

International activities of the Science Council of Japan toward the future of earth and planetary science

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In this invited talk, various academic activities of the Science Council of Japan (SCJ), including international collaborations, are introduced. The Committee of Earth and Planetary Science (EPS) of SCJ have more than 70 scientists, comprising 14 subcommittees nine of which are for international collaborations. As an organization under the Cabinet Office, SCJ offers financial contributions to ICSU and its related international organizations, including IUGG, IGU, SCAR, IUGS, IMA, COSPAR, SCOR, SCOSTEP, INQUA, IASC, ICA and WCRP, while having active commitment to the Future Earth program. In parallel, scientists in the nine subcommittees support specific activities of the corresponding international organizations, by acting as members of executive committees or scientific steering committees and conveners of international conferences and by hosting international conferences in Japan. These activities of the EPS Committee of SCJ are overall complementary to those of JpGU and related academic societies that are supported directly by individual scientists. For further progress in academic activities related to earth and planetary science, it is therefore essential for the EPS Committee to further tighten its relationship with JpGU, supporting its linkage with AGU, EGU and AOGS.

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