

# **Key Economic Indicators**

4<sub>th</sub>

Current Account Balance

USD 98.7 B (2016)

**9**th

Foreign Exchange Reserves

USD 389.3 B (2017)

**11**<sub>th</sub>

GDP

USD 1.53 T (2017)

9<sub>th</sub>

No. of Listed Companies

2,059 (2016)

\*Source: IMF, KITA, BOK, Korea Exchange

**Trade** 

**Volume** 

USD 1.05 T

(2017)





Korea's Economy **Export Growth** \$ **573.9** B 2017 \$ 371.5 B 2007 \$ 144.1 B World's 6th 1997 **Largest Exporter** 

\*Source: KITA (2017)



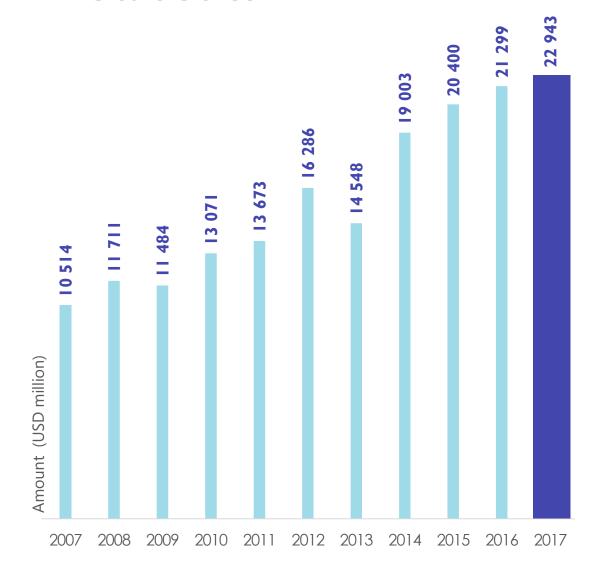
# **Stable Credit Rating**



\*Source: MOSF (as of October 2017)



## **FDI Statistics**





\*Source: MOTIE (based on declared amount)



FDI in Korea Foreign-invested Companies in Korea 17,822 3,542 1,678 1990 1997 2017 \*Source: KOTRA (2017) kotra Invest Kore A

# Foreign-invested Companies in Korea

223 of 500

companies invested in Korea





























Major	
Industria	

Financials	52
Motor Vehicles & Parts	27
Energy	24
Technology	23
Health Care	11
F&B, Tobacco	10
Wholesale	9

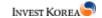
Tele-Communications	9
Materials	8
Chemicals	8
Industrials	8
Transportation	8
Hotels, Restaurant & Leisure	5
Retail	5

\*Source: Fortune, Invest KOREA (2015)

