

## Activities to facilitate the research-oriented use of spatial data and GIS at CSIS, The University of Tokyo

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This presentation introduces the activities of Center for Spatial Information Science (CSIS), a national Joint Usage / Research Center at The University of Tokyo, Japan, to enhance the use of spatial data and geographical information system (GIS) for academic research purposes. We offer an online system called Joint Research Assist System (JoRAS), which enables users to apply for a new project to access various spatial data, and administrators to review and accept the project. This scheme supports academic researchers to obtain detailed spatial data, which are hardly be published as open data. Also, the spatial database of JoRAS accepts original spatial data, generated by individual researchers, to be registered with an accessibility limited to research purposes. We also provide opportunities for hands-on sessions regarding the use of the spatial data and GIS, where academic researchers from various disciplines are interested in using GIS and spatial data.

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