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## JAMSTEC Yokosuka Headquarters Open Day

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The Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC) will be hosting an open house at its Yokosuka headquarters as below. As part of the National Science and Technology Week events, it is designed to share our current activities and future visions, aiming to enhance interest in marine science and technology as well as increase public understanding and support to us. We look forward to welcoming many visitors.

1. Date and Time:

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:30~16:00 (Last admission is at 15:30.)

2. Venue:

JAMSTEC Yokosuka headquarters: 2-15 Natsushima-cho, Yokosuka  
(Free bus shuttle service is available from Oppama station, Keikyu Line)

3. Programs and Events (some may be subject to change)

(1) Exhibition of *Shinkai* 6500, the manned submersible, celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

(2) *Hakuhomaru* ship tour (\*depending on weather conditions. )

(3) Open seminars

10:30~11:30: "Next-generation submergence vessel! Will you get on board or construct it?" by Yoshio Isozaki, Director-General, Marine Technology and Engineering Center

11:50~12:50: "Supercomputer Q&A" by Keiko Takahashi, Director-General, Center for Deep Earth Exploration

13:10~14:10: "Dig inside the Earth! – *Chikyu's* 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and talk about its future –" by Shin'ichi Kuramoto, Deputy Director-General, Center for Deep Earth Exploration

14:30~15:30: "Explore earthquakes and tsunami from ocean and prepare for them" by Shuichi Kodaira, Director-General, Research and Development (R & D) Center for Earthquake and Tsunami

(4) Exhibition of JAMSTEC's deep-sea exploration vessels

- Remotely operated vessel “*Kaiko Mk-IV*” and “*Hyper Dolphin*”
- Autonomous underwater vessel “*Otohime*,” “*Jinbei*” and “*Yumeiruka*”
- Autonomous surface vehicle “*Mainami*”

(5) Lab tours: Let’s visit our cutting-edge research labs!

“Earth analysis lab tour”: Tour to mass spectrometry laboratory for dating rock and sediment samples (first-come and first-served basis)

(6) Introduction of research activity

Latest report from JAMSTEC’s research achievements with exhibitions

- Learn about the global environment with fun!
- Activity report on Tohoku Ecosystem-Associated Marine Science
- Simulation science for designing future
- Ten-year history of Kochi Institute for Core Sample Research
- Northernmost research center of the main island: Activity at Mutsu Institute for Oceanography

(7) Other events (hands-on experiments, activities, demonstrations, etc.)

- Information bureau: Ocean and Earth
- “*Ebi gechu*” – Let’s catch zoo plankton in the water tank!
- Let’s learn about *Chikyu* with fun!
- Science experiments: Grouping colors
- Watch, Listen and Learn: Mysterious deep-sea life
- Let’s take a peek inside a deep-sea shark
- Scientist’s daily life
- Volcanic smoke experiment
- Volcanic explosion experiment
- Kids park : Let’s enjoy fan-making and sand art
- From kids to adults: Storytelling session/ Talk show by deep-sea bio-scientists/

Regular exhibition

- Let’s measure YOUR magnitude!
- Learn about seismology!
- Visit hyperbaric chambers
- Recruiting information for new graduates (administration/technology staff position)
- Stamp rally
- Ropework lesson (by Nippon Marine Enterprises, Ltd.)
- Introduction of Multi-Channel Seismic reflection survey and ocean-bottom seismograph (by Nippon Marine Enterprises, Ltd.)
- Various magic tricks (by Marine Works Japan Ltd.)
- *Mirai* and ocean (by Global Ocean Development Inc.)
- *Nanbu* diving demonstration (by Iwate Prefecture Taneichi High School)

(8) Others

- Sales of JAMSTEC official goods and publications
- Food stalls, etc.

#### 4. Media visit

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\* This Open Day is sponsored by (alphabet order):

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