

# Implementation of GPIS System for Global R&D Science and Technology Information Service

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**Abstract Background/Objectives:** Korea's NTIS is a S&T information service, and its export demand is increasing in developing countries due to excellence. In this paper, we developed GPIS to improve user experience of foreign users and introduce NTIS.

**Methods/Statistical analysis:** According to the previous research, it is necessary to have practical experience of NTIS for overseas users as a means of exporting NTIS. The existing NTIS global portal only provides a simple introduction of NTIS. Therefore, in this paper, we implement real working functions of program, project, human resource, and outcome information, which is the core of S&T information service, and build sample data so that overseas users can experience NTIS service.

**Findings:** In this paper, GPIS is developed based on open source. The system language was supported in four languages for foreign users: Russian, Spanish, English and Korean. It is designed to organically link program announcements, project information, human resource information and outcome information. And developed a page that introduces analysis and application technology through science and technology information.

**Improvements/Applications:** The GPIS was designed and developed in order to develop the actual processed scientific data and essential functions to be utilized and understood by overseas users and NTIS developing countries. Therefore, I expect that it will be more helpful to improve the export and awareness of NTIS in Korea.

**Keywords:** Science & Technology Information, Global Science & Technology Information Service, NTIS, NDSL, GPIS

## I. INTRODUCTION

The National Science & Technology Information Service (NTIS), launched in March 2008, is a S&T information service that provides information on national research and development projects, including program, projects, human resource, research facilities. As a technology knowledge information portal, it was developed with the aim of establishing a comprehensive information management system at the national level in order to improve the inefficiency and redundant investment, which appeared in more than 130 research institutes under the individual departments independently promoting and managing research tasks [1-3]. Accordingly, NTIS is conducting an

integrated service that collects information related to science and technology in related organizations and provides them to users in accordance with processing and refining according to 422 information standards. As of October 2017, NTIS has provided about 118.52 million national science and technology information. Among these national R&D information, scholarly original information such as papers, patents, and reports is being provided through the National Digital Science Library (NDSL). NDSL is a science and technology information service platform, providing more than 100 million content search and content search services[4-6].

Due to the excellence of Korea's e-government system and science and technology information service, it is increasing demand for overseas export. According to previous studies, it was suggested that NTIS should be trained or educated for users to learn the merits of NTIS and make the system more familiar to export the information system to overseas [7]. In this paper, we propose a system to build a GPIS (Global Platform for Science and Technology Information Service, hereinafter referred to as "GPIS") system in order to enhance export and experience of S&T information service in Korea. It is designed to be able to learn and learn.

In Korea, S&T information service is managed by NTIS according to institutional linkage and information giant, and original data of scientific information such as thesis is managed by NDSL. However, the foreign countries that are subject to the export of science and technology information services in Korea are the developing countries, so we designed the system to include both NTIS that manages science and technology information and NDSL service that manages scientific and technical information. GPIS has the function to manage business, task, manpower, achievement, status and so on, so that foreign users who want to export NTIS can experience the core service of NTIS and provide sample data of national science and technology information. It was developed to experience actual NTIS service.

The composition of this paper is as follows. In Section 1, we describe the necessity and background of this paper. In Section 2, we discuss the existing research on global science and technology information services, NTIS and NDSL. Section 3 describes the design direction and contents of the system, and Section 4 introduces the GPIS system actually implemented. Section 5 describes the conclusion and future work.

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## II. RELATED RESEARCH

In accordance with the excellence of NTIS, the introduction for overseas users and research for overseas technology transfer were conducted. In Section 2, we describe the current state of services of NDSL and NTIS that should be reflected in the Global Science and Technology Information Service Research and GPIS.

### 2.1. Existing research

According to a study by 'Sharing of National R&D Information through the construction of NTIS Global Portal Service', NTIS has the world's first national R&D portal and high recognition in Korea. But Overseas, they had a lack of publicity and low awareness. As a result, research was conducted to establish a NTIS global portal for the purpose of promoting and introducing overseas [8]. However, in the case of NTIS Global Portal, the information provided by NTIS is limited due to the low rate of nationalization of national R & D information. Figure 1 shows the main screen of the NTIS Global Portal, which was established in 2011, and Figure 2 shows the NTIS Global Portal, which is currently being serviced [9].



