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Current Trends of Lifelong Education Policy in Korea

韩国平生教育政策的最近动向

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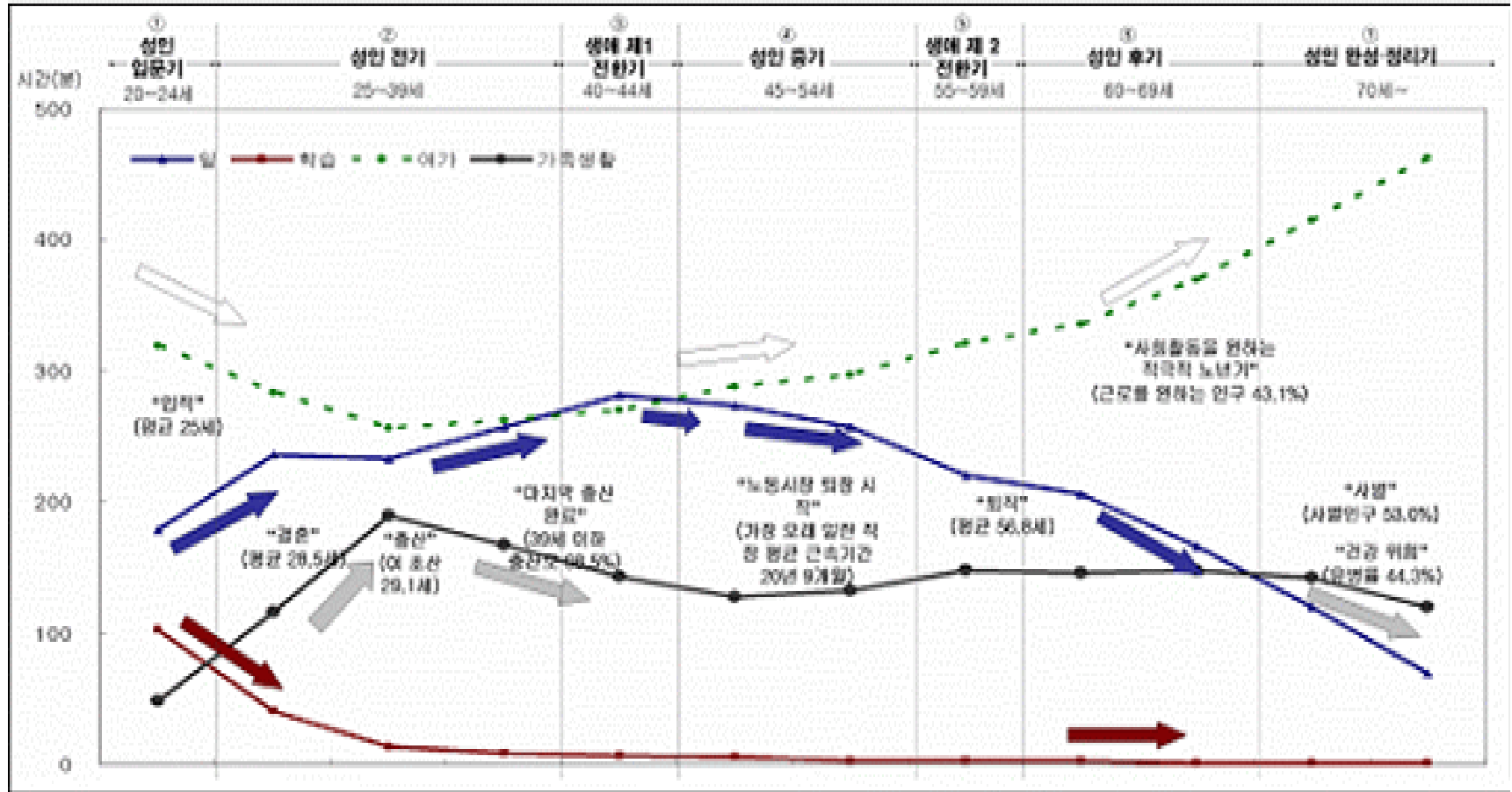
NILE(National Institute for Lifelong Education)

