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Setting the Scene

- 10-minute presentation on a three-year project: Implementing Al-Based Knowledge Platform to Facilitate
 Consumer Complaint Management and Increase Work Efficiency
- Led by Digital Strategy Team, KCA
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Today's presentation

- Introduction
 - Background
 - Brief Introduction of AI-Based Knowledge Platform
- Challenges and efforts to tackle the obstacles
- Going forward

Introduction

What drives our institution to implement digital technology to our work process and what have we come up with?

Increased demand for digitalization: External factor

- Government policy directed towards the establishment of electronic, digital government
 - Korea e-Government Master Plan (2016), Digital Platform Government Implementation Plan (2023)
 - E.g. Transitioning administrative systems, introducing electronic signatures and mobile IDs, data sharing across government, public data disclosure, etc.
- The shift in consumer complaint reception channels from phone calls to online interfaces

Increased demand for digitalization: Internal factor

- Lack of custom information that can be provided to consumers who have simple inquiries or seek general information
- Time-consuming information collection and identity verification process
- Discrepancies between each agent's access to case data and knowledge required to handle complaints
- Increased demand for administrative automation

Al-Based Knowledge Platform

- Full name:
 AI-Based Knowledge Platform to Facilitate Consumer Complaint
 Management and Increase Work Efficiency
- The Platform connotes the entire system, including database, models and tools, designed to accelerate the speed and increase efficiency of consumer administration at KCA

Al-Based Knowledge Platform

PHASE I (2022)

- Introduction of online chat counseling service
- Establishment of the foundation for knowledge collection
- Integration of ODR system

PHASE II (2023)

- Development of Chatbot system
- Establishment of Knowledge DB
- ODR system upgrade

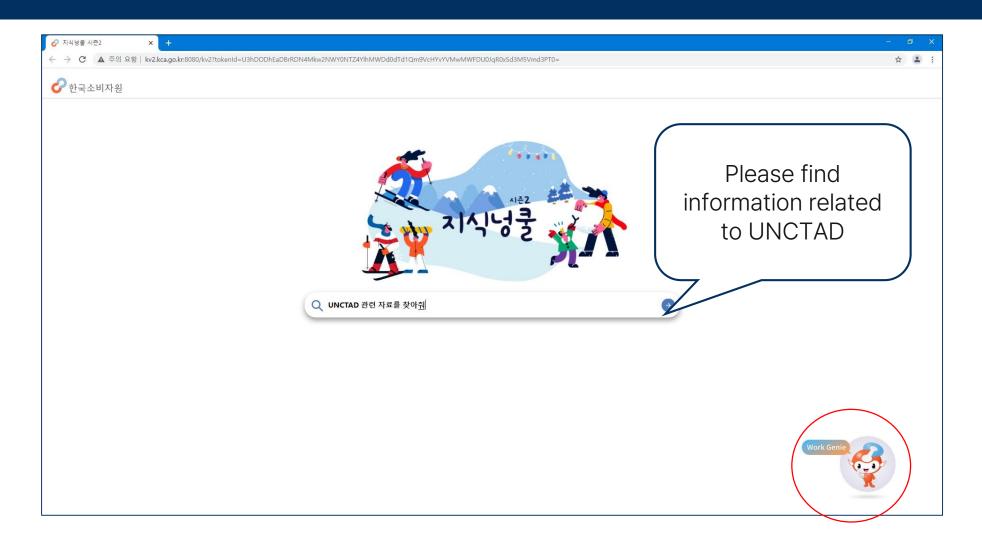
PHASE III (2024)

- Establishment of Integrated knowledge management system
- Framework for task automation
- Refined standard responses for the Chatbot