Figure 1. NTIS Global Portal Main Screen (2011)

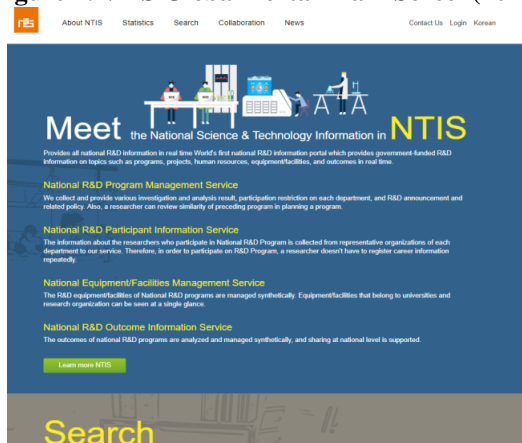


Figure 2. NTIS Global Portal Main Screen (2018, recent)

As of 2018, NTIS Global Portal provides only information

for simple introduction of NTIS through menus such as 'About NTIS', 'Statistics', 'Search', 'Collaboration', and 'NEWS'. The search menu should provide R&D related information, but it provides only limited services according to the ratio of English to scientific information [9].

In addition, according to the thesis, 'A Case Study on International Technology Transfer of Korean Public Information Systems and Recommendations for NTIS' This is a case study on export of SW overseas in Korea such as Korea UNS-PASS of Korea Customs Service (KCS), KONEPS of Public Procurement Service (PPS) and KIPOnet of Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and other. And NTIS has made efforts to export Vietnam, Kazakhstan, and Costa Rica to other countries. Thereafter NTIS technology transfer suggested that information marketing should be done as shown in Table 1 [7].

Table 1 NTIS information Marketing

Aspects of Information Marketing	NTIS Information Marketing
Continuity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishing human network</li> <li>Cooperation with third parties</li> </ul>
subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examining how much national R&amp;D is funded</li> <li>Examining how national R&amp;D is leaded</li> <li>Examining the capacity of operating the system</li> <li>Examining how national ministries operate with others</li> <li>Feasibility Study</li> <li>Ex-post evaluation</li> </ul>
familiarity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conducting research on economical benefit of NTIS</li> <li>Demonstrating detailed methods of how to apply</li> <li>Mutual exchange of work force</li> </ul>

### 2.2. Service Status of NTIS and NDSL

Korea's NTIS service is a national R&D knowledge portal that integrates and provides all information related to national R&D projects (information on 422 national R&D standards in 6 fields of programs, projects, human resources, research facility, equipment and outcome information). Through the NTIS, it is possible to grasp the R & D information of the departments of the ministries and agencies in a transparent and rapid manner. Also, by integrating the national R & D project information, it is possible to improve the efficiency of the national R & D investment by reducing the similar / Contributing. Table 2 shows the R & D information managed by NTIS [1, 10].

Table 2 Status of NTIS data (as of 2017)

Classification	Quantity	Classification	Quantity
All National S&T Information	118.52 million	R&D projects	628,350

Human resources	186,177	R&D outcomes	4,532 thousand
Domestic and foreign papers	77,833 thousand	Domestic and foreign patents	35,081 thousand
Reports	93,404	Policy Trends	82,128
Public R&D projects	3,707	Overseas R&D projects	80,242

Figure 4 is a conceptual diagram of NTIS. As shown in the figure, the target user is a person in charge of planning, evaluating and managing R&D tasks including universities, researchers, and companies for general users and technology development. In order to collect national R&D information, 422 information standards were selected, and information was exchanged with 17 representatives, research institutes, and government-funded research institutes, and the collected information was processed and refined [1, 11].

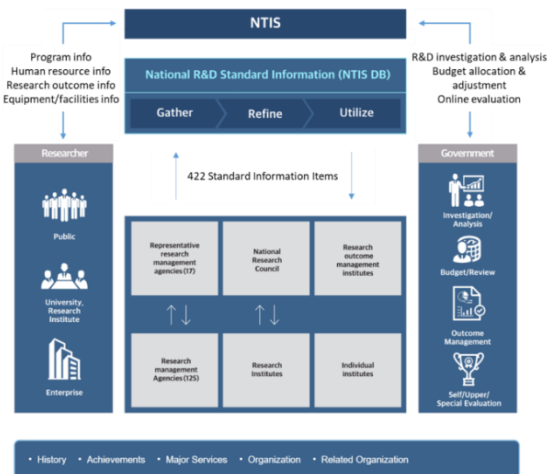


Figure 3. NTIS Conceptual diagram

Table 3 Main content of NDSL (as of 2017)