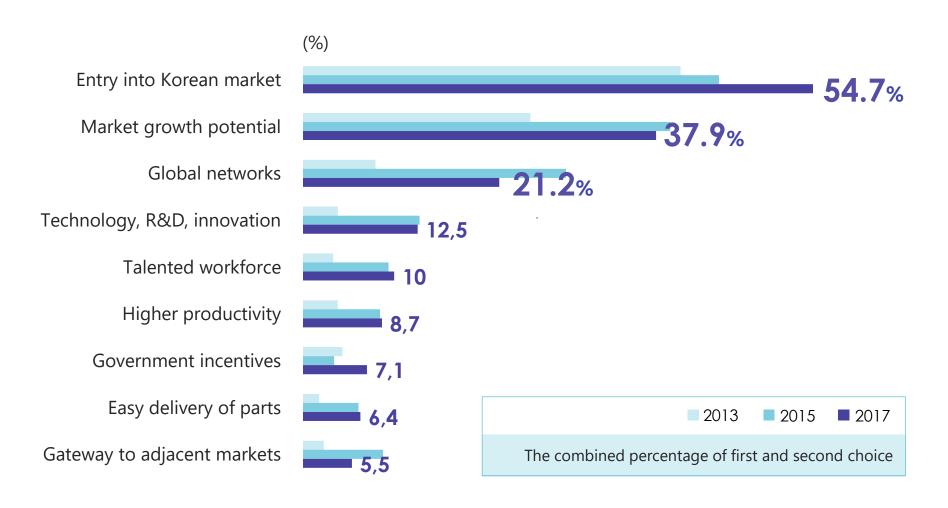
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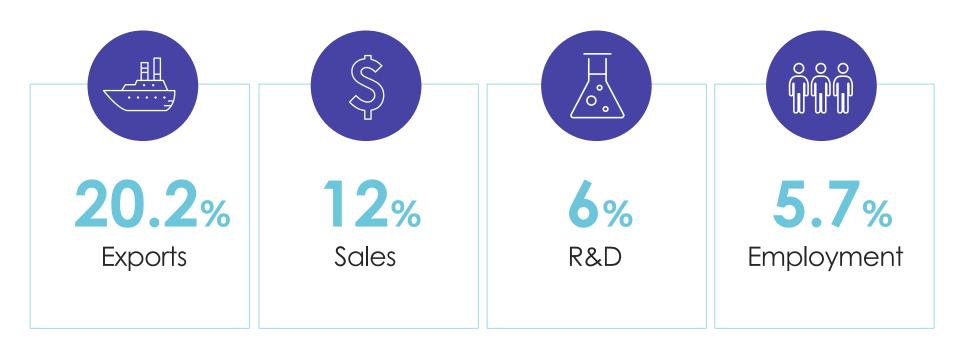
## Reasons for Investing in Korea



\*Source: Invest KOREA (March 2018)



### **Economic Contribution of Foreign-invested Companies** (16)







# **ICT Development**

#### **ICT Development Index**

#1	celand	1st
	Korea	2nd ('17) 1st ('10, '15, '16)
	Switzerland	3rd
	Denmark	4th
	JK	5th
<ul><li>J</li></ul>	lapan	10th
	Germany	12th
ر ا	JS	16th
<b>(:</b> :	Singapore	18th
*	China	80th

#### **ICT Products Exports** ('16)

	(USD billion)
China	469.34
US	140.34
Taiwan	120.60
Singapore	110.95
Korea	\$ 110.33 B
Germany	62.44
Japan ———	53.62



## **Korean Companies in Fortune Global 500**





# **Strategic Location in Northeast Asia**

# Korea Zone Cities within 3 hours by plane

Cities with a population of > 1 million





\*Source: Citymayors statistics, distancecalcultor.net

**CHINA** Large market



Test-bed market



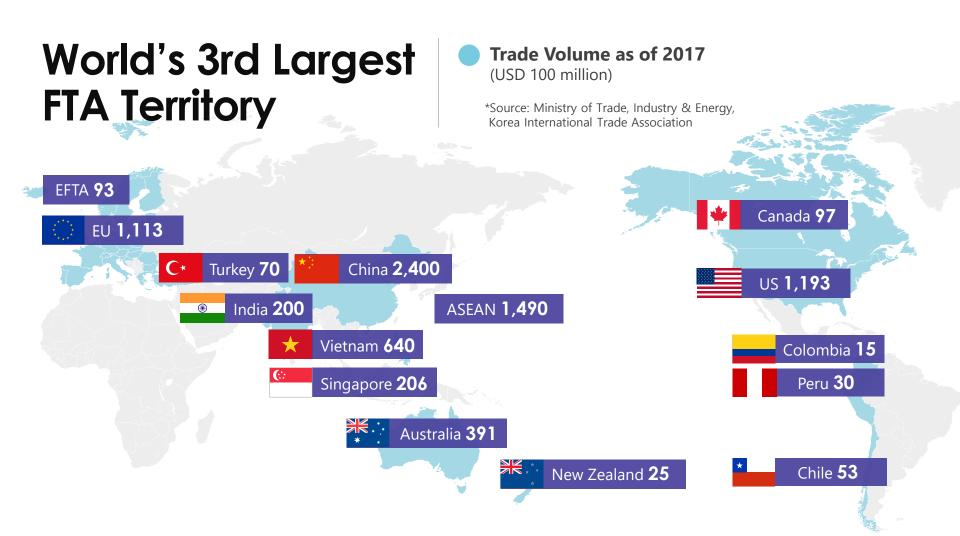


## **Domestic Market**





## FTA with 52 countries







## **FTA Hub**











## **No.1 Mobile Environment**

#### **Average Connection Speed**

1<sub>st</sub>

28.6Mbps

\*Source: Akamai (2017)

