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THE ESTABLISHMENT AND AFTER

KOREA MARITIME INSTITUTE(KMI) was established under the Act on the Establishment, Operation and Fostering of Government-funded Research Institutions. It is a government-sponsored institute under the umbrella of the National Research Council for Economics, Humanities and Social Sciences (NRCS). KMI's origin traces back to the Korea Institute of Shipping Technology, which was founded in 1984. Later in 1997, it was launched under a new name, the Korea Maritime Institute, which integrated the maritime and fisheries policy divisions scattered throughout various research organizations.

KMI'S MAJOR BUSINESS AREAS are as follows: first, analysis, research and consulting on maritime, fisheries, shipping, logistics and port policies; second, comparison studies on relevant domestic and international policies; third, assessment on international logistics and multimodal transport as well as shipping and ports; fourth, joint studies with relevant organizations for consigned projects. KMI also holds seminars and debates providing venues to share knowledge and information among industries, academia and governments. Besides its vigorous research activities, KMI has offered education programs through the Ocean Academy since 2009.

KMI'S PURPOSE is to contribute to preparing national policies and developing the national economy through a comprehensive and systematic research on maritime, fisheries, shipping, the industrial development of ports, and other relevant tasks. These goals are achieved through the nature and content of our work, which includes the quick and efficient collection, analysis and spread of information and trends in the field.

RESEARCH AREAS

The Marine Policy Research division of KMI carries out policy research on coastal areas, islands, coastal disasters, inter-Korean marine cooperation, marine industries, marine tourism, marine environment/ecosystem and responses to climate change, which becomes the basis and framework for national marine policy. The division also supports international negotiations on marine policies and conducts active cooperation projects with international organizations and overseas research institutes.

The Fisheries Policy Research division carries out research on fisheries resources, fisheries supply and demand, processing, distribution, trade, seafood, human resources for fishing activities and fishery household economy. It also conducts studies on the development of fishing villages and fishing grounds, aquaculture industry, international deep sea fishery for global fishery and deep sea fishery development, international fisheries cooperation, including bilateral and multilateral negotiations and ODAs, as well as research on supportive measures for FTA implementation. Moreover, it has held the Korea-Africa Fisheries Forum and the Korea-South Pacific Fisheries Forum, to explore the international fisheries agenda, while carrying out cooperation projects with FAO, OECD and other international organizations.

The Maritime Industry and Safety Research division conducts research on international shipping, coastal shipping, shipping finance, cruise, establishment of shipping alarm systems and shipping information networks, maritime industry, transportation and safety facilities, maritime safety R&D, as well as shipping market analyses and forecast. It has constantly conducted cooperation projects with UNESCAP, IMO, APEC, WTO and other major international organizations.

The Port Research division carries out research on national port development, redevelopment and port management and operation. The Port Policy Research division has led national port policies with its research on port throughput and port demand estimation.

In addition, **the Strategy Research** division carries out research on national policies for the Arctic and Antarctic, Arctic Ocean utilization strategies, advancement into the international logistics market, including the Eurasia logistics market, investment inducement into free trade zones, and the delimitation of maritime boundaries. The Strategy Research division has held the North Pacific Arctic Conference, the Arctic Policy Forum, the Global Logistics Company CEO Forum, the East Sea Rim Future Development Forum, and the Global Maritime Regime Forum.

RESEARCH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

KMI has operated the University-Institute Joint Research Center in logistics, a research system designed to lead the international logistics market. The KMI China Research Center gathers and analyzes local information on shipping, ports and logistics, helping to prepare national policies accordingly. The KMI Ocean Academy has carried out education programs for the Korean people, as well as for policymakers in developing nations, and has also contributed to raising awareness and cooperation amongst the public. The Fisheries Outlook Center investigates and analyzes fisheries production, inventory, price, imports and exports and related overseas trends to



provide supply and demand information to stakeholders. With item specific information, fishermen can prepare for future market changes while policymakers can develop fishery supply and demand strategies as well as price stability measures. Moreover, the Fisheries Outlook Conference and the Ocean Policy Forum have been venues for communication and interaction between industry and government.

THE WAY FORWARD

KMI will focus on laying the groundwork for new ocean industries, such as vertical aquaculture, mudflat fisheries and aquaculture complexes. By doing so, it will advance the Korean maritime and fisheries sector and solidify the foundation for future growth while actively addressing international issues, such as climate change and the Arctic. As such, the KMI aims to develop into a world-class research institute by engaging in joint research activities and exchange programs with prominent overseas universities, research institutes and international organizations.

A THINK TANK DEDICATED TO MARITIME AND FISHERIES POLICY DEVELOPMENT, A LEADER IN THE NEW OCEAN ERA, THE KOREA MARITIME INSTITUTE!

Since its establishment in 1984, the Korea Maritime Institute has committed itself to studying the value of the ocean and its treasure trove of resources for humanity. KMI will help initiate the fourth wave of civilization, "the Maritime Civilization".

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