The Republic of Korea and the EU launched a new Digital Partnership On 28 November 2022

What is the Digital Partnership?

- The ROK–EU Digital Partnership will strengthen the cooperation between trusted and technologically advanced partners in the digital area. It will provide an overarching framework for advanced cooperation across the full spectrum of digital issues.

How will the Digital Partnership work?

- The EU and Korea will establish an annual meeting at ministerial level, the “Digital Partnership Council” for an effective governance.
- The Council is expected to meet on a yearly basis to identify areas of mutual interest and cooperation tasks, and review progress on deliverables.

Both sides have identified the following initial set of joint actions for 11 priority areas:

The 11 priority areas for the Digital Partnership

- Collaborative Research
- Beyond 5G/6G
- Skills–Mobility–Digital Inclusion
- Cybersecurity and Trust
- Digital Trade
- Artificial Intelligence
- HPC and Quantum Technologies
- Online & Digital Platform Cooperation
- Semiconductors
- Data related Platform Cooperation
- Digital Identity and Trust Services

Initial Joint Actions

- Collaborative Research through Korea’s national R&D projects and EU’s Horizon Europe, including common research activities through Joint Undertakings
- Establish a ROK–EU forum for semiconductor researchers
- Establish a working group composed of quantum technology experts
- Cooperate in cybersecurity capacity building for third countries
- Initiate an exchange programme for young researchers in the area of ICT
- Deepen the cooperation and share information in all priority areas
- For more information please visit: https://k-erc.eu/digital-partnership