



# standICT.eu 2026

ICT Standardisation Observatory and Support Facility in Europe

Geopolitics of ICT Standardisation with  
a focus on the Republic of Korea

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## Principal Objective

## Strengthen global reach within the European ICT Standardisation Ecosystem

EXECUTION

Fellowship Programme with € 2,925,000 funding earmarked over 36 months with 9 Open Calls

EUOS (EU Observatory for ICT Standardisation) and Technical Working Groups (TWGs) empowering contributions from ICT standardisation experts

Create an engaging & influential Forum on EU Strategy for ICT standards (FOREST) to address key sensitive issues in ICT standardisation

Train the next generation of ICT standardisation experts, engaging with National Standardisation Bodies & PPPs

Ensure hi-level steering of StandICT.eu 2026 by means of an authoritative Expert Group (the EAG) who tap directly into the WGs & TCs of SDOs, tackling EU priorities, challenges & gaps

# Key-Achievements of StandICT.eu 2026



## OPEN CALLS

8 Open calls Launched & Completed  
1 Final Open Call to be launched.

## GRANTS PLATFORM

Functional **Grants Platform** for applications & evaluation process  
69 contractualised Expert evaluators

## WEBINARS

18 Webinars on topical subjects including 3 dedicated to **Women**, a completed series of events on **Open Source** and standardisation (OFE Lounge Series), and a **Human Rights & Standardisation**, and a series dedicated to the **Geopolitics of Standardisation**

## EXTERNAL EVENTS

Participation to 16 third-party events and meetings

## MOUs

28 signed MoUs  
(11 New Memorandum of Understanding signed with relevant players - 17 ongoing from past editions)



## REPOSITORY

EUOS Standards Repository  
continuous update 2851  
standards currently uploaded

## LANDSCAPE ANALYSES

10+ EUOS TWG on key ICT domains to work on dedicated Landscape & Gap Analysis 3  
Landscape Reports already completed!

## GAP ANALYSES

2 reports on **Standardisation gaps in IoT and edge computing** released



6 Training modules in the revamped Standards Academy Page, 3 **Leadership Skills workshop with SMEs**, 8 Standards Academy **webinars**

## COMMUNITY

1,064 Newsletter subscribers  
2,155 LinkedIn Followers  
1,199 Twitter Followers  
4,418 Total Community Members

## DISSEMINATION OUTPUTS

16 Videos  
16 Newsletters  
33 Zenodo publications  
18 Press releases

## EAG

10 Active Expert Advisory Group (EAG) members from SDOs & Industry

## IMPACT

8 **Success stories** released to feature the concrete outputs of fellows and standardisation experts more widely  
1 **Policy report**  
1 Report with **standardisation guidelines** for project proposals  
1 report with recommendations for **Human Rights considerations in ICT Standardisation**



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We value our  
community's insights



**CONTRIBUTE BY 30 APRIL**

<https://standict.eu/sustainability-consultation-2026>

# Supporting the implementation of the Digital Partnerships and the EU-US TTC through international common ICT Standards

## Geographical scope



## Technological scope



## Key actions

- Common vision & roadmap with like-minded partners to promote ICT standards in the target foundational technologies internationally
- Effective stakeholder engagement across existing and new communities
- Studies and analyses on ICT standardisation in key HE technologies
- Monitoring effective implementation of trade agreements.

## Consortium

- **BluSpecs (coordinator)**, Fraunhofer, Fortiss, AIOTI, Trialog, TU Delft, Trust-IT, COMMpla, NCSRd, AIT

**Start:** January 2024

**End:** June 2026

**Budget:** €1,500,000

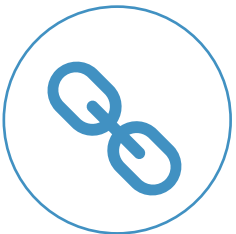
Learn more [here](#).

# Webinar Housekeeping



The event will be recorded and will be made available on the StandICT.eu and INSTAR website within the next week

We do encourage you though to enter any question in the dedicated Q/A box placed in the lower toolbar. The speakers will be pleased to answer back your questions real-time



You can follow the chat to be informed and receive link on the main outputs and publications.

- **9:00 Intro into standardisation and geopolitics with a focus on technological sovereignty**  
*Knut Blind (Fraunhofer ISI & TU Berlin)*  
*Kihun KIM (TTA)*
- **9:15 Strategic plan of ICT standardisation**  
*Kyoung Seok Oh /TTA*
- **9.45 Implications of the geopolitical competition between China and the U.S./EU for the Republic of Korea**  
*Mi-jin Kim, Yonsei University*
- **10.15 Discussion moderated by Knut Blind**
- **10:30 Conclusion**  
*Knut Blind (Fraunhofer ISI & TU Berlin)*





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