



A warm welcome for the BIE inspection team to host World Expo 2030 in Busan

A delegation from the Bureau International des Expositions (BIE) was warmly welcomed by citizens in Haeundae and they stayed in Busan from April 4 to 7 after visiting Seoul first to conduct inspections for a due diligence report.

Haeundae-gu organized various promotional events, and among them was the creation of an 'Expo

Flower Garden' in Haeundae Square. Installed in the garden were symbolic sculptures of the World Expo and its history, and architectural models of inventions. Various items including the Eiffel Tower, a Ferris wheel, and a locomotive, among others, were arranged in the Expo Garden. Also, Haeundae had a promotional video for the World Expo

projected for the public on a sixteen meter high screen on 'Haeundae Tower' that has been built on Haeundae Beach. A World Expo-themed sand sculpture, 'Expo Sand Observatory' was also built seven meters high so that visitors could enjoy overlooking the sea from the observatory. Furthermore, A huge, Expo emblem-shaped maze, twenty

meters in length and width, was installed at the beach for visitors to enjoy as part of the fun activities. Haeundae's well known Sand Festival in May will be prepared in a way to express the city's aspiration in hosting the World Expo 2030 in Busan with the theme of "Expo Sand Ocean Toward the Future 2030"

Leaping forward as a global city through hosting World Expo 2030 in Busan



'World Expo 2030 in Busan' would be a golden opportunity for Busan to leap forward as a global city. The duration of a World Expo is normally two to five times longer than the Olympics or World Cup, and the number of visitors to the Expo is expected to be twenty times more than those events. The popularity of the World Expo is due to it being an occasion where you can learn

about and see the greatest achievements of mankind to date in the cultural, economic and technological spheres. Actually, starting with London in 1851, most cities that have hosted a registered Expo including Paris, New York, Chicago, Vienna, Philadelphia, Melbourne, Atlanta, Brussels, Barcelona, Montreal, Osaka, Shanghai have been spotlighted as global cities.



Chronic traffic congestion in Centum City to be resolved: Construction of approach roads in progress

In order to resolve regular traffic jams, construction to connect the approach roads to Gwangsan Bridge has been in full swing. The city broke ground earlier this year, and the construction has had a city-funded 39 billion won spent on building a 276 meter-long ramp connecting the Bexco toll

gate and underpass in Centum City, and a 284 meter-long surface road that connects the underpass to the Olympic Dongsan three-way intersection. Completion is scheduled for December 2025. When the approach roads are done, drivers can go straight to the underpass in Centum through

the ramp bypassing the Olympic intersection or the Centum City intersection from Jangsan-ro in Haeundae. Meanwhile, the existing tollgates at Bexco and Suyeong River will be replaced with a "Smart Tolling System" that collects tolls using automatic vehicle identification.

The system will improve traffic congestion caused by cars that are without Hi-pass receivers installed and have to stop to pay in cash, helping reducing the risk of accidents.

Frequently Asked Questions for foreigners living in Korea

Q1.

I am an unnaturalized marriage-based immigrant. Do I have to report if I move?

Foreigners who have changed their place of residence must notify the relevant immigration office (city, county, or district) of your new address within 14 days. If you don't notify, you may have to pay a penalty.

Q2.

Can a child of a multicultural family receive childcare benefits?

Children aged between 0 and 5 of multicultural families, who use daycare centers, can receive childcare benefits. However, the childcare benefit will be differentiated according to the hours staying at the daycare center. For further information, please contact the Health and Welfare Call Center (129), or the local eup, myeon, and dong community service center in your residential area.

Q3.

How much can I receive for childcare benefits?

Regardless of the income level, a family can receive childcare benefits for infants and toddlers looked after at home. However, the child should not be looked after by other childcare services such as daycare centers or kindergartens as a full-day childcare service.

You can find details on the homepage of BOKJIRO (<http://www.bokjiro.go.kr>).

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