- **2008. Feb. 2, newly established, separated from KEDI**
 - **Function**
 - * **Conducting Lifelong Education Survey**
 - * **Drafting the National Lifelong Education Master Plan**
 - * **Developing Lifelong Education Program**
 - * **Training Lifelong Education Professionals**
 - * **Establishing Networks among Education Organizations**
 - * **Supporting Provincial Lifelong Education Institutes**
 - * **Maintaining a Comprehensive LE Information System**
 - * **Implementing Academic Credit Bank System & Managing BA Degree Examination for Self-Education**
 - * **Operating Lifelong Learning Account System**
- (Based on the article 19 of LE Act)
(<http://www.nile.or.kr>)

NILE(National Institute for Lifelong Education)

- **Man power**
 - ***Total: 79 persons(Regular 24)**
- **Finance: about 20.4 Millions USD(2011)**
 - ***Government Support(出捐金): 3.9 Mil. USD**
 - ***Commission(委託): 8.3 Mil. USD**
 - ***Revenue or Income(自體收入): 8.2 Mil. USD**
 - ***other(其他): 0.04 Mil. USD**
- **Main Function**
 - ***Management of LE Policy: Issues Raising, Making Policy, Fund Raising, Lobbying to MPF & National Assembly, Public Hearing, Providing Fund to LE institute & Universities & Local Government through screen, Workshop, Providing Manual, Consulting, Networking, Evaluation, Feedback**

