

Agreement of Cooperation
between the
International Space Science Institute (ISSI), Switzerland
and the
Center for Planetary Science (CPS)
Graduate School of Science, Kobe University, Japan

The International Space Science Institute, located in Bern, Switzerland (hereinafter referred to as ISSI), and the Center for Planetary Science, Graduate School of Science, Kobe University, Japan (hereinafter referred to as CPS), within the framework of their respective mandates, recognizing the importance of scientific cooperation and scientific exchanges as well as the multi disciplinary and international characters of planetary exploration from space, agree to collaborate, develop and strengthen the links already existing between the Japanese and the users community of ISSI in planetary sciences through the implementation of the present agreement.

1. Purpose

This agreement is established in view of facilitating the exchange of scientists between Japan and the ISSI users community in order to promote research in planetary science and its related fields, through the use of their respective working tools. In particular, both parties agree to engage selected cooperative activities in the following areas as described in Sections 2 and 3 hereafter.

2. Exchange of Information

In the framework of this agreement, both institutions will exchange available scientific books, reports and other scientific publications, including the documents related to the CPS International School of Planetary Sciences, and books and reports issued by ISSI in its Space Science and ISSI Scientific Reports series, published by Springer. Whenever applicable, this exchange will make use of the respective web sites of the two institutions.

3. Academic Staff Exchange

Both institutions, within their available resources:

- Will encourage collaborative research among their respective scientific communities through the use of their own working tools and visitors programs, in areas of mutual interest.
- Will offer office space and the use of their facilities that are made available to their users at the host institution.

4. Implementation of Activities

The implementation of the activities covered by the Present Agreement, as foreseen above in Section 2 and 3, shall be negotiated and agreed by both institutions in writing in advance, in accordance with their respective management rules as described in separate annexes to the Agreement for each institution. It is based on a non-exchange of funds basis.

5. Period of Agreement

This agreement shall be effective from the date of signature and will continue to be in force until either party notifies in written form the other party of its intention to terminate it at least twelve months before its proposed termination, without prejudice to the completion of on-going exchange programs.

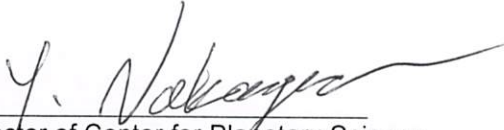
6. Amendment

This agreement can be amended by mutual consent of the two institutions in writing.
It is written in English in duplicate. Each institute retaining one copy of each authentic text.



Executive Director of International Space Science Institute, Switzerland

Date 4-Dec-2012



Director of Center for Planetary Science
Graduate School of Science, Kobe University, Japan

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