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#### **Press Release**

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#### FINANCIAL POLICY AGENDA FOR 2013

The FSC set three missions for 2013 with nine specific policy tasks.

VISION

#### A New Era of Hope

**MISSION** 

**TASK** 

#### Creative Finance

# 1. Create a virtuous cycle of capital among entrepreneurs & investors

- Provide a nurturing environment for start-up businesses
- Attract more venture capital for SME M&As
- Support failed entrepreneurs to restart their business

### 2. Reform policy finance system

- Reestablish the role of policy finance
- Strengthen support for start-up & tech businesses
- Support innovative technology to turn into creative business

# 3. Promote the financial industry as the next growth driver

- Expand Korea's financial system, infrastructure & expertise overseas
- Ensure financial stability of retirees
- Enhance global competitiveness of Korea's capital markets

INTRA-GOV'T COOPERATION

Facilitate financing of innovative industries

#### Financial Inclusion

# 4. Manage household debt growth / Establish the "Happiness" Fund

- Properly manage household debt growth & structure
- Assist debt restructuring for the "house-poor"
- Establish the National Happiness Fund" for debt relief programs

### 5. Strengthen financial consumer protection

- Strengthen protection of financial consumers' rights & interests
- Enhance financial service's safety
- Abolish unfair financial practices

# 6. Ensure safety of electronic financial transactions

- Prevent computer network failure for efinance
- Strengthen safety of electronic financial transactions
- Prevent new types of financial fraud including phishing

Strengthen a link between credit recovery of individuals and support for job seekers & business owners

#### Solid Financial System

### 7. Facilitate corporate financing for businesses

- Promote corporate restructuring
- Pursue balanced growth of corporate bond market

## 8. Improve corporate governance of financial institutions

- Improve corporate governance
- Expand eligibility test for majority shareholders to all financial sectors
- Ensure the separation of capital between financial and non-financial sectors

### 9. Abolish unfair financial practices

- Eradicate stock price manipulations
- Strengthen protection for retail investors
- Prohibit unfair financial transactions

Bring transparency to the "black economy"



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# Three Missions for 2013: Creative Finance, Financial Inclusion, & Solid Financial System



### "Creative Finance" to create more job opportunities

- Abolish the practice of joint liability on guarantee in the non-banking sector
- Attract more venture capital to M&A market
- Expand Korea's financial IT infrastructure overseas

# "Financial Inclusion" to ensure financial consumers' happiness and safety

- Assist debt restructuring for the "house-poor"
- Expand low-income households' access to micro-finance services
- Establish Financial Consumer Protection Act
- Prevent network failure to ensure safety of e-finance

# "Solid Financial System" to ensure fairness & transparency and to prevent financial crises

- Activate corporate financing for businesses
- Expand eligibility test for majority shareholders into all financial sectors
- Establish comprehensive measures to eradicate stock market manipulations

#### ■ Tasks for collaboration among government institutions

- 1. Bring transparency to the "black economy" (Ministry of Finance and Strategy, National Tax Agency)
- 2. Strengthen a link between the credit recovery program and the support programs for job seekers & biz owners (Ministry of Employment and Labor, Small and Medium Business Administration)
- 3. Facilitate funding for innovative industries
  (Ministry of Science, ICT and Future Planning, Ministry of Health and Welfare)

