

YEOSU

2026  
WORLD ISLAND  
EXHIBITION YEOSU KOREA

September 5 - November 4, 2026







REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Jeollanam-do

YEOSU



# YEosu

**L**ocated in the center of the south coast of Korea, Yeosu is a beautiful city with 365 islands and a total 1,022km coastline. It is also a city of culture where history, culture, and art have been transmitted to generations ceaselessly.

A vibrant economic city where the national industrial complex drives the national energy industry with new and renewable industries such as hydrogen and wind power that make GRDP up to 19 billion USD(25.7 trillion KRW), it is also a city of MICE industry that over 1,300 conferences and events are held annually.

Containing splendid coastal landscapes with Hallryo Marine National Park and Archipelago Marine National Park and luxurious hospitality services in accommodation, food, and transportation, it is well-known for marine tourism.

As the host city of Expo 2012 Yeosu Korea, Yeosu is now ready to hold a brand-new international exhibition with the island as the theme. The exhibition will provide global leadership that discusses the challenges to the survival of mankind such as the governance of islands, climate change, and the impact on the environment, and finds the solutions for each challenge.





# 2026 World Island Exhibition

Theme

**Islands, Connecting the Ocean and the Future**

Period

**September 5 - November 4, 2026**

Expected  
Visitors

3 million people

Expected  
Participants

30 countries

Hosted by



**JeollaNamdo**



**YEOSU CITY**

Organized by

The Organizing Committee for the 2026 World Island Exhibition Yeosu Korea

Main Events

Island Themed Pavilion / International Pavilion /  
Sub-Themed Pavilions (Island Future, Island Culture, Island Ecology) /  
Conference & Symposium / National Special Days / Experience /  
Healing Island Tour, etc.





# INVITATION

## 2026 World Island Exhibition

- is an international event, which will be held in Yeosu,  
a city known for its international marine tourism.

People from all around the world will delve into the culture of the islands.  
Various countries will share the knowledge of development phase  
of island related industries.

Knowledge exchange at the international level will promote  
sustainable marine environment of the islands and an effective usage  
of the ocean, considering the following factors: preservation  
of islands' ecology and marine resources, historical and cultural values.

**We invite you to join the 2026 World Island Exhibition  
in Yeosu, South Korea, which will promise the future of the islands  
with a climate change response and advancement of life in the islands.**

## **The effect** of 2026 World Island Exhibition



Rediscovering the value of islands and building public consensus



Establishing the foundation of new growth power for the islands



Utilizing abundant island resources and activating island tourism



Leading the policies for islands and their efficiency

In 2026, the islands of Yeosu will be beyond 'the islands to go' to be 'the islands to live'.

### YEJADO

The island of red sky on the sunset Yeojado Island

### G geomundo

Heavenly-blessed, god's-given dazzling views Geomundo Island

### BAEKDO

Scenic spot in Baekdo Island (no.7 national treasures)







### JANGDO



The art island  
**Jangdo Island**

### NANGDO



The Island of romance  
**Nangdo Island**

### SADO



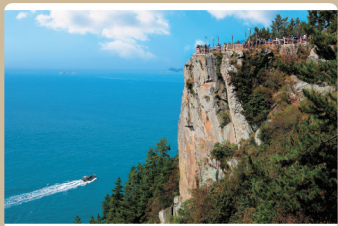
Korea's Miracle of Moses with  
the trace of dinosaurs  
**Sado Island**

### HAHWADO



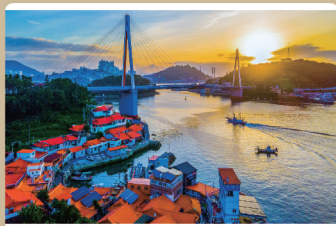
The flower island for backpacking  
**Hahwado Island**

### GEUMODO



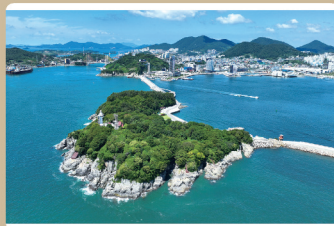
Walking along the coastal cliff  
**Geumodo Island**

### DOLSANDO



The biggest in Yeosu and  
the 10th biggest islands in Korea  
**Dolsando Island**

### ODONGDO



Selected as Korea's one of 100  
most beautiful roads  
**Odongdo Island**



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