

Bridging Space and the Society Recent Educational Activities in Japan

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Capacity Building For Space Application

6 capacity building activities support the JAXA initiatives using satellite data

JAXA-initiated projects,
Sentinel Asia, SAFE (Space Applications
for Space Environment), etc.

Mini-Projects in cooperati on with GIC-AIT Oceanic
MiniProjects in
cooperation
with
CReSOS,
Udayana
University

Specialized
Training
in Japan
for both
MiniProjects'
High
Achievers

ALOS
Applications
&
Verifications
Project with
LAPAN
Indonesia

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Project with
GISTDA
Thailand

Organizing
Capacity
Building
Activities for
Asia Water
Cycle
Initiative
(AWCI)





JAXA Mini-Projects

in cooperation with

Geo-Informatics Center & Asian Institute Technology(GIC&AIT)

1. Number of Trainees (JFY1995 ~ 2010):

More than 1,300 from 27 countries of the Asia-Pacific region

2. Staff of GIC-AIT:

Usually 15 Asian personnel including lecturers and administrative staff





















Bhutan

Indonesia

Kyrgyzstan

Lao PDR

Pakistan

Sri Lanka

Thailand

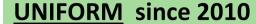
Vietnam



Satellite Technology Capacity building

STAR program since 2009

Capacity building opportunity for young researchers and engineers of space organizations in Asia-Paci



(UNiversity International FORmation Mission)

- MicroSat constellation for wildfire monitoring

of space organizations in Asia-Pacific -Capacity building for young engineers and students from developing countries.







Joint



Starts in 2011

"Doctorate in Nano-Satellite Technologies "

for post-graduate level students from developing countries by Kyushu Institute of Technology and UNOOSA



Opportunity for piggy-back small satellites

JAXA provides Japanese universities and private companies with opportunities to launch a small satellite as the H-IIA piggy-back.

*Accommodation of foreign applicants is under the consideration

Objectives

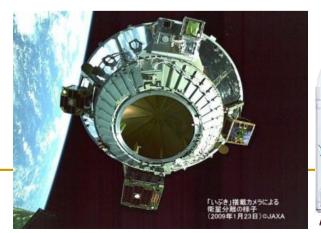
- To scout new players to the space development and utilization fields
- To contribute education and training of space engineers.

Responsibilities

JAXA: to provides a satellite deployer, an adapter and launch services

including a review before delivery.

Applicants: to design, manufacture, test and operate own small satellite.

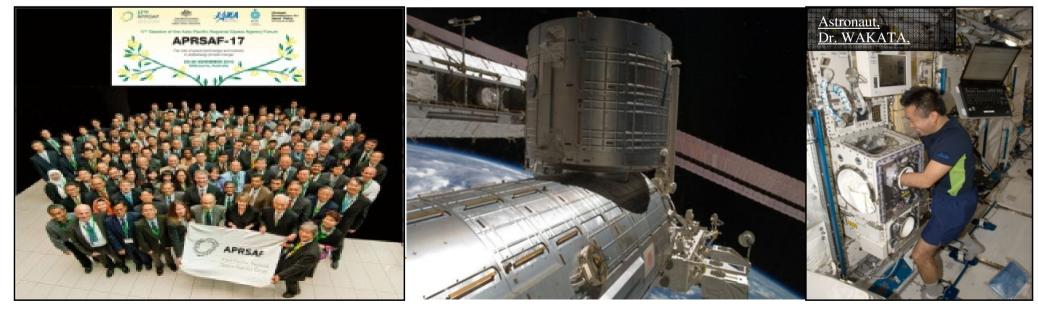




Framework to utilize Kibo in Asia

The Space Environment Utilization Working Group (SEU WG) of APRSAF (Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum)

- India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, the Republic of Korea, Thailand and Vietnam are presently active members.
- Cooperation schemes and potential joint-research subjects utilizing space environment are discussed.
- Education and capacity building effort in utilizing Kibo are also discussed.



The 17th Session of APRSAF (Australia, 2010) Japanese Experiment Module, Kibo, on the ISS

Experiments in Kibo



Asian Seed Project using Kibo

Space Seed project in Japan

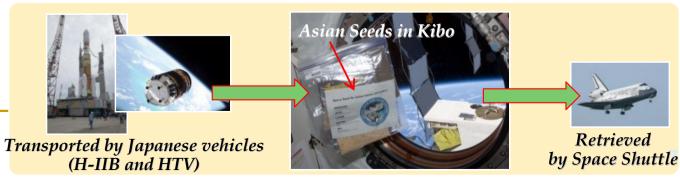
- Many types of seeds have been transported to Space. Those seeds retrieved from space were planted and brought up. This project is very effective for education.



Collaboration in Asia



- JAXA expanded the best practice of Japan into Asia.
- Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam participate in this project.
- The seeds retrieved from space will return to the owner countries and be used for education.





Other Examples of Kibo outreach

■International micro-G experiments for students

-Joint micro-G experiments among Japanese, Malaysian and Thai students through parabolic air flight carried out by JAXA.



-Scientific questions from Asian children will be answered by Japanese Astronaut Furukawa's experimental demonstration in Kibo this summer.

-Real-time communication is also planed.

■Promotion of Public Awareness

-Booklets (in print & electronically) on space utilization for students, scientists, engineers and ministrations

-Some were translated into Indonesian, Thai, Vietnamese in addition to English.



Thailand



Educational collaborations for Asia-

- **★** APRSAF Space Education and Awareness Working Group
 - ➤ Membership: Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam, AIT, UNE, UNESCO, UNCOPUOS, UNOOSA
 - ➤ Water Rocket Event

6th: Australia (2010), 7th: Singapore (Dec. 11, 2011)

- **≻Poster Contest**
- ➤Space Education Forum/Seminar (for teachers and/or students)
- **≻International CanSat Workshop**
- **▶International Water Rocket Education Workshop**







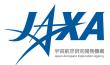


Minister of Science in Bangladesh

Space Education Seminar in Bangladesh in 2011

Trainings for Australian Teachers in Japan 2010

★Collaboration with International Institute of Space Law (IISL)



Global Collaborations for Space Education

★with regional mechanisms (UNESCO, Space Agencies)

➤ Water Rocket Event in Mexico (Nov. 2010)

★with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

- >regular meetings from 2010
- ➤ Sending Educational Materials to Nigeria in 2009 and 2010

★Active contributions to International Space Education Board (ISEB)





IAC 2010 Student Programme:



COSPAR 2010 Student Programme:



Field Trip



Students event in Prague during IAC