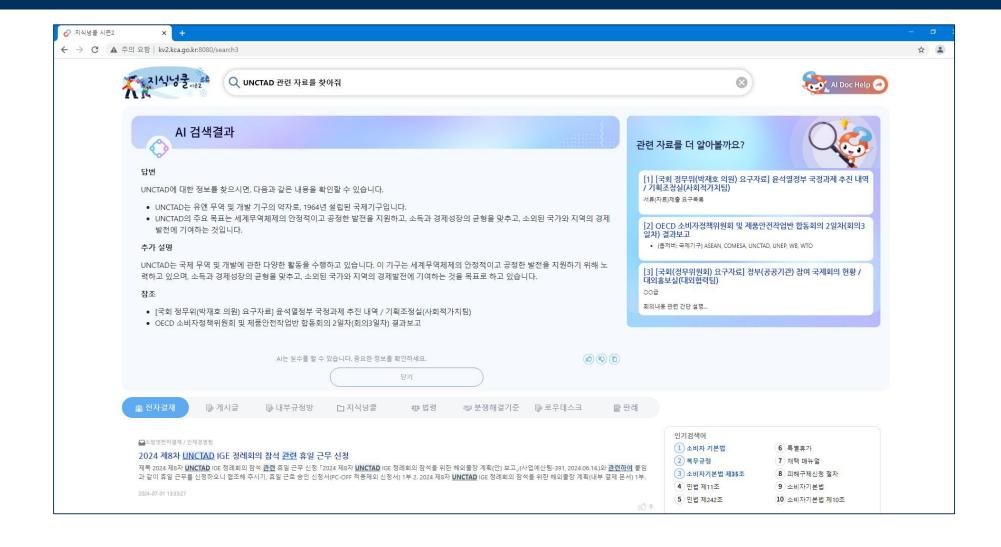
Al-Based Knowledge Platform: PHASE III(2024)

- 1 Establishment of integrated knowledge management system
- 2 Framework for task automation and intelligent search engine
 - Knowledge Vine II: Intelligent data search engine
 - Al-based drafting system: Generates the first draft of dispute settlement decisions
 - Work Guide Bot: automates simple, repetitive tasks, provides work guide, increases access to intranet menus
- ③ Consumer Counselling Team created 7,000 standard responses for the Chatbot

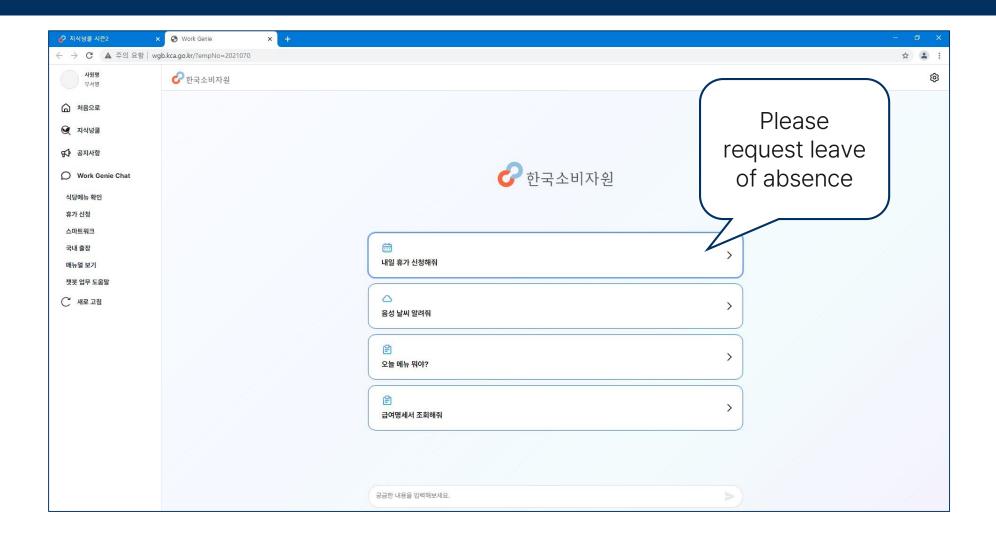
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Knowledge Vine II



