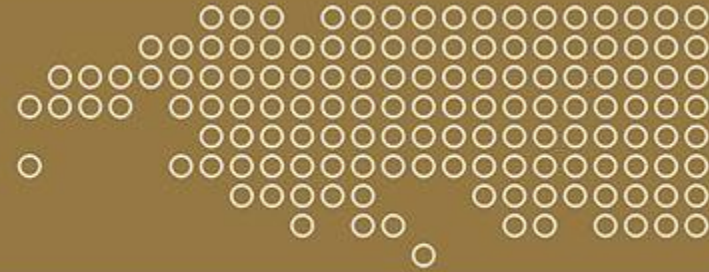


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*Mayor Park Won-soon at a citizen engagement session in Seoul
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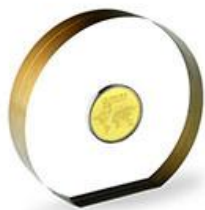
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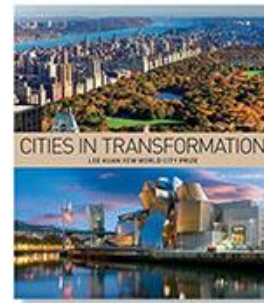
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