#### **Average Mobile Speed**

2nd

45.9Mbps

\*Source: OpenSignal (2017)



#### **Smartphone Penetration**

4th

71.5%

\*Source: Newzoo (2017)

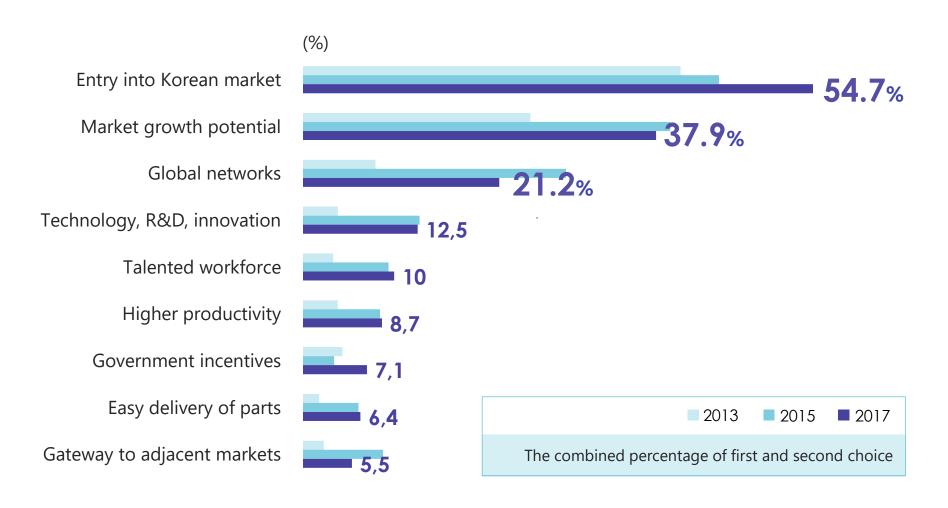
#### **4G LTE Penetration**

1st **96%** 

7 0 70

\*Source: OpenSignal (2017)

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## **Incentives for FDI**

		Investment Qualifications	Incentives
High-tech Business		<ul> <li>Contribute significantly to domestic economy and technology</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Income, corporate tax:</li> </ul>
Tax Reduction  Foreign Investment Zone  Free Economic Zone	Investment	Individual type  Manufacturing: min. \$30M  Tourism & Resort, International convention: min. \$20M  Logistics: min. \$10M  R&D center: min. \$2M & min. 10 researchers	<ul> <li>100% for 5 years, 50% for 2 years after that</li> <li>Local tax: 100% for 15 years</li> <li>Customs: 100% for 5 years</li> </ul>
	Complex type  Manufacturing: min. \$10M  Logistics: min. \$5M	<ul> <li>Income, corporate tax: 100% for 3 years, 50% for 2 years</li> </ul>	
	Economic	<ul> <li>Manufacturing, Tourism &amp; Resort, International convention: min. \$10M</li> <li>Logistics, Medical institutions: min. \$5M</li> <li>R&amp;D center: min. \$1M &amp; min. 10 researchers</li> </ul>	after that  Local tax: 100% for 15 years  Customs: 100% for 5 years
Land Support		<ul><li>More than 30% of foreign investors' stock rate</li></ul>	<ul><li>Reduction of rent fee</li><li>Support for infrastructure</li></ul>
Cash Grant		<ul> <li>More than 30% of foreign investors' stock rate</li> <li>Manufacturing: Parts &amp; materials specialty or hightech business</li> <li>R&amp;D center: New R&amp;D facilities and min. 5 researchers</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Negotiable</li></ul>

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