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Presentation outline

- 1. Comprehensive Research on Climate Change Impact Assessment and Adaptation Policies (S-8 project)
 - New development of AIM/Adaptation[Policy]
 - Collaboration with CRIEPI
- 2. Project of Climate Change Impact Assessment in Tokyo



Toward to Adaptation -Japanese Research activities-

- Environment Research & Technology Development Fund "S-8"
 - Ministry of Environment, FY2010-14, 12 sub-teams, Assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation strategy on whole Japan and local government
- Research Program on Climate Change Adaptation
 - Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, FY2010-14, 12 programs, downscaling, assimilation, simulation for CC adaptation
- Special Coordination Funds for Promoting Science and Technology
 - Japan Science and Technology Agency, FY2010-14, 4 programs, Reform program for generating new social systems adapted to climate change
- Development of mitigation and adaptation technologies to address global warming in the agriculture, forestry and Fisheries
 - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, FY2010-14, 7 programs



Environment Research & Technology Development Fund "S-8"

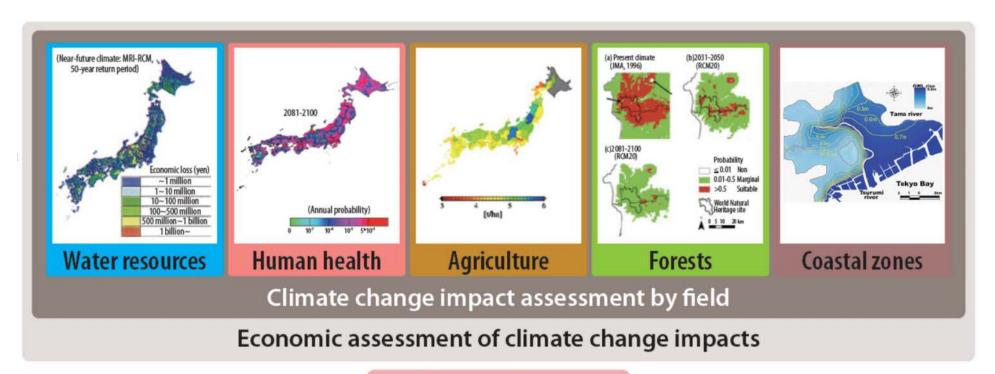
- Ministry of the Environment
- Targeted area: Whole and regional area in Japan and Asia-Pacific region
- Targeted fields: Water resources, forests, agriculture, coastal zones, human health
- Research period:
 - Period I (2010-2012) + Period II (20013-2014)
- Project leader: Nobuo MIMURA, Ibaraki University
- Number of sub-themes: 12
 - Impact assessment in whole Japan: 9
 - Impact assessment in Japanese regional area: 2
 - Impact assessment in Asian developing countries: 1



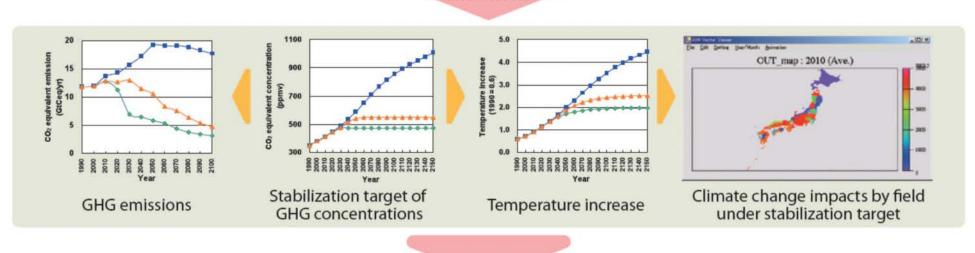
Objectives of S-8 project

- To assess climate change impact assessment focusing on whole Japan under different GHG concentration stabilization scenarios and adaptation strategies
 - Utilization of new climate scenario with high accuracy and resolution
 - Development of advanced model for assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation strategy
- To develop a planning method for adaptation strategy focusing on Japanese local government and developing countries in Asia-Pacific region
 - Development of simplified tool to assess the impacts of, and vulnerabilities and adaptation to, climate change
 - Consideration of uncertainty in the assessment





Impact response functions



Simplified

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method

Theme 1 Research on highly reliable quantitative assessment of climate change impacts throughout Japan











Climate Scenario downscaler

Economic assessment

Integrated assessment model

Regional assessment method

Feedback from local government

[Theme 2]

Research on impact assessment and comprehensive adaptation policies at the local government level

Local government consortium

Feedback from developing country

[Theme 3]

Research on indexes of vulnerability and adaptation effects in the Asia-Pacific Region

Various impact and adaptation studies in the Asia-Pacific region



Transmission of research results to domestic and international policymaking

AIM/Adaptation[Policy]

AIM/Impact[Policy]

