2nd Hydrography Day in the Republic of Korea

21 June 2022

The Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Agency (KHOA) held celebrations to mark the 2nd Hydrography Day in the Republic of Korea on 21 June 2022 at the Busan Port International Exhibition & Convention Center, which were also <u>live streamed on YouTube</u>. The 21st of June was designated as the Hydrography Day in the Republic of Korea as a statutory anniversary to promote the importance of hydrography which contributes to maritime safety and the conservation, use and the development of the seas. It is also celebrated as the <u>World Hydrography Day</u> by the International Hydrographic Organization. Opened by <u>Mr Sang Keun Song</u>, Vice-Minister of Oceans and Fisheries, the celebrations saw a participation of around 100 people and this year's theme was "Hydrography into the future".



Mr Sang Keun Song, Vice-Minister of Oceans and Fisheries, addressing the public



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The following side events also took place over two days: display of winners of photography awards on ocean safety; lectures from academia; a celebration in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Hydrographic Society of Korea; and an academic conference attended by approximately 120 people.



Display of winners of photography awards on ocean safety

"The events were meaningful in that they promoted the value and importance of hydrography," said Mr Jaeyoung Byeon, Director General of KHOA. "I hope people will be able to see the value of our seas with unlimited potential and possibility and of hydrography which supports the safety of marine activities."



Academic conference hosted by the Hydrographic Society of Korea