Category	Description	Quantity
Paper	Domestic/Overseas papers, Domestic dissertation	77,411,289
Patent	Korea Patent / Practical / Design, US Patent Registration, European Patent, Japanese Patent, International Patent, etc.	35,118,688
Report	National R&D report, various analysis reports, etc.	288,183
Trends	Overseas Science and Technology Trends, Science and Technology Policy Trends, Global Trends in Information Services, etc.	27,055
Journal/ Proceeding	Journal/Proceedings Bibliography	Journal : 116,524 Proceeding : 261,967
Researcher/Research Institution	Researcher Information, Research Institution Information	Researcher : 264,715 Researcher Institution: 12,970

### III. SYSTEM DESIGN

The main target country for NTIS 'overseas exports' is developing countries. Currently, NTIS provides more than 20 application functions and services such as analytical cloud, research ecosystem map, and performance information in conjunction with NDSL in conjunction with

Among the information provided by NTIS, S&T original information such as papers, patents, and reports are provided through NDSL linkages. Since 2001, NDSL service has started to support foreign academic journals and procedures needed for all researchers in Korea. Since then, it has provided more than 100 million scientific and technological information and provided high quality information to researchers. It contributes to national science and technology innovation. Table 3 shows the amount of scientific and technical information and information provided [4-6].

the original texts of papers, patents, and reports. Therefore, it is designed to serve core functions rather than introducing all services of NTIS and NDSL. Accordingly, sub-menus were designed based on four major functions such as program/project, human resources, outcome, and statistics. The overall concept of the GPIS is shown in Figure 4.

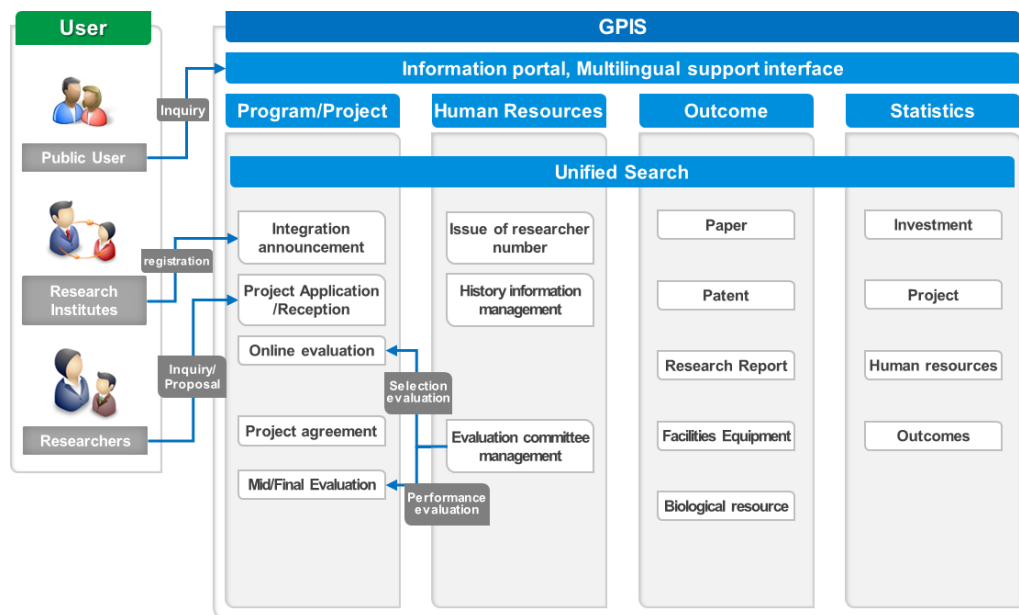


Figure 4. GPIS Whole conceptual diagram

GPIS is based on multi-language support for use by foreign users of various nationalities and languages. Basic languages are English and Korean, and Kazakhstan and Costa Rica are designed to use Russian and Spanish languages. The users

are divided into general user, research institute, researcher, etc., and designed to utilize GPIS and identify the characteristics of NTIS. Table 4 below shows the functional design details of GPIS.

