

# UN DESA-KRILA Forum

**Strengthening Public Governance and Accelerating Digital Transformation of Local Government for Emergency Response and Revitalization of Local Economy in the Post-COVID-19 Era**

**7 July 2021**  
**2:00 - 4:30 PM Seoul, GMT+9**

## INVITATION

17 June 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to UN DESA-KRILA Forum on “Strengthening Public Governance and Accelerating Digital Transformation of Local Government for Emergency Response and Revitalization of Local Economy in the Post-COVID-19 Era”, which will be held on 7 July 2021 (2:00-4:30 PM Seoul Time, GMT+9). The Forum is co-organized by the UN Project Office on Governance (UNPOG), an integral part of the Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG) of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), and the Korea Research Institute for Local Administration (KRILA).

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly hampered the progress of implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It underscored the importance of public governance, especially the crucial role of local government as the first responder to implement the emergency response measures on the ground and ensure inclusion and protection of all citizens, including disadvantaged and vulnerable populations. The significant repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, particularly on jobs and loss of income, also call for a more proactive role of local government in revitalizing the economy in the post-COVID-19 era. At the same time, with ICTs and digital technologies at the heart of the COVID-19 response and preparation for the post-COVID-19 era, the pandemic has become the new driver for digital transformation at all levels.

The Forum is organized to provide an opportunity to discuss strategies, approaches and experiences in strengthening public governance and leveraging ICTs and digital government for digital transformation for the resilient, sustainable and inclusive recovery. The Forum also aims to exchange good practices and lessons learned in the emergency response and for better preparation for the post-COVID-19 era.

We hope that the Forum will be a meaningful occasion to share insightful ideas and foster partnerships during this very challenging time.

Yours Sincerely,

**Bokyun Shim**

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UN Project Office on Governance  
Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government  
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**Iljae Kim**

President  
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안녕하십니까.

한국지방행정연구원과 유엔거버넌스센터(UNPOG)가 공동으로 주관하는 UN DESA-KRILA 포럼에 여러분을 초대하게 되어 대단히 기쁘게 생각합니다. 이번 포럼은 '포스트 코로나시대 비상 대응 및 지역경제 활성화를 위한 지방차원의 공공 거버넌스 강화와 디지털 전환 가속화'를 주제로 개최됩니다.

코로나19는 지속가능발전목표(SDGs, Sustainable Development Goals) 달성에 심각한 저해 요소로 작용하였습니다. 공공 거버넌스와 더불어 최일선 현장에서 비상 상황에 대처하고 소외계층과 취약 계층을 포함한 모든 시민의 안전을 보장하는 지방자치단체의 역할이 특히 중요시되고 있습니다.

코로나19가 경제에 미치는 영향, 특히 일자리와 소득 손실로 인해 포스트 코로나 시대 경제 활성화에 있어 무엇보다 지방자치단체의 적극적인 역할이 요구되고 있습니다. 동시에 코로나19 대응과 포스트코로나 시대를 준비함에 있어 그 중심에 ICT와 디지털기술이 있고, 코로나19는 모든 분야에서 디지털 전환을 위한 새로운 동력이 되었습니다.

한국지방행정연구원과 유엔거버넌스센터는 이 포럼을 통해 지속가능한 발전을 위한 공공 거버넌스 강화 및 디지털 전환을 위한 ICT와 전자정부 활용 전략, 접근법, 경험 등을 논의하고, 또한 비상 대응 상황에서의 선진 사례와 교훈을 공유하며 포스트코로나 시대에 더 나은 준비를 할 수 있도록 논의하는 장을 마련하고자 합니다.

아무쪼록 어려운 시기를 함께 극복하기 위해 아이디어를 공유하고 파트너십을 강화하는 의미있는 자리가 되기를 기대합니다.

감사합니다.

**김일재** 한국지방행정연구원 원장

**심보균** 유엔거버넌스센터 원장

## PROGRAM

### OPENING

<b>2:00-2:15 PM</b> (15 mins)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Moderator: Mr. Du-sub Shin</b>, Director General for Planning and Coordination, KRILA</li><li>• <b>Opening Remarks</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr. Bokyun Shim</b>, Head of United Nations Project Office on Governance (UNPOG), DPIDG/UN DESA (3 mins)</li><li>- <b>Mr. Iljae Kim</b>, President, Korea Research Institute for Local Administration (KRILA) (3 mins)</li></ul></li><li>• <b>Keynote Speech</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr. Sun-eun Kim</b>, Chairperson, Presidential Committee on Autonomy and Decentralization, Republic of Korea (8 mins)</li></ul></li></ul>
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### SESSION 1: Strengthening Public Governance of Local Government (KRILA)

<b>2:15-3:15 PM</b> (60 mins)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Moderator: Prof. Pan Suk Kim</b>, Yonsei University</li><li>• <b>Presentation 1: Prof. Dr. Sabine Kuhlmann</b>, Chair, Political Science, Public Administration and Organization, University of Potsdam (10 mins)</li><li>• <b>Presentation 2: Prof. Myung Jae Moon</b>, Dean, College of Social Sciences, Yonsei University (10 mins)</li><li>• <b>Discussant 1: Ms. Erna Irawati</b>, Head of the Center for Government Official's Program and Policy Competency, Lecturer at the School of Administration, National Institute of Public Administration, Indonesia (10 mins)</li><li>• <b>Discussant 2: Mr. HyeonUk Bak</b>, Associate Research Fellow, KRILA (10 mins):</li><li>• <b>Q&amp;A Discussion</b> (20 mins)</li></ul>
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### SESSION 2: Accelerating Digital Transformation of Local Government (UN DESA/DPIDG/UNPOG)

<b>3:15-4:15 PM</b> (60 mins)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Moderator: Ms. Mi Kyoung Park</b>, Governance and Public Administration Officer, UNPOG/DPIDG/UN DESA</li><li>• <b>Presentation 1: Mr. Deniz Susar</b>, Governance and Public Administration Officer, Digital Government Branch, DPIDG/UN DESA (8 mins)</li><li>• <b>Presentation 2: Mr. Sean Audain</b>, City Innovation Lead, Wellington City Council (8 mins)</li><li>• <b>Presentation 3: Dr. Thavisak Manodham</b>, Director General of E-Government Center, Ministry of Technology and Communications, Lao PDR (8 mins)</li><li>• <b>Presentation 4: Ms. Aida C. Yuvienco</b>, Director, Government Digital Transformation Bureau, Department of Information and Communications Technology, Philippines (8 mins)</li><li>• <b>Discussant: Mr. Zaki B. Khoury</b>, Senior Digital Development Specialist, World Bank Group Korea Office (8 mins)</li><li>• <b>Q&amp;A Discussion</b> (20 mins)</li></ul>
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### CLOSING

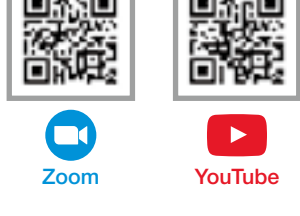
<b>4:15-4:30 PM</b> (15 mins)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Closing Remarks</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr. Iljae Kim</b>, President, Korea Research Institute for Local Administration (KRILA) (3 mins)</li><li>- <b>Mr. Bokyun Shim</b>, Head of United Nations Project Office on Governance (UNPOG), DPIDG/UN DESA (3 mins)</li></ul></li></ul>
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## VENUE

**Join online through Zoom and YouTube**

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