

**Memorandum of Understanding
between the Korea Agency for Technology and Standards
(KATS) and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers
(ASME)**

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to strengthen the relationship between the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and the Korea Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) in order to enhance the ability of KATS and ASME codes and standards to support the needs of the people of Korea, continue economic growth in Korea, aid in the development and use of standards for health and safety, and protection of the environment. This MOU is also intended to enhance both organizations ability to respond to the needs of their stakeholders in support of the commercial nuclear power industry on a global basis.

ASME and KATS establish this MOU in an effort to:

- Facilitate communication between the two organizations;
- Avoid duplication of work efforts where possible;
- Develop knowledge of the codes and standards activities of each organization;
- Draw on ASME's expertise in nuclear standards to further the standards system in Korea;
- Together promote the acceptance and use of ASME Nuclear Codes and Standards and Conformity Assessment programs;
- Explore opportunities for cooperation in Nuclear Codes and Standards, Conformity Assessment, training programs and workshops and conferences.

ASME will endeavor to:

- Encourage participation by KATS experts (Korea ASME Mirror Committee [KAMC] members) on ASME Nuclear Codes & Standards technical committees and subcommittees. Participation is also available through individual membership, contributing membership, the ASME delegate program, and/or other methods of participation. The establishment of additional ASME mirror committees/subcommittees or working groups may also be explored;
- Educate the members/delegates in the operation of the ASME committees and the web based tool, C&S Connect for participation in the ASME standards development process;
- Authorize, as appropriate, KATS to present training courses in Korea as an ASME Authorized Provider in accordance with ASME Training and Development terms and conditions;
- Explore opportunities to jointly sponsor ASME/KATS industry training programs;
- To co-organize appropriate activities such as workshops and conferences, which meet the needs of both ASME and KATS in Korea.

KATS will endeavor to:

- Support KATS experts participating as ASME committee members/delegates by allowing their resources to be used for that purpose;
- Consider utilization of ASME codes and standards by reference where possible as the basis of standards developed by or with the contribution of KATS. Incorporation of specific text of ASME codes and standards, in whole or in part, into Korean standards or translation and reproduction of a particular adopted code or standard by KATS or other organizations in Korea will be permitted only in accordance with ASME terms and conditions under separate agreement.
- Promote the value of ASME nuclear codes and standards and conformity assessment programs to the appropriate regulatory authorities in Korea;
- Implement appropriate training courses as ASME Authorized Provider in accordance with any agreements entered into with ASME Training and Development.
- To co-organize appropriate activities such as workshops and conferences, which meet the needs of both KATS and ASME in Korea.

The terms of this MOU apply only to the extent of available funding by both parties.

Both parties will make every effort to comply with this MOU unless such compliance is in direct conflict with the laws, regulations, or stated government policy of either country. Both parties will make every effort to accept and follow in practice section IX, Decision of the Committee on Principles for the Development of International Standards of Revision 8 (G/TBT/1/Rev.8) announced by the World Trade Organization, Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade May 23, 2002.

Neither party shall use the other's copyrighted materials, logos or trademarks without the prior written permission of the owner of such copyrighted materials, logos or trademarks and will comply with the owner's use policies. KATS shall not acquire under this MOU any ownership right or interest or title in or to any ASME code or standard or the right to obtain or apply for such rights. KATS and other Korean standards and/or regulatory organizations shall be permitted to reference ASME codes and standards in their standards or regulations.

ASME and KATS agree to regularly review this MOU to ensure it meets its stated purpose.

This MOU shall remain in effect unless terminated by either party upon giving 90 days written notice of intention to terminate.

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