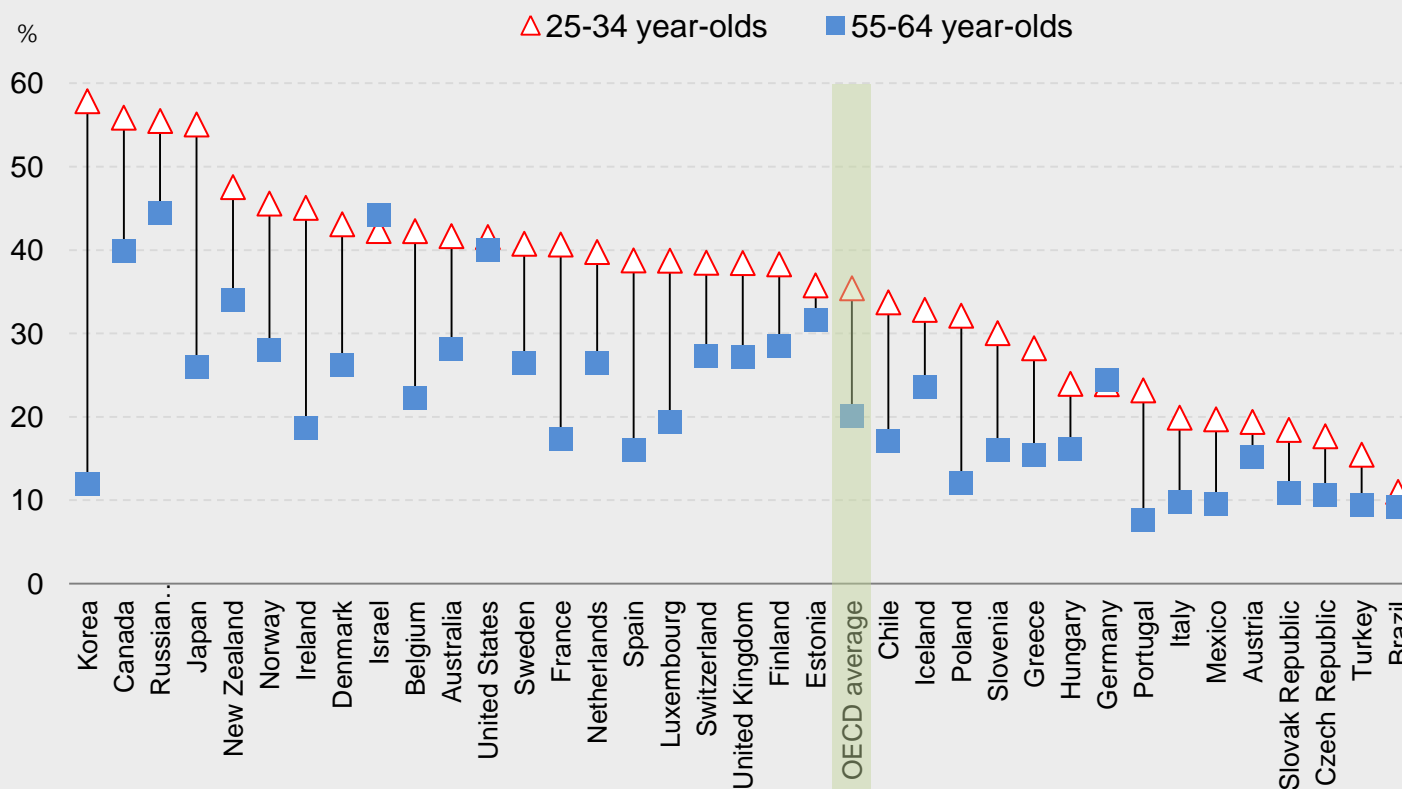
Adult's Daily Life in Korea



➡ : **work**
 ➡ : **learning**
 ➡ : **leisure**
 ➡ : **family life**

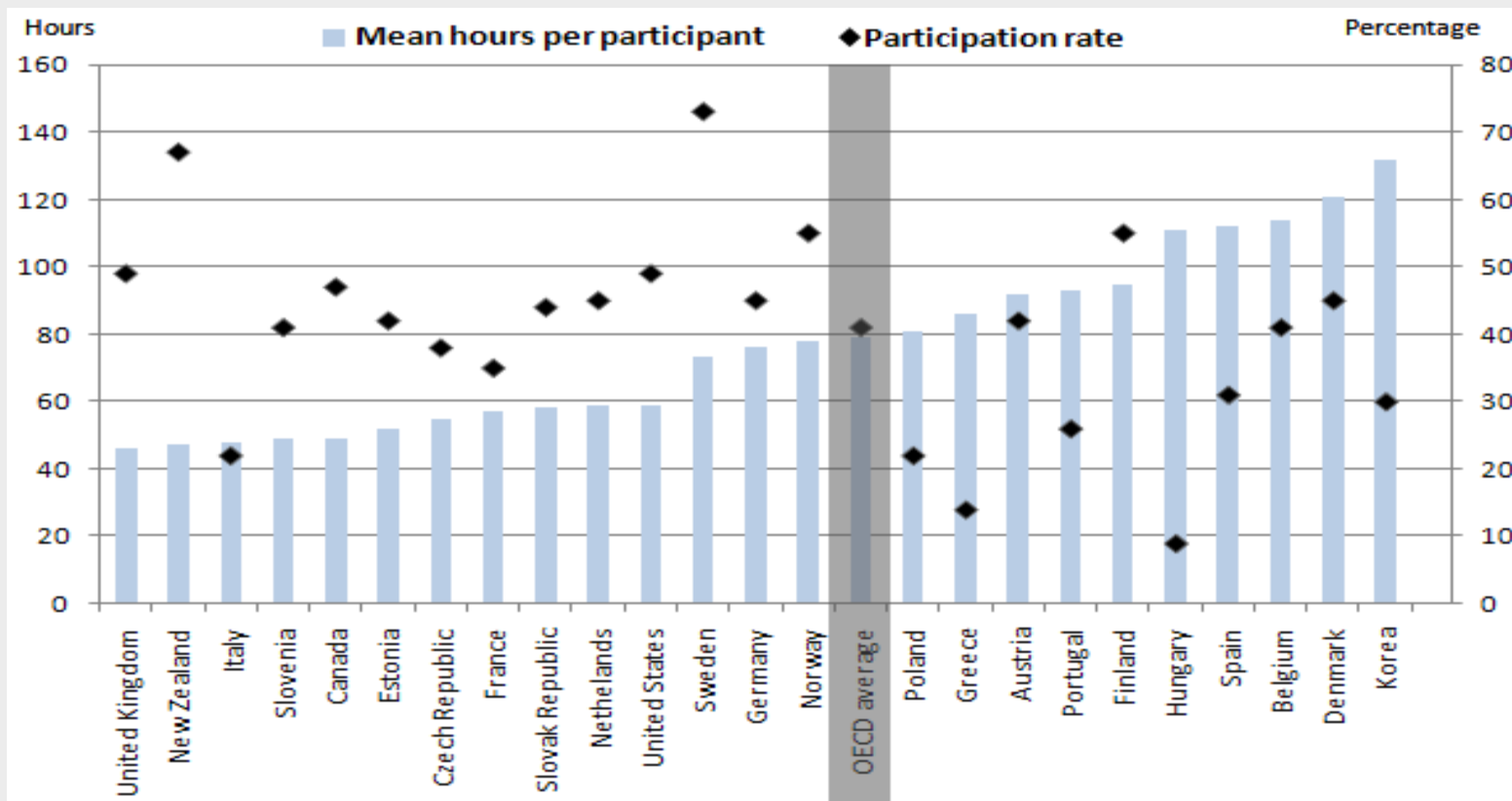
Source: Statistics Korea, 2004

Earning Ratio of HE Diploma according to age cohort



Source: OECD(2010), Education at a glance

- participation hours & participation rate of LE



Source: OECD(2010), Education at a glance

- Current statistics of Participation rate to LE : 32.4%(2011), OECD 40.2%, EU 37.9%

Division	Total	Formal Education	Non-formal Edu.	VET non-formal Edu.
Age				
25-34age old	42.7	13.2	35.7	23.6
35-44age old	35.7	1.6	34.7	16.5
45-55age old	26.5	0.8	26.1	12.1
55-64age old	21.0	0.7	20.6	10.4
School diploma				
less than junior HS	16.9	0.2	16.7	8.0
Grad. Senior HE	25.2	4.2	22.9	12.0
Univ. or higher	44.9	5.5	41.9	22.8
Income per month				
less than 1.3 thousands	23.6	4.8	20.2	11.4
1.3-2.7 thousands	25.6	2.8	23.8	12.6
2.7-4.4 thousands	36.7	4.4	34.9	18.4
higher than 4.4thousands	39.5	6.3	35.9	19.4

source: MEST·KEDI(2011), Adult Participation Statistics in Korea

• Finance related to Lifelong Education of Ministries (2010)

Ministry	Finance (Mills. USD)	ratio(%)
Min. of Employment & Labor	1,074	54.5
Min. of Education, Science, & Technology	290	14.8
Min. of Knowledge Economy	106	5.4
Min. of Culture, Sports, & Tourism	89	4.5
Min. of Food, Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	62	3.1
Min. of Unification	61	3.1
Min. of Healthy & Welfare	60	3.1
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Total	1,969	100.0

Lifelong Education Finance among Budget of MEST each year

(unit: mil. USD, %)

	2009	2010	2011
Total Budget	31,985 (100)	33,080 (100)	35,672 (100)
Lifelong Vocational Education	389 (1.3)	461.6 (1.4)	556.3 (1.6)
Infra of lifelong Learning	15.1 (0.05)	8.3 (0.03)	11.7 (0.03)
Infra of Vocational Education	276.2 (0.87)	318.9 (0.96)	418.0 (1.17)
Foundation of HRD	14.8 (0.05)	10.6 (0.03)	10.0 (0.03)
Int'l Cooperation of Education	80.1 (0.24)	123.1 (0.37)	116.5 (0.33)

