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Professor Joon Ha Kim appointed as a member of the Presidential Commission on National Water Management

- GIST (Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, President Kiseon Kim) School of Earth Sciences and Environmental Engineering Professor Joon Ha Kim was appointed as a member of the Presidential Commission on National Water Management (Co-chair Prime Minister Sye-kyun Chung and Civil Affairs Commission Chair Jae-young Huh) and will serve a term of three years.
 - The National Water Management Committee was launched on August 27, 2019, in accordance with the 'Basic Water Management Act' enacted in 2018, and has played a pivotal role in water management, such as establishing a basic national water management plan and resolving water disputes. At the time of its inauguration, the Prime Minister and Chungnam Provincial University President Jae-young Huh were co-chairs of the committee, which consisted of 39 members, including 15 members from government and public organizations and 24 members from the private sector. This time, seven new members, including Professor Joon Ha Kim, will be newly appointed, and a total of 48 members will be divided into three subcommittees for planning, water dispute mediation, and policy to review the establishment of a basic national water management plan, water basin plans, and the enactment and amendment of water-related laws.

- Professor Joon Ha Kim was appointed as a member in recognition of his experience as the head of the water quality investigation team of the Four Major Rivers Research/Evaluation Committee of the Office for Government Policy Coordination and as the head of the component material localization division of the seawater desalination plant business group of the Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs along with his expertise in water management and the water industry.
 - Professor Joon Ha Kim said, "Based on my extensive experience in the field, I will do my best to prepare policies that the public can sympathize with to manage water systematically."

- Professor Joon Ha Kim, who is currently a member of the National Achievement Division of the Presidential Committee on Policy Planning, was appointed as a professor at GIST in 2004, has actively participated in research projects of various water-related ministries, including the Ministry of Science and ICT, the Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, and he has built expertise in water environment research over the past decades. He currently serves as a board member of many academic societies, including the Korean Society of Environmental Engineering and the Korea Water Environment Association, and is doing his best to foster human resources in the water management and the water industry.

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