# **GSI's Vision for the AOV**

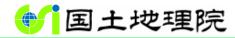
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### **Outline**

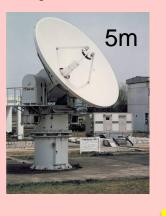
- Current Situation of GSI VLBI
  - Operation VLBI Stations
  - Correlation and Analysis
  - AOV Sessions
- Future Vision for AOV
  - Collaboration for VGOS and GGOS

# **Current Situation of GSI VLBI**



### **VLBI Antennas of GSI**

#### **Transportable VLBI (1986-1993)**





#### International VLBI (1992-2002)





#### Four stationary VLBI antennas (1998-)



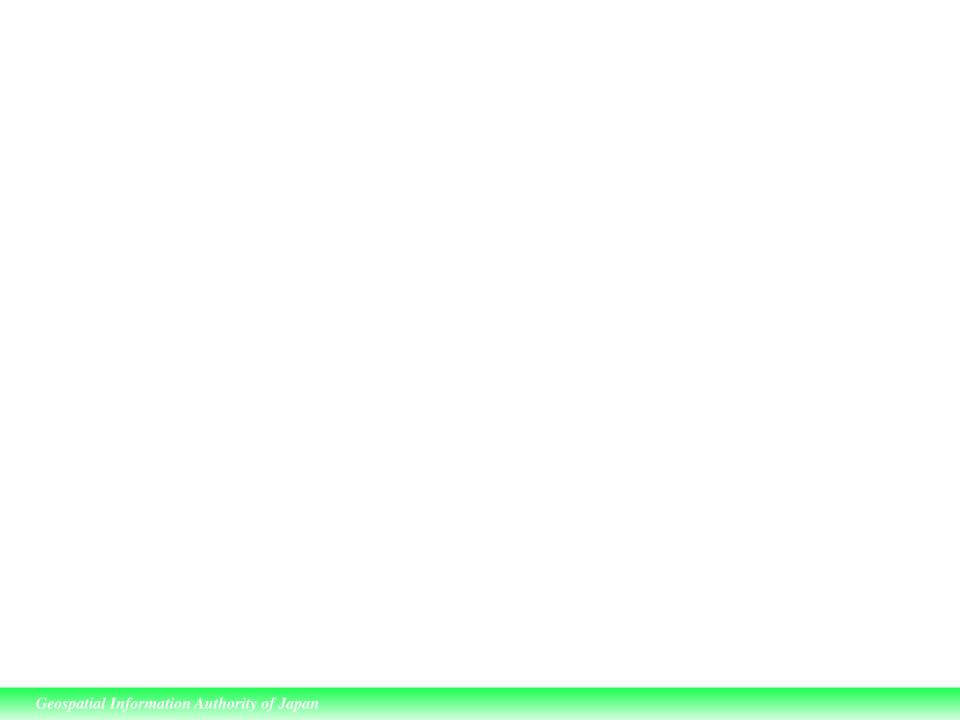






Aira 10-m

Chichijima 10-m Shintotsukawa 3.8-m

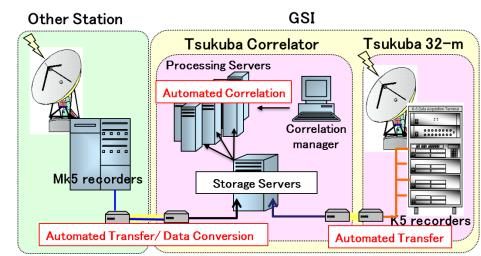


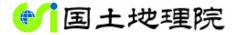
# Tsukuba Correlator/Analysis Center

#### Tsukuba Correlator (1998~) and Analysis Center (2009~)

- Using
- 66 servers, >500 TB storage
- 10 Gbps network (Maximum)
- K5 software Correlator (NICT)
- Well Automated System
- C5++ for automation analysis
- Calc/Solve for final products
- Processing
- INT2s in every weekend
- JADE (Japanese domestic sessions)
- Some AOV sessions

