

Korea telecom to help Ghana fight epidemic diseases

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South Korea's largest telecommunications company, KT Corporation has signed a historic deal with Ghana to fight epidemics in Africa and other parts of the world with the company's innovative technology.

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KT's disease prevention system analyzes location-based information including roaming data that it collects, uses the data to guide its customers on preventing epidemics, and builds a monitoring system that helps health authorities assess infection risk at the initial stage of an outbreak.

Based on the project's success, KT is seeking collaboration with foreign governments and international organizations on the use of Big Data and information technology in preventing the spread of infectious diseases.