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# SPACETIDE COMPASS vol.2 Introduction

# NEW ECOSYSTEM





The international space industry is undergoing a paradigm shift. Whereas previously the space industry has been led by mainly the government, leadership by the private sector has been a gaining momentum in recent years.

Over the past decade, more than 30 countries and regions have invested in space-related businesses, and over 1000 startups have been launched. Various companies from terrestrial industries have also entered and invested in space-related businesses. Thus, today organizations and people from a wide range of fields have joined or are discussing various business possibilities in the new space industry. In Japan, too, interest in the space industry is growing in both the public and private sectors, and signs of a new industrial eco-system have begun to appear.

SPACETIDE plans and manages the largest annual space business conference in Japan, as well as a variety of small networking events. As a new activities, we have also started to publish our own industry report: "SPACETIDE COMPASS".

SPACETIDE COMPASS Vol.0 was published as the first issue in December 2018 with Vol.1 following in July 2019. Each publication has been viewed, referenced and utilised by a wide range of audiences within the space industry including government agencies (e.g. JAXA), non space-related companies, private researchers and academia etc...

Encouraged by the response and support COMPASS has received, we are proud to introduce SPACETIDE COMPASS Vol. 2. Now, approximately one year after the first issue of this publication, we have conducted research not only on Japanese startup players, but also commercial movement in the Asia-Pacific region.

In addition, we present market size forecasts for each segment which is defined by SPACETIDE.

We hope that you enjoy reading COMPASS Vol.2, and please feel free to contact us should you have any further comments, thoughts or subsequent requests.

# SEGMENT Business segments

Current space businesses can be categorized into 6 segments.



HOT NE₩S	A variety of services and business activities utilizing satellite data have been announced. And more updates on these activities are expected.
	<ul> <li>The number of the users of "Tellus", a satellite data platform has been increasing together with the number of corporate partners (e.g. NTT East) and the kinds of satellite data.</li> <li>In November 2019, Bascule, SKY Perfect JSAT and JAXA announced they would be opening a studio on the International Space Station (ISS) to start the "Space Media Business" within JAXA' s space business innovation partnership scheme "J-SPARC."</li> </ul>
MARKET	The market size of space utilizing segment in Japan is currently ~800 billion yen; with some reports estimating it will reach nearly 2 trillion yen in the 2030s.(Do not include ripple effects) (Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, documents of taskforce, 2019)

## Launch service

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Progres	s has been made on the launch and development of rockets by several Japanese	
startup		

- In November 2019, SpaceOne held a ceremony to mark the start of construction of a rocket launch site in Kushimoto Town, Wakayama Prefecture. Completion is scheduled to be in the summer of 2021, with the aim of having the first rocket launch from the site by March 2022.
- In May 2019, Interstellar Technologies launched a rocket (to an altitude of 13.3 km). And, In July 2019, they raised more than 1.2 billion yen to aid acceleration in development of such technology.
- In December 2019, Space BD was selected by JAXA as the service provider in the microsatellite launch business employing H-IIA / H3 launch vehicle via ride-share capacity



The market size in space transportation segment in Japan is currently ~130 billion yen, with it being estimated to reach ~360 billion yen in the 2050s.

(Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, documents of taskforce, 2019)

## Satellite infrastructure deployment and operation



Japanese startup players successfully launched satellites in 2019. On top of that, some relevant investments have been very active recently.

 In December 2019, iQPS Inc. launched a small SAR satellite "Izanagi" on an Indian launch vehicle, announcing successful orbit insertion and communication



The market size in this segment in Japan is currently ~180 billion yen, with it being estimated to reach ~1.4 trillion yen in the 2050s.

(Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, documents of taskforce, 2019)

# HOT NEWS-Domestic

Major events between Jul.2019-Dec.2019







more players more visions



# PLAYER MAP-Startup

## Space business entry approach and research scope

Launching a startup, developing a new business and investing/advising ....

There are many approaches to enter the space business. Research scope in this section is Japanese startups established after 2000.



## Player map by business segment



\*1 : Definition of startup: companies established after 2000. (incorporated associations are excluded)

\*2: Only end product manufacturer (OEM) is listed

\*3: Alphabetical order

## Player map by year founded

The development of launch service drove the growth of satellites data applications and related businesses. New type of businesses such as space tourism and space mining has emerged



\*1. Lowercase letters indicate foreign companies (only main players)

\*2. Some abbreviation are used due to limited space

\*3. Terrestrial startups are also listed in order of years since their establishment. However,

GREE, Sakura etc are listed by the year when it announced entry into the space business.

# **PLAYER MAP-Corporations**

## Space business activity trend by Corporations

In this section, we research trends of corporations(excluding start-up companies) working on new space business(\*1)



In Japan, Approx. 84 companies have participated in major space business promotion programs organized by the Japanese government agencies since 2018. At the time of the previous survey for COMPASS Vol.1, this statistic was ~75 companies, and the majority of players predominantly engaged in "Satellite data / space tech applications"; the number of players in the "Space tourism/migration" and "space tech application" has increa



\*1 : Definition: investment to space startups or participation to major space business promotion program by government agencies after 2018

\*2 : Industry classification is categolised by SAPCETIDE. It refferd to industry classification defined by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications and Securities Identification Code Committee.



In particular, non-space players are attracted towards "Satellite data / space tech application ", "Space exploration/space mining", and "Space tourism/migration" segments

Preference in entry segment varies by the type of industry

sed.



\*1 : Created based on public information. Companies with unknown business and investment details are excluded.

\*2 : Companies that have invested are classified and counted in segments of investee companies.

