

The Perfect Partner for Your Food Business

FOODPOLIS

KOREAN NATIONAL FOOD CLUSTER













Location

Iksan, Jeollabuk-do, Korea

- Southwest part of Korean peninsular
- Adjacent to places that contain a variety of agricultural produce
- A city of tourism with historical and cultural heritage

Construction

2012~2015

Period

- Creating a R&D-oriented industrial complex 2,320,000m² (232ha)
- Constructing a residential complex 1,260,000m² (126ha)

Scale

Total project budget: USD 480 million (for industrial complex)

Size of land: 3,580,000m² (358ha)

Organizer

Ministry for Food, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries /

Jeollabuk-do Provincial Government / Iksan City Government

Enforcement

Korea Land and Housing Corporation

A bird's-eye view of the Korean National Food Cluster, FOODPOLIS





Why invest in Korea?

Favorable Geostrategic Location, Transportation Infrastructure

- Located between Japan and China, Korea serves as a strategic gateway to Northeast Asia.
- The Incheon International Airport is ranked the world's No. 2 in cargo volume.
- Can access major cities around the world within two-hour flights.
- Acts as a transportation hub in the region that enables one-day travel to China, Japan, and Hong Kong.

The borderless trade environment brings new market opportunities

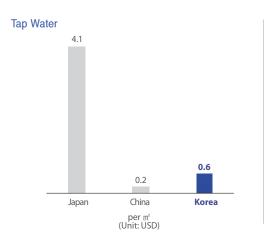
- The Korean government concluded 8 FTAs with 47 countries that represent the EFTA, ASEAN, EU and USA.
- FTA negotiations and considerations are underway with major countries including China.
- Korea became a member of GATT in 1967, and a member of WTO and OECD in 1996.

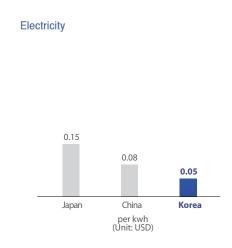
Korea's IT technology is in the worlds top-tier

- Korea as an IT powerhouse also has an advanced food safety system
- Korea tops the world in terms of telecommunications and Internet penetration (No. 1 among the 34 OECD members in terms of wireless high-speed Internet penetration (89.8%)

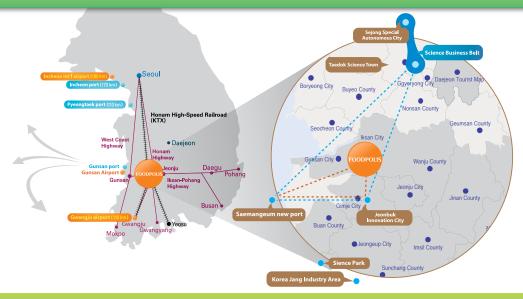
Business operating costs in Korea, China, and Japan

- The low land lease cost / business-friendly policy
- Low utility (electricity, tap water) costs
- Korea is highly competitive compared to China in terms of the cost to be borne to educate/train the Chinese workforce





Where is FOODPOLIS?



Land Use Plan (Industrial Estate / Residential Area)



FODDPOLIS next-steps

2012

Official designation of the national food cluster

2013

Industrial complex development

2014

Industrial complex development

- Prepare for lot sales for businesses

2015

Completion of industrial complex

- Completions business support facilities construction
- Business relocations starting

Six business support systems to strengthen the competitiveness of residential enterprises



Food Quality and Safety Center

| Implements nine food safety-related legal regulations

| Institute managing taste quality such as flavor and smell at high standard



Food Functionality Evaluation Center

A one-stop support service for evaluating food functionality



Food Packaging Center

| State-art-of packaging technologies | Prompt process of analyzing and testing food packaging upon business request | Specialized workforce



Agency for Korean National Food Cluster

Around permanent 40 staffs to provide comprehensive services

| Serves as a networking coordinator between local/global businesses and laboratories

General management of the cluster



Rental Plants

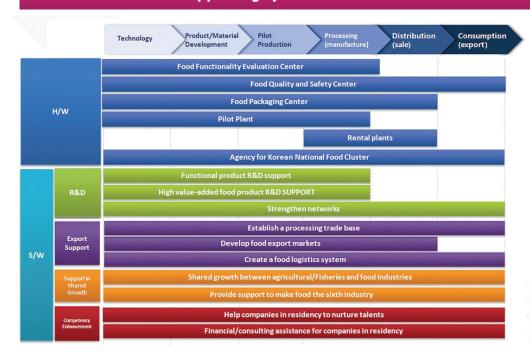
Provides production space at a reasonable cost for small and medium food companies



Pilot Plant

| Produces/test's prototypes and trials | The aim is to establish a world-class pilot plant

Methodical Business Supporting System



Benefits for those who move into FIZ (Foreign Investment Zone)

Incentive Programs			Benefits
Foreign Investment Zone(FIZ)	National tax		(Corporation tax, Income tax) 100% exemption for the first three years, 50% reduction for following two years
	Local Tax		(Acquisition tax, registration tax, and property tax) 100% exemption for fifteen years
	Tariff exemption		Exemption applied to capital goods inflow raised from the acquisition of new stocks
	Free/ reduced land lease		Land lease benefits (free of charge or at least 50% reduction) for 50 years, duration extendable (up to 100 years)
Subsidy	Investment Subsidy	Jeolla buk-do (Province)	Minimum investment amount of USD 8.5 million, the subsidy to be provided within 5% of the invested amount up to USD 4 million
		lksan-si (City)	USD 4 million of the maximum per company in 5% of the investment amount if investment exceeds over USD 85,000
	Employment Subsidy		Up to USD 430 per person for up to six months / the subsidy ceiling to be USD 430,000 per company
	Education/ Training Subsidy	Jeolla buk-do (Province)	USD 90 \sim 430 per person for six months, USD 430,000 per company
		lksan-si (City)	USD 90 ~ 430 per person for six months, USD 430,000 per company USD 520/month per person for six months, USD 170,000 per company
	Consulting Subsidy		1% of the final investment amount, within the limits of USD 88,000