Table 4 functional design

Function Level	1	2	3	1	2	3
detail of function	Information portal	Sign up, Login, Unified Search		Human Resources management info	Researcher registration number issuance, Human search	
	Program management info	Program info, Program announcement			History information management	Basic info, Affiliation, Education, career, Paper, Patent
	Project management info	Project search, Project apply		Outcome info	Paper, Patent, Research report, Facilities equipment, Biological resource	
		selection evaluation	Evaluation committee selection, Evaluation, Approval of evaluation result	Statistics	Investment, Project, Human resources, Outcome	
		Project convention		Analysis	Introduction page including Research ecosystem map, TOD, COMPAS, STAR-Value	
		Final evaluation	Evaluation committee selection, Evaluation	Administrator	Notice, Q&A, Membership management, Common code management	
		Project management		-		

GPIS is designed to enable foreign users to operate and utilize actual functions, which requires data for operation. To do this, NTIS extracts some data, deletes user identification and important information, and makes it possible to operate in GPIS after processing as sample data. We also added a cautionary note to prevent users from misunderstanding the actual data when using these data. Types of sample data are program, project, dissertation, biological resources, research report, patent, human resource, and equipment information.

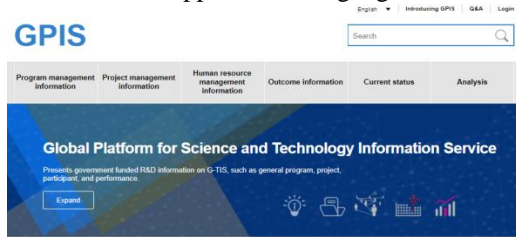
#### IV. IMPLEMENTATION

The main functions of GPIS are program information, project information, human resource information and outcome information. In particular, it contains information and functions for project management, selection of tasks, agreement, management, and final evaluation according to the research task execution process. In the case of the workforce information, the researcher's performance is





implemented through performance information function. Figure 5 is the main screen of the implemented GPIS. In the upper right corner, you can change the language. Each menu is located at the top of the page. This menu made efforts such as large menu size to support each language



#### Announcement on program



#### Notice

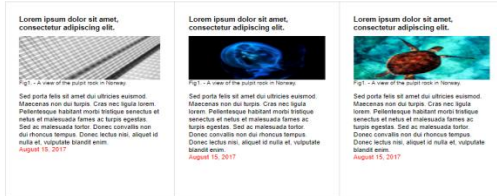


Figure 4.GPIS main screen

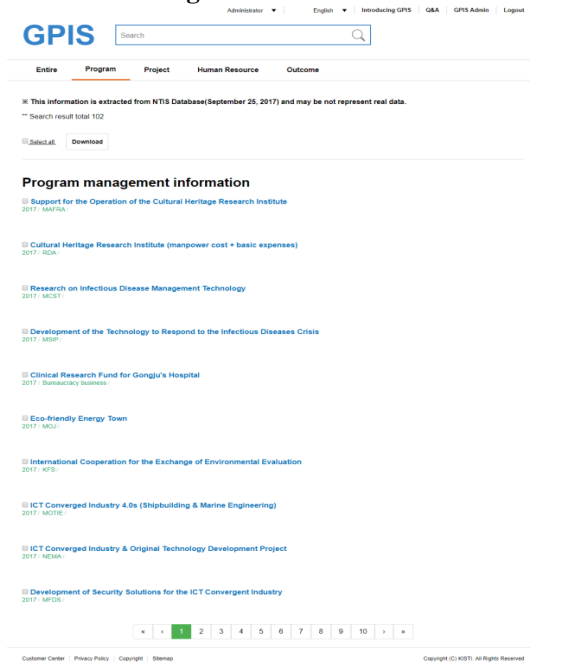


Figure 5.Integrated search result screen

The upper right part of Figure 5 is the integrated search function. When searching, the project information can be integrated or retrieved by each information as shown in Figure 6. In the middle of the main page, program announcements and notice are exposed so that users can check on research projects and special issues. The program announcement and project management functions, which are core functions of GPIS, are linked to the program information at the upper level and the data of the project information. It also provides a linkage between the researcher participating in the project and the outcome of the

human resource so that projects, human resources, and outcomes information are linked and utilized in an organic way.