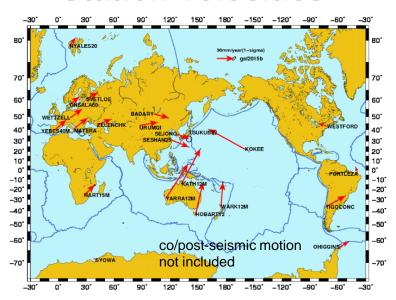




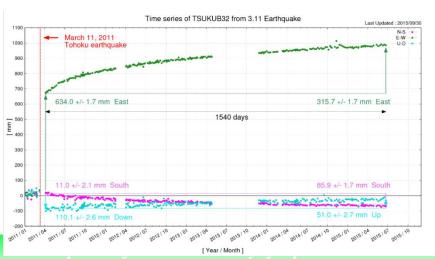


# **Analysis Results**

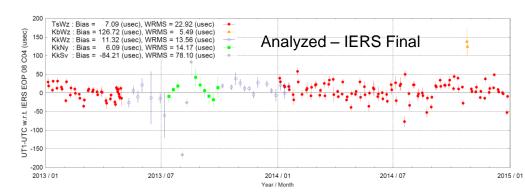
#### **Station Velocities**

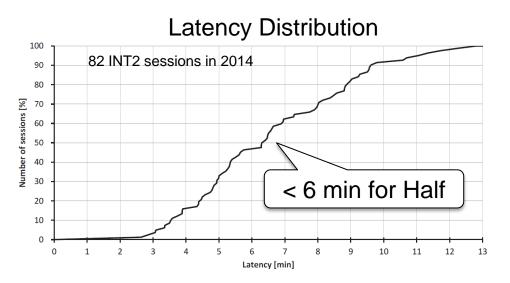


#### **Station Positions**



#### dUT1



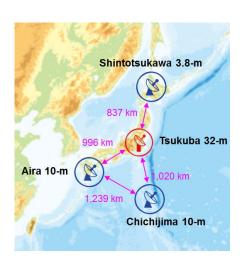


### **Recent Situation of GSI**

- Construction of Ishioka VGOS antenna (2014)
  - Ishioka will take over the role of Tsukuba
- Operation of Regional Antennas Stopped
  - Shintotsukawa (Dec. 2013), Aira and Chichijima (Mar. 2015)
- No regular JADE
  - Japanese Domestic session scheduled, observed, and correlated by GSI
  - Some for Tsukuba-Ishioka Tie (17 km)
  - Loosing opportunities of scheduling and correlation





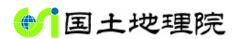


# **GSI** within AOV

#### AOV sessions in 2015

SESSION	SESSION DATE DO	Y TIME DUR	STATIONS	SKED CORR
NAME	CODE mondd d	dd hh:mm hr		
AOV001	AOV001 MAR21	80 00:00 24 A	iHb <mark>Is</mark> K1KeKmSh <mark>Ts</mark> UrWwYg	UTAS SHAO
AOV002	AOV002 APR30 1	20 19:00 24 H	b <mark>Is</mark> KeKvSy <mark>Ts</mark> VmWwYg	GSI  GSI
AOV003	AOV003 MAY17 1	37 00:00 24 H	bHo <mark>Is</mark> K1KeKgKmPaT6 <mark>Ts</mark> WwYg -Vm	UTAS  <mark>GSI</mark>
AOV004	AOV004 AUG26 2	38 18:00 24 H	b <mark>Is</mark> KbKeKvSh <mark>Ts</mark> WwYg	SHAO NGII
AOV005	AOV005 SEP26 2	69 00:00 24  <mark>I</mark>	sK1KbKeKgKm <mark>Ts</mark> VmWwYg -HoUr	GSI  NGII
AOV006	AOV006 DEC16 3	50 18:00 24 H	b <mark>Is</mark> KbKeKmKv <mark>Ts</mark> UrWwYg -Sh	SHAO SHAO

- Observation
- 6 sessions by Tsukuba and Ishioka
- Scheduling
- 2 sessions
- Correlation
- 2 sessions including SYOWA in Antarctic
  GSI could still accomplish VLBI by our selves





### Ishioka VGOS Antenna



Diameter	13.2 m	
Frequency Range	2-14 GHz	
Optics	Ring Focus	
Surface Accuracy	$\leq$ 0.08mm (RMS)	
Aperture Efficiency (S/X)	59% / 77%	
Slew Rate (Az/EI)	12 / 6 deg/s	
SEFD (S/X)	1700 Jy / 1300 Jy	

- Front-end (Broadband and S/X/Ka)
- K6 Samplers
- Recording Servers
- Two Hydrogen Masers







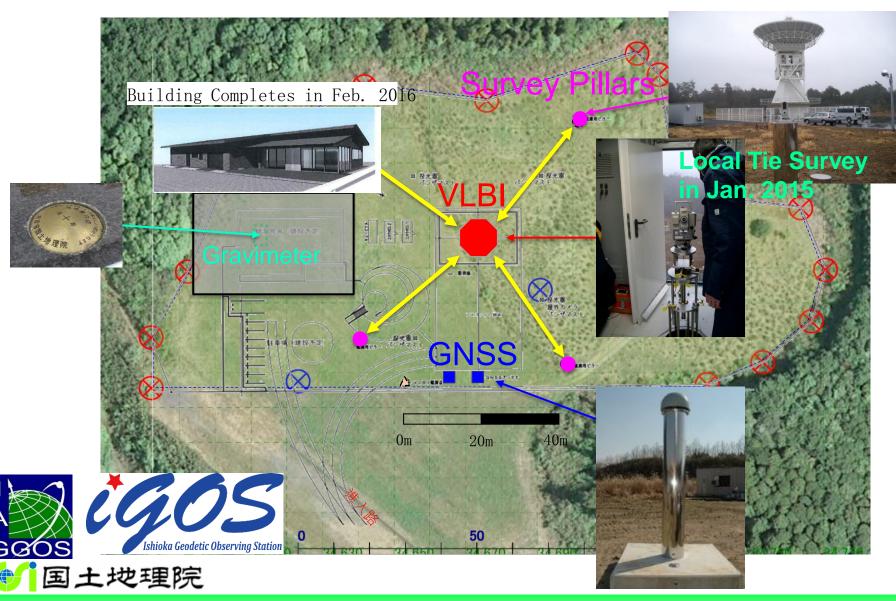








## **Co-location in Ishioka**





# **Operation of Ishioka**

- **2015**
- AOV, JADE, R1(tag-along) in 2015
- Broadband Experiments with NICT (Jan. and Jul.)
- **2016**
- Building Complete in Feb.
- Antenna Not Available during Jan.-Mar.
- AOV, APSG, R1, T2, JADE (if necessary) from Apr.
- 3 Broadband Sessions (VGOS-p) during Aug.-Sep.

