### Transparency initiative of GuideStar Korea

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### **GuideStar Korea**

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### 1. The Scope

### NPO is called with different ways in Korean

- Non Profit Organization: NPOs covered by law or not covered
- ✤ Non Governmental Organization(NGO): Civil organization, based on UN
- Public Interest Corporation: Public interest, tax exemption, public announcement of reporting document

\*Source: Financial management guidebook for Non profit organization, Bae wongi, 2011



### 2. Approaches to analyze NPO numbers(2010 year)

- ✤ NPOs covered by law & eligible for Corporation Tax Return: 28,905
- ✤ Voluntary Organizations not covered by law: unavailable

Objective	Numbers	Financial standard
1.Social well-fare	2,830	Yes
2.Education	1,749	Yes
3.Health /Medical	610	Yes
4.Religion	17,958	No
5.Scholarship	3,163	No
6.Arts & Culture	673	No
7.Others	1,922	No
Total	28,905	





### 3. Official data is unavailable to answer the following questions

Number of NPOs at the end of specific year
Number of NPOs established during last 10 years
Percentage of population that has access to a NPOs
Total sum of grants made by community foundation every year
Total sum of the income/donation scale every year
Total sum of assets scale of NPOs

Intermediate conclusion;

26 bodies have own regulations for NPO accreditation/operation
Comprehensive public regulation for NPO are unavailable
Limited statistic prevent from describing number of NPOs



#### 4. Public law concerning transparency of NPOs

Title	Initiating body	Description
Income Act	-Addition of penalty on issuing fake recipe of contribution -Tighten regulation on NPO registered by tax benefit as -New regulation on storage of recipes for donations in 2 -Addition of two penalties on NPO's violation of regulat -Issuing identification number of NPO and new regulation investigation on NPOs in 2008 -Clarification on categories of public interests in 2011	
Inheritance tax and gift tax act	Ministry strategy and Finance	<ul> <li>-Adjustment on types of NPOs(Private association included as tax benefit association) in 2007</li> <li>-Balance sheet and operating statement are included in reporting documents in 2007</li> <li>-Bank account for essential business of NPO is obligation duty in 2008</li> <li>-Public announcement of NPO's reporting documents on National Tax Service's website in 2008</li> <li>-Review on NPO's tax reports by outside tax consultants in 2008</li> <li>-public announcement of NPO's tax reports is obligation duty in 2011(total asset over KRW 500m)</li> </ul>
Act on collecting and spending of donation	Ministry of public administrative and security	<ul> <li>Policy change on registration of NPO from request/approval to application)</li> <li>Prohibition clause on solicit tenaciously for contributions</li> <li>Adjustment clause on expenses of raising contributions</li> <li>Policy on submission of compulsary audit report for NPOs</li> </ul>

\*Source: Improve recognition and transparency in sharing activities, Kyung seo park, 2011



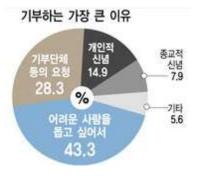


### Public announcement of NPO's Reporting documents

Initiating body	National Tax Service
Date of adoption	2008
Area covered	Social well-fare, Education, Health/Medical, Religion, Scholarship, Arts & Culture and Others
Web address	http://www.nts.go.kr
Description	<ul> <li>The public regulation concerning NPOs transparency</li> <li>-6,094 NPOs disclose information (As of Dec.9, 2011)</li> <li>-Redundancy occurred</li> <li>-Required to total asset 1 billion</li> <li>-Balance sheet, Income statement, Fundraising bill of expenditure, Statement of governance etc.</li> </ul>

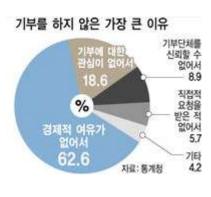


#### **<u>1. Increasing interest in Transparency by donor</u>**



### \*Main giving reasons

- -Motivation from philanthropy(43.3%)
- -Recommendation from charity(28.3%)
- -Private belief(14.9%)
- -Religious reason(7.9%)
- -Others(5.6%)