Work Guide Bot

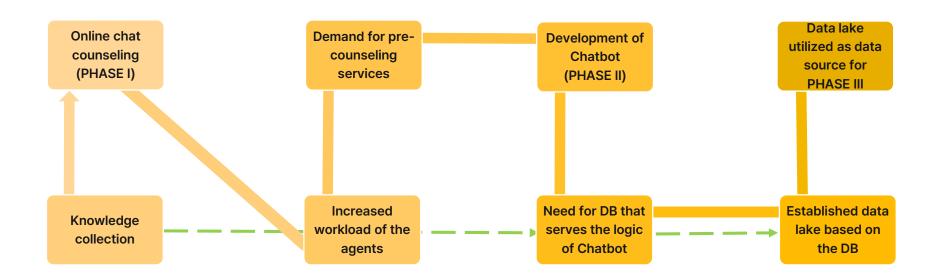


Challenges

What were the major challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al and what efforts were made to address these challenges?

Challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al

• **Note:** Not all challenges that arise in one phase do not always end up with a clear solution in the next phase. There are interrelated aspects between each phases. In each phase, there has been attempts to address the challenges identified in the previous year, but they do not and cannot serve as the ultimate solution.



Challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al: Technical issues

1 Al hallucination

Issue:

 Incomplete, biased and defective training data results in LLM learning incorrect patterns and returning prediction errors

Countermeasure:

- Improving data bias
- Continuous testing and refinement of the system
- Increasing user feedback

2 Interoperability issues with the existing system

Issue:

- The automatic drafting program relies upon the information received via SOBINET, an intranet for consumer complaint management
- Not all necessary information is being entered into SOBINET, leaving holes in the draft

Countermeasure:

 Fine tuning between the existing system and the new drafting system based on the feedback from the in-house lawyers and employees

Challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al: Technical issues

3 Difficulty of composing standard responses for the Chatbot

Issue:

 2,000 responses created right after the implementation of online chat counseling service do not align with the logic of the Chatbot



Countermeasure:

- Utilizing the initial responses
- Newly created 7,000 responses will be uploaded to the Knowledge DB for the Chatbot

4 Chatbot returning inaccurate responses

Issue:

 Just like Knowledge Vine II, the Chatbot may also return inaccurate responses



Countermeasure:

 Requires continuous update of the standard responses

Challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al: Institutional or Environmental Issues

1 Privacy issues

Issue:

 The data lake includes personal information, raising concerns about potential data leaks



Countermeasure:

 Adoption of LLM model to identify personal information and go through anonymization and de-identification

② Difficulty in inter-departmental collaboration

Issue:

- Ideally, the teams who actually handle consumer redress should review the standard responses for the Chatbot
- Due to the backlog, it is difficult to ask for their cooperation

Countermeasure:

- Since Chatbot is designed to aid consumers in the initial stage of counseling, it is unlikely that it will reduce the number of redress cases
- Another countermeasure to be developed to increase the speed of redress process

Challenges we faced in the process of deploying Al: Institutional or Environmental Issues

3 Low awareness of the AI-based tools among employees

Issue:

- Al tools need data with high level of quality and quantity, and also users' feedback
- Many employees are still not familiar with the tools and choose to follow existing practices

Countermeasure:

- Work Guide Bot will officially be launched during the first half of the year
- Digital Strategy Team plans to hold an introductory briefing of the Al-based tools

Going Forward

What is happening next?

Going forward

- 'Work Guide Bot' and 'Knowledge Vine II'
 - New name for the Bot!
 - Official launch between March and April, with an introductory briefing of the tools
- Dispute Settlement Drafting Tool
 - Currently going through system improvement based on the feedback it received from the first demonstration
 - Test operation coming in March
- Chatbot
 - Currently out of service for system improvement
 - Once standard responses are uploaded to the Knowledge DB, Digital Strategy Team will go through another test operation to locate further areas to be fixed
 - Planning to draft a manual on knowledge management in the second half of 2025 (tentative)

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