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Concept on big scientific projects by SCJ and the Earth and planetary science community

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Science council of Japan has published "Master plans for big scientific projects 2010 and 2011", which has affected the modality of scientific communities in Japan. Earth and planetary science, along with physics, is a community that contain many big projects. On the other hand, most of big projects of Earth and planetary science are national projects and not purely science-oriented, which may affect the evaluation by pure science communities. We also have to discuss is the achievement of consensus, which is one of critical points of evaluation.

In the present talk, I will introduce the policy for Master plan 2014 by SCJ and discuss how we should progress it.

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