

Research Security Symposium

~To Protect the Freedom of Research: Appropriate Balance
between Openness and Security for Scientific Research~

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 12, 2025 14:30-17:10, JST

Format: Hybrid meeting (In-person and Online)

Venue: JST Tokyo Headquarters Annex 1st floor Hall (7, Gobancho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-0076 Japan)

<https://www.jst.go.jp/EN/about/access.html>

Languages: Japanese and English (Simultaneous interpretation will be available.)

Host: Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

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Purpose:

In recent years, with the increasing openness and internationalization of research, the risks of inappropriate exploiting openness of research has become more apparent. With the growing importance of research security, the issue of how to safely promote cutting-edge research and international collaboration while respecting research freedom is becoming more important in many countries.

JST organizes the symposium aiming to create an opportunity to deepen discussion on efforts necessary to protect research freedom. The symposium will consist of presentations featuring current research security policy, an introduction of JST's research security initiatives, and a panel discussion as to how we take actions to balance between openness and security for scientific research appropriately. We welcome all stakeholders – universities, research institutions, researchers, policy makers- interested in this topic.

Registration: Deadline at noon on Friday, March 7

Pre-registration required.

> **Registration:** <https://form.jst.go.jp/s/symposium20250312>

- We encourage participation in-person for a more enriching experience, though online attendance is also available.
- Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis and will close when capacity is reached. (in-person: 120 seats)



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 - Company name / Department name / Media name / Applicant's name /
 - Email address / Mobile phone number /
 - Equipment to be used (Still camera / Video camera / No equipment) /
 - Expected number of attendees

Program (current schedule):

Doors will open at 14:00.

14:30 Opening

Opening Remarks

- **Dr. HASHIMOTO Kazuhito**, President, JST

Lectures (70 minutes)

1. The Environment Surrounding Research Security

- **Mr. SHIOZAKI Masaharu**, Deputy Secretary General for Science, Technology and Innovation Policy, Cabinet Office/ Councillor, Cabinet Secretariat
- **Mr. TAKAYA Hiroki**, Deputy Director General, Science & Technology Policy Bureau, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- **Dr. Rebecca KEISER**, Chief of Research Security Strategy and Policy, U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF)

2. Introduction of JST's Activities

- **Dr. HASHIMOTO Kazuhito**, President, JST

~ Break ~

Panel Discussion (60 minutes)

Panelists:

- **Mr. SHIOZAKI Masaharu**, Deputy Secretary General for Science, Technology and Innovation Policy, Cabinet Office/ Councillor, Cabinet Secretariat
- **Mr. TAKAYA Hiroki**, Deputy Director General, Science & Technology Policy Bureau, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- **Dr. NAGATA Kyosuke**, President, The Japan Association of National Universities / President, University of Tsukuba
- **Dr. SHIOMI Junichiro**, Professor, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo
- **Dr. Rebecca KEISER**, Chief of Research Security Strategy and Policy, U.S. National Science Foundation

Moderator:

- **Dr. HASHIMOTO Kazuhito**, President, JST

Closing Remarks

- **Mr. TAKAYA Hiroki**, Deputy Director General, Science & Technology Policy Bureau, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

17:10 Closing