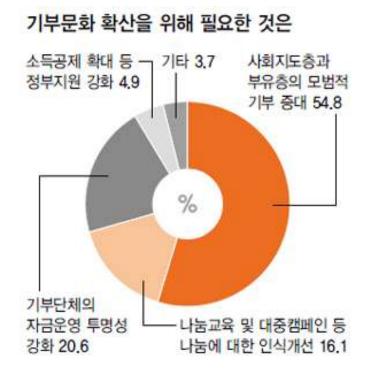


### \*Main non-giving reasons

- -Unaffordable to giving others(62.6%)
- -Less interests in giving(18.6%)
- -Lack of trust(8.9%)
- -No giving experience(5.7%)
- -Others(4.2%)



\*Source: survey of giving culture, statistics Korea, 2011

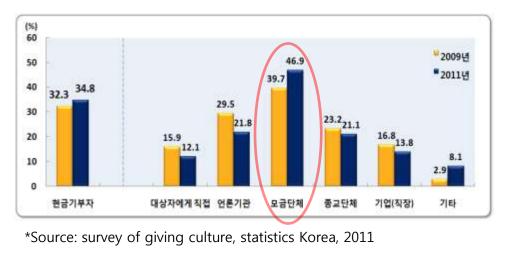


### \* <u>Requirements for giving culture</u>

- -Noblesse oblige(54.8%) -Financial Transparency of NPO(20.6%)
- -Opportunities of giving education, public campaign etc.(16.1%)
- -Tax beneficiary & giving friendly environment(4.9%)
- -Others(3.7%)



### 2. Increasing demands on Transparency by NPO



### Giving Routes(2011)

-Charity (12.1%) -Media: ex.ARS giving(21.8%) -Community Foundation(46.9%) -Religious organization(21.1%) -Corporation/Company (13.8%) -Others(8.1%)

### More the public wants to know;

Vision and mission statement, code of ethics, conflict of interest policy, audited financial statement, information on program, annul report & regular report on accomplishments, information on accreditation, list of board member and office and staff, list of contributor

Information disclosure is becoming more inevitable part of NPOs operation. on the GuideStar website is one of best way conducting NPOs self-regulation



### 3. NPO transparency: Disclosure of information to the public

### **Beyond scale of assets**

**Obligation of NPOs to publish data about NPOs operation;** 

-Organizational data -Financials data -Programatic data

#### An NPO is transparent ;

Open its information to the public such as donor, politician, government, funder, and other beneficiaries.

#### Transparency through information disclosure;

Is toward more of increasing NPO's accountability of its goal, objectives and activities



### 4. Accountability: self- assessment

✤Comprehensive standard for NPO accountability had not yet been developed. Settle the initiating type, recommend to do self-assessment



**Information disclosure** 



### 5. Case study: Kids & Future Foundation

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### Welcome

#### Kids&Future (K&F)

Global Partner of IYF (International Youth Foundation) Certified by IYF for financial transparency and expertise in project operation.

We would like to express our deepest appreciation for your dedication and love K&F promises again to support kids and youth in the best of our ability and to continue providing transparent information to donors.

Internal control	1.Board of director	
	2.Ethic code/guideline	
	3.Self assessment tool	
	4 guideline of financial management	
External	5.Financial Audit	
Control	6.Report to officials	
Information disclosure	7.National Tax Service	
	8.GuideStar Korea	
	9.Annual report	
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### 1.History

2004 First contact with GuideStar USA

**2005** Strategic tie with International GuideStar The 1<sup>st</sup> GuideStar alliance's annual assembly participation

- 2006 Advocacy to Korean government Execution committee with 7 organizations(Community Chest of Korea) Signed MOU with Guidestar Alliance
  2007 Inaugural meeting for the GuideStar Korea Foundation Open website and introduce Civil Society Information System
- **2008** Corporate with the Ministry of Finance and Economy; raising importance of NPO's Transparency Registered by the Ministry of Finance and Economy

**2010** hold public hearing on amending NPO information disclosure form, Launch updated Civil Society Information System on the website



### 2. International coorperation with GuideStar alliance

The 2rd GuideStar

(Sep. 2007, London)

International Assembly





'Social meaning and role on financial disclosure of NPO' seminar with GuideStar International (June 2008, Seoul)

GuideStar International visit to GSK (Oct. 2009, Seoul)



'International conference on NPO accountability 2010' with Taiwan NPO Self-**Regulation Alliance** (Nov. 2010, Taipei)

Techsoup global Meeting (Apr. 2011, Seoul)





GSK visit to GuideStar USA toward mutual cooperations (Oct. 2010, Virginia)

