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MISSION & VISION

The Korea-U.S. Science Cooperation Center (KUSCO) is a non-profit organization established in Vienna, Virginia, founded in 1997, to accomplish two major missions: to enhance cooperative efforts in S&T between Korea and the U.S. and to support Korean-American scientists and engineers in the United States.

KUSCO's vision is to serve as a leading platform for S&T collaboration between Korea and the United States. In pursuit of this vision, KUSCO strives to position itself as a premier hub for international cooperation and exchange through the following strategic priorities:

Strengthening the portfolio of bilateral S&T cooperation between Korea and the United States

Empowering and engaging Korean-American scientists and engineers

Expanding global exchange and collaboration programs

MAJOR ACTIVITIES



Advance scientific and technological development in both Korea and the United States



Foster bilateral cooperation and initiate joint programs with scientific and engineering societies and academic institutions



Assess key trends in scientific research and technological innovation relevant to both countries



Support early-career Korean-American and international scientists in building and sustaining professional networks

EARLY HISTORY

November 1995

1

Established as a corporation in the Commonwealth of Virginia, United States

August 1996

2

Acquired the KUSCO building

February 1997

3

Official opening of the Center, accompanied by a commemorative seminar

August 1997

4

Granted nonprofit status by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

PROGRAM

KUSCO operates four key categories of S&T programs designed to promote collaboration, support scientific communities, and facilitate the exchange of knowledge between Korea and the United States:



U.S.-Korea Joint Programs

Advancing bilateral research collaboration

Promoting collaborative research and strategic partnerships between institutions in Korea and the United States.

NOAA-MOF Joint Program

Promotes Korea-U.S. cooperation through joint research and researcher exchange in Integrated Coastal Management, Ocean Research, Sea Grant, Fisheries, Aquaculture and Polar

Status Ongoing

U.S.-Korea S&T Forum

Strengthens collaboration among scientists and engineers across diverse S&T fields, fostering long-term partnerships

Frequency 2-3 annually **Application Deadline** One month prior to each quarter



Korean-American Scientists Support

Empowering a vibrant scientific community

Supporting the professional development, networking, and engagement of Korean-American scientists and engineers.

U.S.-Korea Conference

One of the largest Korea-U.S. S&T conferences, offering annual opportunities for collaboration through symposia, forums, and workshops

Frequency Once a year

KSEA Chapter & Professional Association Meetings

Supports KSEA chapters and professional associations to strengthen S&T networks among Korean-American scientists and engineers

Supported Meetings 2-3 annually **Application Deadline** One month prior to each quarter

Graduate Scholarship

Recognizes outstanding graduate students in science and engineering

Awards Up to 20 annually **Application Deadline** Mar 31

IMPACTs

Industry Meetup Program for Advancing Careers and Technical Skills

Empowers early-career scientists and engineers through workshops, networking, and mentorship

Frequency Once a year



Human Resources Exchange & Development

Cultivating global scientific talent

Facilitating researcher exchange and fostering the development of global scientific talent.

Provides Korean R&D professionals with insights into global practices and U.S. S&T policies through case studies, institutional visits, and immersive training at leading U.S. universities, with a focus on innovation, R&D practices, and industry-academia collaboration



S&T Information Exchange

Sharing insights and emerging trends

Providing timely insights into scientific and technological developments and promoting knowledge exchange between Korea and the United States.

Provides timely and in-depth analysis of U.S. R&D, science and technology policies, venture trends, and emerging issues to support Korea-U.S. information exchange, collaboration, and policy development