Source: MEST, Overview of Budget and Funds. Operation by Year

Policy & Finance Determination Process of Lifelong Learning

- Schedule & Process

- *March to June: 3 round evaluation process inside of MEST

- *July to August: Evaluation in Min. Of Planning & Finance

- *September to 2nd day December: National Assembly

- Policy Determinants

- *Min. of Planning & Finance, Task Team of Mid- & Long-Term management Planning of National Finance, Presidential Pledge, Comprehensive Long-Term Development Planning of Lifelong Education, Lifelong Education Act, Position of Minister and Vice minister of MEST, evaluation process of Budget inside MEST, Politicians at National Assembly, Recommendation from NILE, Professors working at Lifelong Education Academics, Lifelong Education Practitioners at fields, Press and Broadcasting system, Major or Governor, Needs from local government, Interest Group at Lifelong Education, Citizens

Concept of Lifelong Education in Korea

- Promulgation of Lifelong Education Act in 1999.
- Wholly Revision of Lifelong Education Act in 2008
- Concept of UNESCO: from Cradle to Grave, Ideal & Philosophical Concept
- legal concept , administrative and financial concept : Adult only, Except of Schooling Curriculum, field and Area possible for Administrative and Financial Support from Government
- 6 categories of Lifelong Education in Korea: Diploma Earning Education out of Regular School, Adult Literacy Education, Cultural & Arts Education, Citizen Participatory Education, Humanities & Liberal Arts Education, Vocational Technical Education

- Role Change of local government from educational local government to administrative local government which is responsible for promoting local LE
- 16 metropolitan or provincial boards of education → 16 metropolitan or provincial government, 180 district of education → 228 local district

National(Central)	MEST		NILE
Metropolitan or Province(Middle)	Boards of Education(superintendent, 16)	Metropolitan City or Province(major or governor, 16)	MILE/ PILE
District(Basic)	District office of Education(superintendent of education, 180)	Administrative District(major of district, 228)	Lifelong Learning Center

- NILE was established in 2008
- Central government firstly starts policy to provide financial support to the lifelong learning policy of Metro or Provincial Gov' t in 2011: 456,758USD
- Recognition 82 districts among 228 as lifelong learning cities
- Since 2008 Accounts for Lifelong Learning(ALL) has been implemented. Records, Accumulation, Accreditation of individual learning experiences and Prior Learning, and diploma for elementary and junior secondary school. Completion of non-formal education program, Certificates, Author, Awards, Patents, licenses, volunteer activities
- Reluctance to support to Humanities and Liberal Arts, Hobby Program from Central Government, Favor to HRD and Vocational Technical Education Program
- Focus change: Current Human Capital)→Nurturing Social Capital to be expected in the future

● Policy Issue raising on Aging Society along with Low Fertility

*In 2010, the fertility rate in Korea was 1.24 persons, 3rd lowest rank among 186 countries. Taiwan is the lowest country, 0.09persons.

*The aged people over 65 years old have been increased to 5.4 Mils. Aging rate is 11.3% among total populations in 2010. Also Baby Boomer, 7.1 Mils. 14.6% among total populations, born from 1955 to 1963 began retirement

*According to Korean Statistics, the ratio of supported Elderly will be quickly increased; The ratio of supported elderly 65 year old or higher among 100 supporting young generation aged 15 to 64; 10.1% in 2000, 14.9% in 2010, 21.8% in 2020, 37.7% in 2030, 72.0% in 2050

*Active Aging

Division	Policies
Expansion of LL Opportunity	Policy for Providing Adult Literacy Education(2006-) Policy for Supporting for the Alienated people(2001-) Policy for RHRD(2011-)
Initiation of LL-friendly Environment	Policy for Lifelong Learning Cities Initiatives(2001-2009)(2011-) National Lifelong Learning Festival(2001-) National Lifelong Learning Awards(2004-)
Accreditations of LL Results	Academic Credit Bank System(1998-) National Examination for Bachelor Degree(1992-) Accounts for Lifelong Learning(2008-)
Role Enhancement of Lifelong Educational Institutes	Policy for Revitalization of LE at Higher Education(2008-) Policy for Revitalization of LE centers attached to Higher Education(2008-)
Establishment of Infrastructure supporting Lifelong Education	Establishment of NILE(2008-) Policy for Vitalization of LE at Metropolitan or Provincial Government, Establishment of MILE or PILE(2011-) Establishment of LL Centers at District Government(2008-)