Figure 7 shows the details of the program announcement, and Figure 8 shows the project information screen. In addition, as shown in Figure 9, it is structured so that it can express and support the step-by-step process of the research project as well as the simple information management.

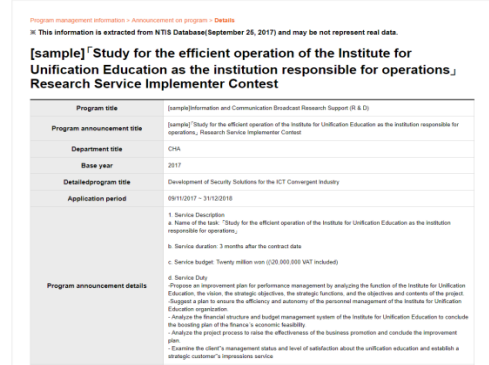
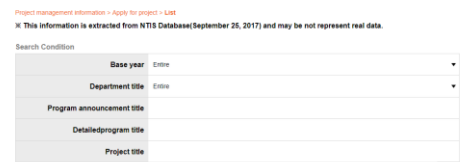


Figure 6.Detail screen of program announcement



#### Apply for project List

No.	Base year	Department title	Program announcement title	Detailed program title	Applied project	Status	Project executing organization
21	2017	NEMA	[sample]Publication: No. 26	ICT Converged Industry 4.0 Original Technology Development Project	[sample]Development of standardized parts for normalized maintenance	Before evaluation	National Institute of Scientific Investigation
20	2017	MAFPA	[sample]Publication: No. 26	ICT Converged Industry 4.0 Original Technology Development Project	[sample]Development of standardized parts for normalized maintenance	Before evaluation	Foundation Korea Nuclear Safety Evaluation

Figure 7 project info screen

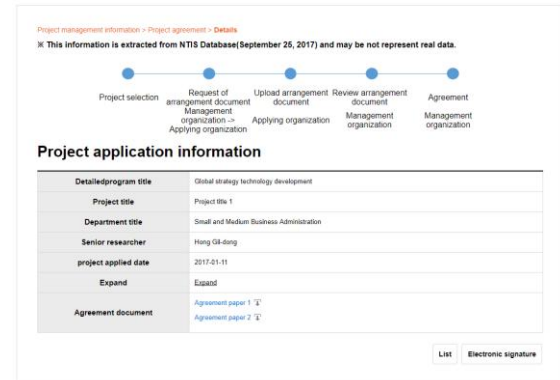


Figure 8.Step-by-step process screen of project

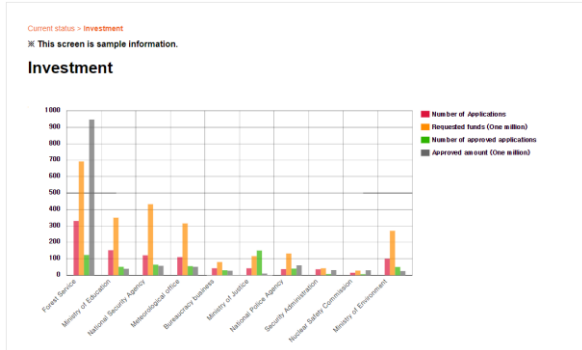


Figure 9.statistic feature

However, since the statistical functions shown in Figure 10 are not actual data, we visualized the sample data simply. In order to guide the application and application method through the research information, the analysis function is a research ecosystem map, TOD (Technology Opportunity Discovery), COMPAS (COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS SERVICE), STAR-VALUE (Science & Technology Information Analysis for R&D-Value), and the implementation of the analysis function is beyond the scope of the GPIS system conceived in this paper [12].

## V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we developed the GPIS system to improve the user experience of NTIS, the S&T information service of Korea, and to improve the user experience of overseas users. In the case of NTIS Global Portal, which is already being serviced, it is focused on simple introduction of NTIS. Therefore, in this paper, we will use GPIS to provide services such as programs, projects, human resources, outcomes. Such user experience for foreign users will help to understand domestic SW, raise awareness and export abroad. In addition, since the core SW such as web, was, DB is developed as open source, there is no problem in installing or distributing sample countries. It will be necessary to increase the number of multilingual support in 4 languages and to add functions for managing the original texts of the achievements, and it will be necessary to improve the users through feedback of actual users.

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