



JAXA Tokyo Office  
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**JAXA/UNESCAP/GISTDA  
The 2nd Joint Project Team Meeting (JPTM)  
for establishing the Disaster Management Support System  
in the Asia-Pacific Region  
27-28 June 2006  
Bangkok, Thailand**

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to inform you that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Joint Project Team Meeting for establishing the Disaster Management Support System in the Asia-Pacific Region will be held from 27 to 28 June 2006 at the Nai Lert Park Bangkok Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> JPTM is organized by the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) in cooperation with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP) and the Geoinformatics Information & Space Technology Development Agency of Thailand (GISTDA) as the local host organization.

The objectives of the 2<sup>nd</sup> JPTM, which is based on a series of discussions made at the 1<sup>st</sup> JPTM held in Hanoi, Vietnam, from 14 to 15 February this year, are the followings:

- (1) Starting up the Technical Implementation Team.
- (2) Defining the details of the Sentinel Asia Implementation Plan by the Technical Implementation Team.
- (3) Clarifying the definition of the "Data Provider Node," "Research and Training Node" and "Local Service Provider Node (=User Node)."
- (4) Explaining the status of the JPT and the structure of the "ALOS Rapid Response System" including its operational plan and demonstration.
- (5) Giving a plan by each of the Data Provider Node organizations.
- (6) Establishing the Forest Fire Working Group, etc.

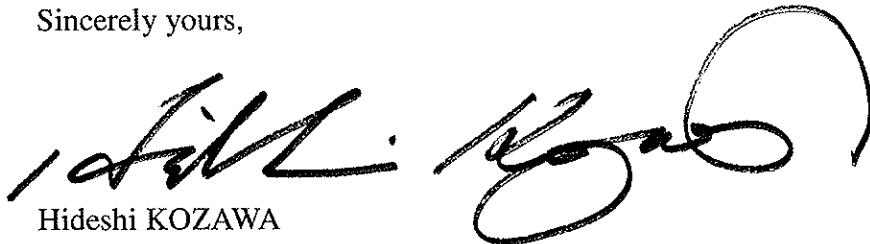
Details of the 2<sup>nd</sup> JPTM are enclosed (Appendix-A), and we would like to invite you to participate in this meeting. Although we would like to request your organization to bear your travelling expenses in principle, please let the JAXA Contact Point know only if your organization is unable to do so. Even so, we would be grateful if your organization will somehow share the travel expenses with JAXA.

It would be appreciated if the registration form notifying your attendance or absence, which is enclosed herewith (Appendix-B), is duly completed and returned to the JAXA Contact Point *no later than May 15, 2006*.

Additional information on the detailed agenda and logistics of the 2<sup>nd</sup> JPTM will be sent to you as the “2<sup>nd</sup> Announcement” hopefully by the beginning of June.

Thank you very much for your cooperation, in advance.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hideshi Kozawa', with a large, stylized circular flourish at the end.

Hideshi KOZAWA

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