

**Symposium on**  
***“Strengthening the Capacities of Public Institutions & Developing Effective Partnerships to Realize the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”***

24-26 October 2018  
Incheon, Republic of Korea

**Day 1 – Wednesday, 24 October 2018**

Time	Agenda Item	Objective
08:00-9:00	<b>Registration</b>	
09:00-13:00	<b>Site Visit</b>	
13:00-14:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:00-15:30	<b>Plenary Session I</b> <b>“Taking stock of the Implementation of SDG Goal 16 on Effective, Accountable, and Inclusive Institutions in Asia and the Pacific – <i>Lessons Learned and Good Practices</i>”</b>	Reviewing the progress of regional SDG implementation and the crosscutting role of public administration
15:30-16:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:00-17:30	<b>Plenary Session II – Part A</b> <b>“Effective Public Institutions and Digital Government for Advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)”</b>	Addressing public sector capacity gaps and how digital government and frontier technology can address the SDGs

**Day 2 – Thursday, 25 October 2018**

Time	Agenda Item	Objective
9:00-10:00	<b>High-level Session - Keynotes and Welcome Address</b>	This session will officially open the Symposium with introductions and welcome from host institutions and key partners
10:00-10:30	<b>Group Photo &amp; Coffee break</b>	
10:30-12:30	<b>Plenary Session II – Part B</b> <b>“Effective Public Institutions and Digital Government for Advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)”</b>	Focusing on the impact of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and Frontier Technology on public governance and public institutions and multi-

		stakeholder partnerships; how to address the challenges and social inequalities by frontier technology with adaptive ethical and legal frameworks; and how to strengthen transformative leadership and capacities of public institutions for future governance
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12:30-14:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
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14:00-15:30	<b>Plenary Session III</b> <b>“Inclusive institutions for SDG implementation: Ensuring Inclusion and Participation in Decision Making of the Poorest and Most Vulnerable Groups”</b>	This session will use a roundtable discussion method to discuss the inclusion and participation of vulnerable groups in the implementation of the SDGs to leave no one behind. The challenges of an ageing society will also be discussed, considering the special needs, multi-dimensional poverty levels and marginalization of ageing communities in society.
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15:30-16:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
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16:00-17:30	<b>Parallel Breakout Groups - Session III</b>	
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<b>Group I:</b> <b>Youth engagement in public governance</b>	<b>Group II:</b> <b>Women’s inclusion and participation</b>	<b>Group III:</b> <b>Ensuring the inclusiveness and participation of older persons: Addressing the challenges of Ageing Societies</b>
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## Day 3 – Friday, 26 October 2018

Time	Agenda Item	Objective
9:00-09:45	<b>Plenary Session IV</b> <b>“Accountable Institutions for SDG implementation: Data, Statistics and Analytics for Monitoring, Review and Follow-up”</b>	Reviewing the SDG implementation with indicators and highlighting the importance of statistical capacity building for developing countries.
09:45-10:30	<b>Plenary Session V</b> <b>“Public Governance Innovations to Strengthen Resilience”</b>	These sessions, co-organized with UNISDR, will focus on strengthening policy coherence and governance for the SDGs and Resilience, including how the special needs of

		island states and land locked developing countries in achieving resilience through innovations in technology and finance.
10:30-11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:00-12:30	<b>Parallel Breakout Groups - Session V</b>	
	<b>Group I: DRR Strategies and Climate Change Adaptation</b>	<b>Group II: Digital Government and Technological Innovations for Resilient and Sustainable Societies</b>
		<b>Group III: Effective Financing for Resilience</b>
12:30-14:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
14:00-16:00	<b>Plenary Session VI - Partnership-Building Session</b>	This session will focus on effective partnerships outcomes for the SDGs, highlighting the importance of partnership for the SDGs including North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation.
16:00-16:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:30-16:45	<b>Key messages from the discussions &amp; Closing Session</b>	Concluding remarks and closing of the Symposium