

An aerial photograph of a coastal region, possibly in Japan, showing a large plume of white smoke or steam rising from the water. The plume is thick and extends vertically into the sky. The surrounding area includes a mix of greenery, buildings, and a body of water. The text is overlaid on the image.

Current status of Japan's Space Policy and development of legal frameworks

16 April, 2015

Current Legislation on Japan's Space Activities

● Basic Space Law (28 May 2008)

Art.24

(1) The Strategic Headquarters for Space Development shall formulate a basic plan with regard to Space Development and Use (hereinafter referred to as the “Basic Space Plan”) in order to promote measures with regard to Space Development and Use comprehensively and systematically.

● Strategic Headquarters for Space Policy (January 9, 2015)

The New “Basic Plan for Space Policy” was determined.

- Establish long-term and concrete public investment plan for next 10 years foreseeing coming 20 years.



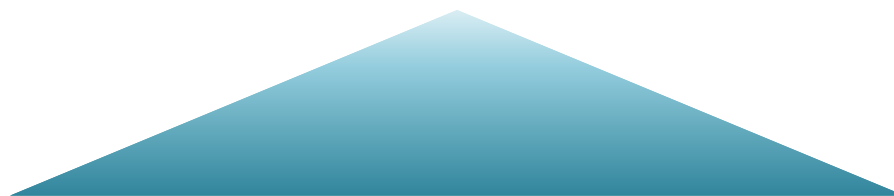
Goals of Japan's space policy

I Ensuring space security

Ensuring space sustainability

II Promoting use of space in civil area

- ① Utilization of space for tackling with global challenges and realization of safe and affluent society (national resilience)
- ② Creation of new Industries related to space (utilization of geospatial information)



III Maintaining and strengthening industrial and Science & Tech basis

- ① Maintaining and strengthening space industrial basis
- ② Maintaining and strengthening science and technology basis
which contributes to realizing outcomes

Basic stance for fostering space policy

Giving consideration to shifts in policy environment, the GOJ proceeds space policies based on three guidelines below.

I Prioritize realization of outcomes from use of space (goal-oriented strategy)

- Substantiate and clarify needs for space use for purposes such as security and industrial promotion.
- Sufficiently considering the contribution of space system to the needs specified.

II Prioritize realization of policy outcomes that match with budget allocations

- Set clear goals for outcomes for next ten years for each policy
- Fully enforcing the prior consideration and post implementation assessment. Pursuing maximal policy effects through cycles of demonstration, assessment and improvement.

III Rather than fixing rigid targets for each individual initiative, ensure targets are meaningful and in accordance with change of the environment

- Adjust policy targets flexibly in response to changes in the environment and results of examinations of progress status, and introduce new policy measures accordingly.
- Basic Plan on Space Policy consists of 2 parts (“**Main Text**” & “**Implementation Schedule**”), with the Schedule revised every year by the Strategic Headquarter for Space Policy.

Strengthening of systems and frameworks for space development and utilization

● Establishment of legal frameworks

- Bill on space activities and Bill on satellite remote sensing
→ aim to propose the bills to the Diet in early 2016
(Organization in charge : CAO, MOFA, MEXT, METI)

Thank you.