ceremony and signboard hanging ceremony for launching 'Mobility Bureau' on Mon. 26 Dec., which will be dedicated to promoting mobility innovations such as autonomous driving and urban air mobility (UAM) with the private sector.

The event was attended by Minister Won of MOLIT, Chairman of the Mobility Innovation Committee (Professor HA Heon-gu, Inha University), and related organizations such as Korea Transport Institute (KOTI), Korea Transportation Safety Authority (TS), Korea Aerospace Research Institute (KARI), and Korea Institute of Aviation Safety Technology (KIAST), including the internal and external youth advisory groups such as the Youth Policy Committee of the MOLIT and the 'MZ Board', etc.

The MOLIT has expanded and reorganized the existing Motor Vehicles Policy Division into establishing the 'Mobility Bureau' to enable domestic related industries to take a global lead in the future mobility era and to efficiently focus the government's competency on implementing innovative mobility services in everyday lives.

Under the recent 4th industrial revolution, the convergence and integration of ICT and innovative technologies in the transportation sector has become common, and the new era of mobility is coming, which is totally different from the existing transportation system. The Mobility Bureau was newly established in accordance with this trends of the time.

As a result, the motor vehicles policy dedicated offices that started with the Land Transportation Department (1948), and changed to the Motor Vehicles Management Division (1994) and the Motor Vehicles Management Office (2015), and now it has opened the prelude to full-scale startup of the mobility era with a new name with 'Mobility'

The Mobility Bureau consists of a total of 54 personnel with 5 divisions, including Mobility General Affairs Division, Mobility Policy Coordination Division, Autonomous Driving Policy Division, Urban Air Mobility Policy Division, and Mobility Management and Insurance Division.

The Mobility Bureau will promote future mobility policies that each department has individually promoted such as autonomous driving, UAM, electric/hydrogen vehicles, and personal mobility (PM), based on one integrated strategy and vision, while dedicating to the overall mobility affairs including future-oriented means

of transportation as well as internal combustion engines and existing transportation-related tasks.

Accordingly, it is expected to provide optimal mobility configuration services from the perspective of the consumers, not the individualized and segmented transportation system for each means of transportation.

In particular, with the common factors represented as Electric, Autonomous, Connected, and Shared & Service, the new means of transportation such as autonomous driving and UAM are expected with significant synergy effect in terms of policy coordination and linkages for each sector

Minister Won emphasized, "I am very pleased with that I can take the first step to keep my promise I made when taking the office of Minister to advance the era of mobility.", and "We need to speed up with our job to make mobility be a part of everyday lives, not the future."

In addition, Minister Won asked the officers at the Mobility Bureau as "Please try to approach in the perspective of the people and companies and be reliable supporters so that the private sector can fully demonstrate their capabilities."

On the other hand, the youth advisory group who attended this day requested the newly established Mobility Bureau to collect and consider opinions from various expert groups and to focus on fostering future talents related to mobility.

For this, major public institutions such as the Mobility Innovation Committee, Korea Transport Institute, Korea Transportation Safety Authority, and Korea Aerospace Research Institute, etc. agreed to make joint efforts With the newly formed bureau to promote mobility policies, the MOLIT is planning to carry out tasks smoothly for mobility innovation based on the "Mobility Innovation Roadmap" announced in September.

In particular, Minister Won expressed his determination to do his best efforts to achieve full-fledged results by establishing the legal and institutional basis for mobility including the Mobility Act, the UAM Act, and the PM Act, etc., and by expanding innovative services through supporting demonstration and pilot projects such as mobility-specialized cities and autonomous driving pilot districts, and so forth.