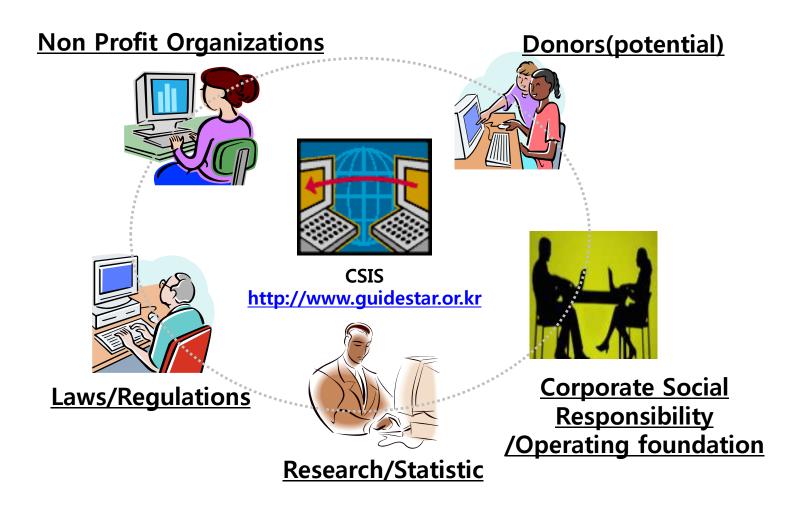


'1st International conference on sharing' with GuideStar USA (Jun.2011, Seoul)

### 3. Organization

Board of director	
The Korean Institute of Certified Public Accountants	Chairman
The Korea Chamber of Commerce & Industry	Board of Standing Committee
The Federation of Korean Industries	CEO
World Vision	
Yonsei University	Executive Director
PricewaterhouseCoopers Korea	
The Construction Association of Korea	Plan & Technical Research & International Management Support Survey Cooperation
Deloitte Korea	
Kids & Future Foundation	

### 4. Mechanism of Civil Society Information System by User



### 5. Mechanism of CSIS by data accumulation

National Tax Service (tax exempt status) Approximately over 6,000 NPOs in 2010
NPOs covered by tax law
Start to 2012 by the new law

Self-reported from Non Profits Org.

Over 1,972 NPOs in the CSISMost of NPOs are voluntary organizations

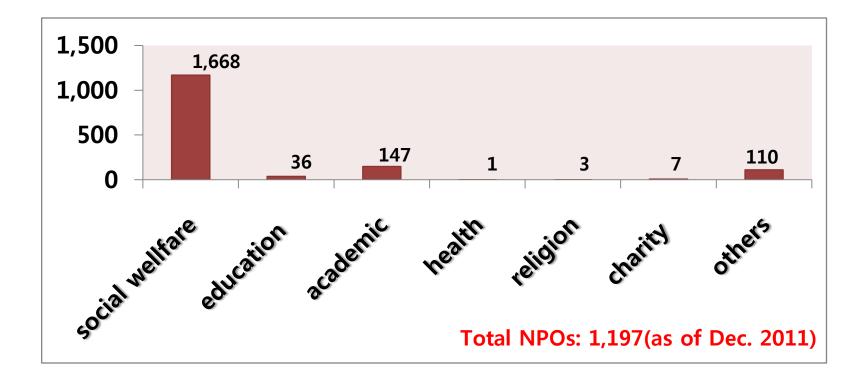
Local Gov./other's Accreditations

Expect to corporate with local governments/ large sized community foundations

Accumulation of database will be basic activity in 2012



### 6. Analysis of number of NPOs on CSIS



### 7. Achievements

- ✤ NPO's Information sharing through the F10-NPO
- ✤ 'Statistic & Research' using accumulated data in CSIS
- Education Program
   Increasing NPO's operational competency & ability 'NPO's financial management course(online/offline)'
- Conference & Seminar
   :purpose to develop a culture of transparency & accountability
- ✤ Partnership with abroad civil sector
- Partnership with government

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## How GuideStar impact on ?

The new act will be added to the inheritance tax act and gift tax act;

"Chief of National Tax Service can provide NPO's financial documents on the National Tax Service website with one of the NPOs designated by the president of Republic of Korea"

<purpose> to improve NPO's transparency as a principle of self-regulation
<enact period> from 2013 1.1

### So, we expect to answer the following questions

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