Our march toward the creation of a Geopark in the Incheon Area.

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The Backryeong island, including other small islands is one of the aspiring candidates underway their march toward the Korea Geoparks Network (KGN) having six members of national geoparks so far.

It has numerous interesting geological features evaluated as top rankings on the national assessment systems. Other natural and cultural aspects are ample enough to be an excellent background for the geopark. Though five natural monuments, such as kaleidoscopic colored beautiful rounded gravels and one breathtaking National Scenic Site are enough to have the qualification as a national geopark, there are much more stories to be mentioned.

As the island is now seeking the way of pursuing the sustainable development goal, the Mayor of the Incheon Metropolitan City (IMC) announced the plan of creating the geopark a couple years ago. As the IMC harbors the Incheon International Airport, the national entrance gateway to Korea, we want our land to be in a front line in the activities of the geopark.

We want to share the experience of overcoming the access handicaps of four hours long trip to the island. Although we have just started their journey to go for the sustainable development using the geological heritages, our quest will be rewarded by the increased visitors and local sustainable development.