\*3 : Sum of companies in the graphs do not match the total number of companies, as companies may fall into multiple segments.

# INVESTMENT

## Raised capital by year (Startups in Japan)

Total funding Japanese space startups raised in 2018 was 13.3 billion yen, with 2019 funding until October reaching over 16 billion yen



\*1 : Based on public information released (only the number of startups are counted if the raised amout is not disclosed)

- \*2 : Raised capital is the total of domestic investment, alliance, sponsorship and crowdfunding
- $^{\ast}3$  : investor profile is based on total of invested players between 2014-2019 without overlap

\*4 : "Terrestiral-Industry company" is companies exluded Space-Industry and financial and VC (categorized by SPACETIDE)





In this segment, the corporates received the largest amount of funding in 2019 - with most companies raising funds in the second half of 2019. It is a feature that the percentage of financial / VC investments increased.



In this segment, one company has raised funds in the second half of 2019. Although there is no significant change in the proportion of investors by segment, total amount of the funds raised is large, indicating that investors are paying attention to the segment.

## Launch service



In this segment, two companies raised funds in the second half of 2019. In particular, the funding into the "Other" category has increased significantly due to financing from multiple individual investors. Furthermore, the number of investments from VCs continues to be relatively small.



There are no new investments in the second half of 2019 in this segment likely due to the large volume of investments in the second half of 2018 and the first half of 2019.

However, since this is an area comprised with a large proportion of startup players, near-future investments are likely.



In this segment, investments from financial Industry exceeded those from non space related industry due to a slight increase in the number of investments from finance institutions during the first half of 2019. This segment continues to be characterized by having the largest number of investments from VCs.

Government 12% company 3% Financial 9%

Space exploration/space mining

In this segment, one company raised funds, and the number of investments sourced from the Japanese government exceeded that from financial institutions. As in the first half of 2019, investments from cross-sectorial industry and VCs accounted for over 70% of total investment into the segment

VC 30%

# STARTU PPLAYE RSinAS IAPACI FIC

There are various space startups in Asia-Pacific. COMPASS Vol.2 covers the Singapore, Thailand and Australia.



# Thailand

- Astroberry
- Mu space
- Space Zab
- <u>C</u>

10 players

# Singapore

- Alenia
- Infinite Orbits
- Kacific
- Microspace
- NuSpace
- Spacechain
- SpeQtral
- THISS Technologies
- Transcelestial technologies
- Wizlogix



18

players

# **Australia**

- Arlula
- Blacksky
- Capricorn Space
   Cingulan Space
- Digital Agriculture Service
- EO Data Science
- Equatorial Launch Australia
- Fleet Space Technologies
- FluroSat

- Gilmour space
- High Earth Orbit Robotics
- Inovor technologies
- Moonshot Space Co
- Myriota
- Neumann space
- Picosat Systems
- Saber Astronautics
- Southern Launch

# STARTUP PLAYERS in ASIA PACIFIC

## **Players in Asia-Pacific**

In the aforementioned APAC countries this volume focuses on, the number of players has soared since 2015. In recent years, the space industry has been expanding significantly not only in Japan and China, but also in other countries in Asia-Pacific.



1. By investigating the companies participating in space-related conferences and interviewing some professionals in the countries covered,

ve have long-listed the space startups which were founded after 2000.

At present, there are many players in the fields related to "Satellite data / space tech application " and "Satellite infrastructure deployment and operation" segments in Asia-Pacific. The number of players in the other segments are somewhat less than in the Japanese space landscape.

	Thailand	Singapore	Australia	The Number of Japanese Players
Launch service	UNCON	FIRMED	Equational Launch Australia/2017 Gilmour Space/2013 Neumann space/2010 Southern Launch/2017	6 players
Satellite infrastructure deployment and operation	Mu space/2017	Alenia/2018 Kacific/2013 Microspace/2007 Nuspace/2018 Spacechain/2017 SpeQtral/2019 THISS Technologies/2003 Transcelestial technologies /2016	Capricom Space/2018 Cingulan Space/2016 FLEET/2015	4 players
Satellite data space tech application	Astroberry/2019	Transcelestial technologies /2016	Arlula/2018 Blacksky/2013 Digital Agriculture Service /2017 EO Data Science/2017 FluroSat/2016 High Earth Orbit Robotics /2016 Inovor technologies/2012 Moonshot Space Co/2016 Myriota /2015 Picosat Systems/2015 Saber Astronautics/2008	16 players
On-orbit service	UNCONFIRMED	Infinite Orbits/2016	UNCONFIRMED	3 players
Space tourism migration	Space Zab/2017	UNCON	FIRMED	<b>8</b> players
Space exploration space mining	3	UNCONFIRMED		5 players



# AFTER WORD

COMPASS is linked to the activities of SPACETIDE and we are continuously expanding the range of content covered. In this issue, we conducted research on space start-up players in the Asia-Pacific region, as SPACETIDE looks to expand into Asia-Pacific.

In addition, in response to feedback received, we conducted market size-related research for each segment. If you hold any opinions or ideas for COMPASS, sharing these with us would be much appreciated . Thank you for reading COMPASS, which will continue to evolve in Vol.3 and beyond.

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SPACETIDE has launched our own space industry report "SPACETIDE COMPASS" at the end of 2018 with the aim of delivering the exciting information regarding the progress and trend of space industry as a whole.

We used to cover just Japan as the scope of the survey, but we have began to start covering Asia-Pacific as well from Vol.2. Asia-Pacific area is the emerging driver in the global space industry with the number of space agencies and companies increasing steadily.

We are going to deliver some of the hottest trend of space-related business both in Japan and the world.

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