# **Future Vision for AOV**

### **Collaboration in VGOS**

### Technology

- Information Sharing on Broadband Receiver and High-Speed Sampler
- Experimental VGOS (Broadband) sessions in AOV

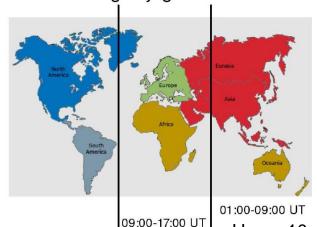
(e.g. in next summer for Ishioka)

- Operation (in future)
  - Operation Center for AOV
  - Mutual Backup of weak network in this region





24h VLBI Network Control using daylight zones



17:00-01:00 UT

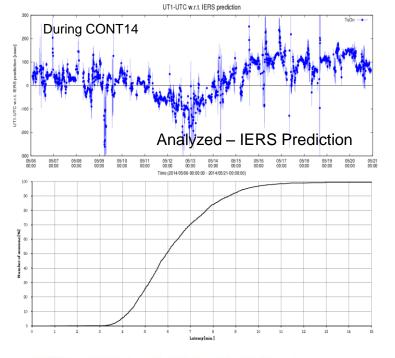
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### **Near Real-time Process in AOV**

- Ultra-rapid EOP determination by Automated Correlation/Analysis
  - Some Experiments with Hobart, HartRAO, Onsala

#### For AOV network,

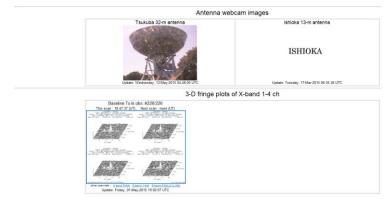
- Ultra-rapid Correlation
  - Real time Check for Antenna system
- Ultra-rapid EOP determination
  - Network suitable for Polar Motion?
- Stations with enough bandwidth?

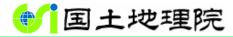


aov002 Ultra-rapid EOP-observation during a regular 24h IVS-session

Last update: Wednesday, 06-May-2015 23:33:42 UTC

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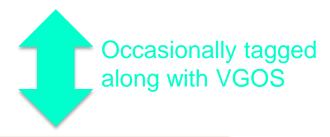




# **VGOS-Legacy Tie**



Fast Slewing, Broadband Station observing 7d/24h



Semi-VGOS Station

Broadband-capable Legacy Station

Legacy S/X sessions

Mixed mode taggedalong with VGOS

Legacy Station

Only S/X, Astronomy/Astrometry or Space Tracking

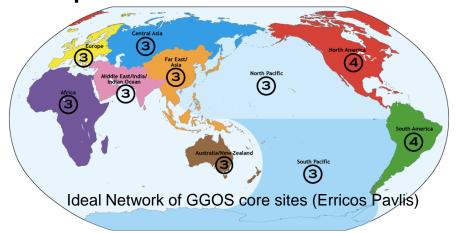


## **Collaboration for GGOS**

Other Space Geodetic Techniques

(GNSS, SLR, DORIS)

- Local Tie Surveying
  - ⇒ Sharing Technical and/or Operational Information



Local Tie with GSI VLBI

Year, Month	Site	σ for Baseline	Submission to IERS	Contribution to ITRF
2001, Mar.	Tsukuba		Yes	ITRF2005
2006, Oct.	Chichijima	1.4 mm		
2008, Feb	Tsukuba	1.0 mm	Yes	ITRF2008
2008, Oct.	Aira	2.3 mm	Yes	ITRF2014?
2010, Sep.	Shintotsukawa	0.4 mm	Yes	ITRF2014?
2011, Jul.	Tsukuba	1.1 mm	Yes	ITRF2014?
2013, Feb.	Chichijima	1.0 mm	Yes	ITRF2014?
2015, Jan.	Ishioka	0.6 mm (Preliminary)	Not yet	ITRF20xx?





### **IAG 2017**

- Joint Assembly of IAG and IASPEI
- Date: July. 30 Aug. 4, 2017
- Venue: Kobe International Conference Center



# **Summary**

- Current Situation of GSI VLBI
  - Developing Automated process
  - Transition to VGOS by Ishioka
  - AOV activities for GSI VLBI
- Future Vision for AOV
  - Collaboration in VGOS Era
  - GGOS

# Thank you!!