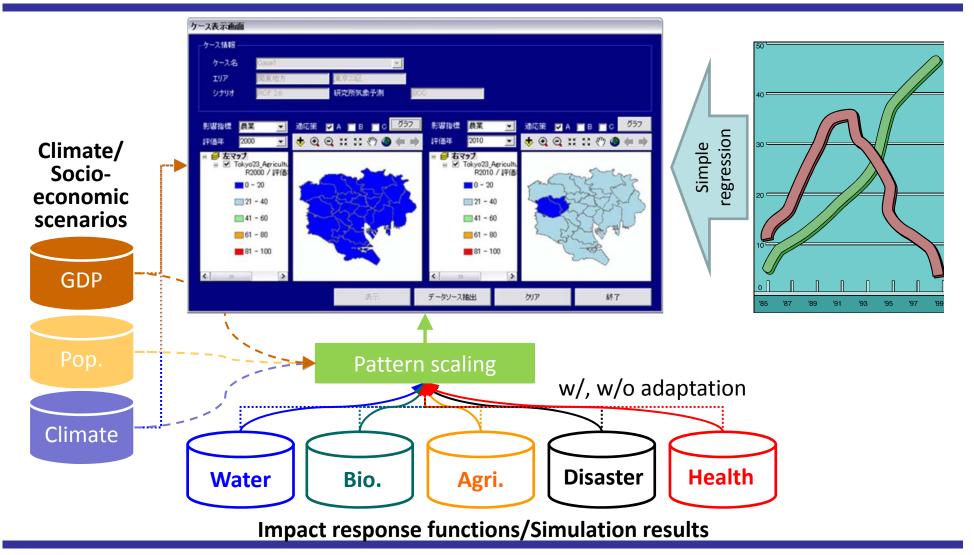
- Objective: To assess levels of impacts and effects of adaptation measures according to different climate stabilization levels and adaptation policies.
- Energy-economic model + Simple climate model + Climate scenario database + Impact response functions + User interface
- Country-wise in global, prefectural level in Japan

AIM/Adaptation[Policy]

- Objective: To integrate research outcomes by other teams in S-8
- Database type tool including socio-economic scenarios, Climate scenarios, Results of impact assessment
- Prefectural and municipal levels.



AIM/Adaptation[Policy]





Collaborative research with CRIEPI

- Collaboration with an S-8 research group in Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry
 - Started from October 2010 –
- Objective
 - **Expert mental models** on the climate change risks and risk management covering scientific knowledge to the adaptation practice
 - > Structure of stakeholders based on expert perspectives
 - **Considerable factors**, which obstruct or facilitate the adaptation practice
- Method
 - Individual interviews to 10 multidisciplinary experts: climate change impacts research in agricultural production, economics, engineering, policy, and so on
 - > Influence diagram which summarize the relevant expert knowledge
- Status
 - Individual interviews --- finished
 - Preliminary data classification --- finished
 - Developing the influence diagram of expert perception

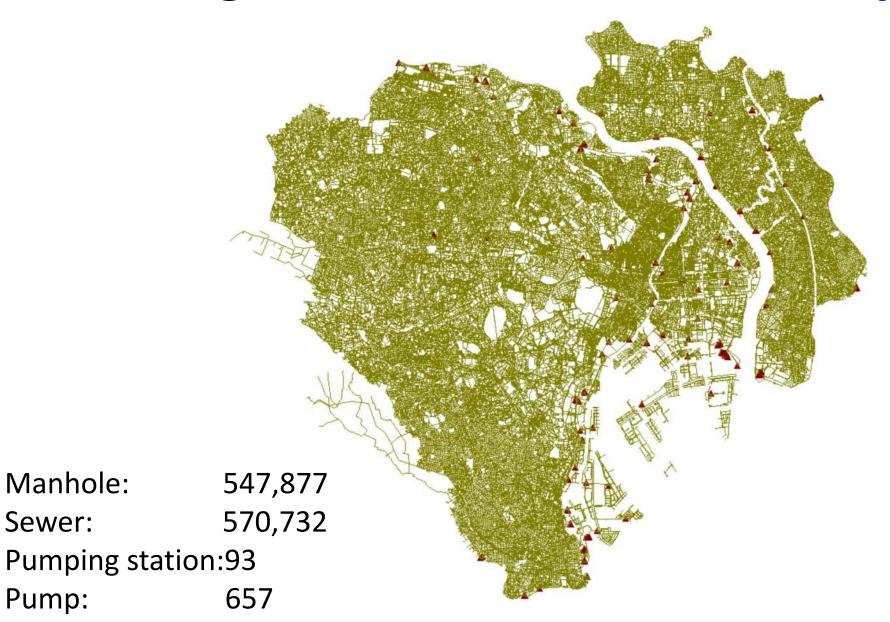


Project of Climate Change Impact Assessment in Tokyo

- To assess climate change impact assessment focusing on whole administrative area of Tokyo
 - Utilization of new climate scenario with high resolution
 - Development of advanced model for assessment of climate change impacts
- Research period: 2009.11-2012.3
- Targeted fields: Water resources, forests, disaster, human health
 - Water resources: quantity, quality
 - Forests: F. crenata, Conifer tree species, Japanese cedar
 - Disaster: River flooding, Inundation by sewer system, Land slide failure, Tidal flood
 - Health: Heat stress, Heatstroke, Air pollution, Infection diseases



Modeling of sewer networks in Tokyo



Future Plan

- ERTDF S-8
 - Distributing AIM/Adaptation[Policy] (ver. 1) to the researcher in the S-8
 - Coordination of Climate Scenarios and Socioeconomic scenarios watching the progress of CMIP 5 and SSPs

 Finishing the impact assessment project in Tokyo

