e-Learning Policy in Korea

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1. Market status of e-Learning

■ Overall market size (unit : millions US \$)

| 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 683 | 833 | 1,167 | 1,417 | 2,083 |

- Per Sector annual average Growth rate: Contents(48%), System(37%), Learning Service(11%)
- The number of e-Learning company is about 500

e-Learning in Enterprises

• 10.7% of enterprises adopted e-Learning among the 1,593 enterprises (Enterprises 39.7%, SME 4.7%, Nov. 2002)

■ 16 Cyber Universities

• 87 departments, total enrollment: 23,850

2. Law and Regulation regarding e-Learning

■ K12 Act / High Education Act

- Providing e-Learning contents to K12 classes
- e-Campus Vision 2007(2003-2007, Ministry of Education)

■ Life-long education Act

- Korea Open University applies diverse learning systems and educational programs such as the internet, cable TV, Radio, etc
- Cyber Universities approved by Ministry of Education

■ Vocational Training Promotion Act.

- Internet Communication Training System adopted in 1999
- Promoting to utilize e-Learning in companies

■ Act for HR support of SME(enacted in Sep. 2003)

• Support for e-Learning in SME

2-1. e-Learning Industry development Act

- Definition of e-Learning & e-Learning industry
 - * Prevention of discrimination on e-Learning
- e-Learning Industry Development Committee
 - ▶ Minister of Government Policy Coordination, 8 Vice Ministers, Private experts,
- Supporting for infrastructure of the e-Learning Industry
 - ▶ Supporting for Cultivating of e-Learning specialists
 - ▶ Supporting standards and R&D on e-Learning
- Supporting for utilizing of e-Learning in all sector
 - ▶ Promoting to utilize e-Learning in enterprises
 - ▶ Supporting e-Learning and establishing e-Learning center at local areas
 - ▶ Promoting to adopt e-Learning in public sector for educational training
 - * This act is under discussing in assembly



3. Supporting for e-Learning Industry

■ Standardization

- Korea ISO/IEC JTC1 SC36(April '00, Agency for Technology and Standards) Joined as Plenary member in ISO/IEC JTC1 SC36(Jul. 2002)
- Hosted "8th Plenary Meeting of ISO/IEC JTC1 SC36 (Seoul, Sep. 2003)
- e-Learning standardization forum at a non-governmental level(July. 2003)
 - ▶ Four fields: contents, system, learning environment and research
 - > Specialists in education and business field take part in the forum

R&D

- Roadmap for the development of e-Learning technologies (April. 2003)
- Supporting key technology programs to promote the growth of e-Learning industry

3. Supporting for e-Learning Industry

Nursing e-Learning specialists

- Supporting training in enterprises via 'e-Learning support center'
 - established in May 2003, e-Learning Industry Association
- Supporting departments related to e-learning in colleges
 - revision of curriculum, cooperation with industries

■ Conducting the content quality certification

 70 contents are certified by Korea Association of Cyber Education from may 2002

4. Utilizing e-Learning for HRD

- **■** Government Official Online Academy
 - Offering 21courses based on e-Learning(2003)
- **■** Internet Training Program for worker
 - Trainee: 20,000(1999) \longrightarrow 57,000(2002) / Course: 223(1999) \longrightarrow 2, 985(2002)
- **■** Online Technological Training Center
 - Employee in SMEs, offering 6 courses
- **e-Business Woman Cyber Academy**
 - Women specialists in e-business, offering 2 courses(2003)
- Online Training Center at local Governments
 - Local authorities conduct IT education through on-line

5. Activities for enhancement of e-Learning

- ASEM e-Learning Seminar(Seoul, Oct. 2003)
- **■** Korea e-Learning Industry Conference
 - Seminars, Competition(contents, service), Exhibition, etc
- e-Learning White Paper (Sep. 2003)
 - Status of e-Learning industry, Policies, law and regulation, etc
- e-Learning experience Festival (Oct. 2003)
 - 20 thousands member (entrance fee 4\$)
 - · Formulating friendly environment on e-Learning

6. Agencies related e-Learning

- Korea Education and Research Information Service(www.keris.or.kr)
 - The Act of Korea Education & Research Information System(Jan, 1999)
 - Providing educational services via 'EDUNET'
 - Offering various courses for educators and students how to access ICT
- **■** Korea Association of Cyber Education(April. 2001)
 - Publishing the e-Learning white Paper, Holding various seminars, etc
- **■** Korea e-Learning Industry Association(Sep. 2002)
 - e-Learning standardization forum, e-Learning market Promotion, etc
 - 60 members, www.kelia.org

