

# Organization



# Outline

## Main Businesses

- Research and development of technologies related to the electromagnetic distribution of information and the use of radio waves
- Support of individuals and organizations pursuing research and development in the field of advanced communications and broadcasting technology
- Promotion of businesses in the communications and broadcasting sectors

## Establishment Date

April 1, 2004

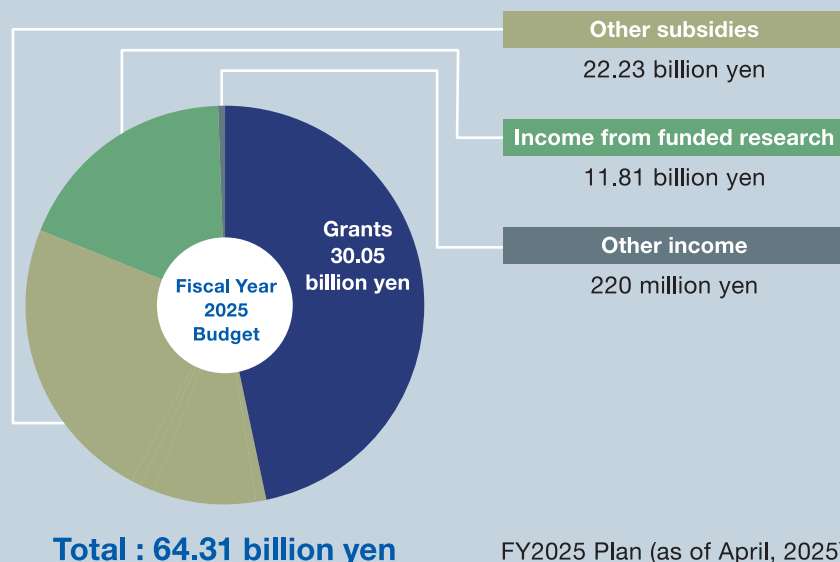
## 5th Mid-To-Long-Term Plan

April 2021 - March 2026

## Number of Personnel

1,547 (as of April, 2025)  
(Including fixed term employees)

# Budget



# Location of NICT facilities

Koganei-shi and Kodaira-shi, Tokyo

## Headquarters



Radio Research Institute  
Network Research Institute  
Cybersecurity Research Institute  
Big Data Integration Research Center  
Koganei Frontier Research Center  
Beyond 5G Research and Development Promotion Unit  
AI Research and Development Promotion Unit  
Quantum ICT Collaboration Center  
Open Innovation Promotion Headquarters

Nomi-shi, Ishikawa (Ishikawa Science Park)

Hokuriku StarBED Technology Center

Saga-shi, Saga and Itoshima-shi, Fukuoka

Hagane-yama LF Standard Time and Frequency Transmission Station

## Overseas Centers

Washington, DC, U.S.A. North-America Center  
Paris, France Europe Center  
Bangkok, Thailand Asia Center

Onna-son, Kunigami-gun, Okinawa

Okinawa Electromagnetic Technology Center

Sendai-shi, Miyagi (Tohoku University Katahira Campus)

Resilient ICT Research Center

Tamura-shi and Kawauchi-mura, Futaba-gun, Fukushima

Ohtakadoya-yama LF Standard Time and Frequency Transmission Station

Kashima-shi, Ibaraki

Kashima Space Technology Center

Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Innovation Center

Yokosuka-shi, Kanagawa (Yokosuka Research Park)

Wireless Networks Research Center

Seika-cho, Soraku-gun, Kyoto (Keihanna Science City)

Universal Communication Research Institute

Suita-shi, Osaka (Osaka University Suita Campus)

Center for Information and Neural Networks

Kobe-shi and Akashi-shi, Hyogo

Advanced ICT Research Institute

(As of April, 2025)

# History

Aug. 1891	Electrotechnical Laboratory is established as part of Ministry of Communications (C)	Jan. 2001	Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications becomes Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunications (C)
Jan. 1915	Hiraiso Branch opens (C)	Apr. 2001	Communications Research Laboratory, Incorporated Administrative Agency is established (C)
May 1935	Testing and Examination for Radio Equipment Type Approval starts (C)	Jul. 2001	Promotion system on facilitating research and development in private basic technology starts (T)
Jan. 1940	Frequency Standard Radio Service (JJY) starts (Kemigawa) (C)	Mar. 2002	Satellite control operations are terminated (T)
Jun. 1948	Radio Physics Laboratory is integrated (C)	Apr. 2003	Partial takeover of operations of Promotion Center for Facilitating Research and Development in Private Basic Technology (T)
Aug. 1952	Radio Research Laboratory is established (C)	Apr. 2004	National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT), an incorporated administrative agency, is established by merging the former CRL and former TAO
May 1964	Kashima Branch opens (30-m diameter Parabola Antenna Facility completed) (C)	Apr. 2012	Resilient ICT Research Center (Sendai City) is established
Aug. 1979	Communications and Broadcast Satellite Organization (CBSO) is established (T)	Apr. 2013	Center for Information and Neural Networks (Suita City) is established
Aug. 1982	Kimitsu Satellite Control Center opens (T)	Apr. 2015	Renamed as National Institute of Information and Communications Technology, National Research and Development Agency
Apr. 1988	Reorganized from Radio Research Laboratory to Communications Research Laboratory (C)		Cybersecurity Human Resource Development Research Center (Currently, National Cyber Training Center) is established
May 1989	Kansai Branch opens (Kobe) (C)	Apr. 2016	Beyond 5G R&D Promotion Project starts
Oct. 1992	Renamed as the Telecommunications Advancement Organization (TAO), Commencement of advanced communication and broadcasting research and development (T)	Mar. 2021	Beyond 5G Research and Development Promotion Unit is established
Jul. 1997	Yokosuka Radio Communications Research Center is established (C)	Apr. 2021	Quantum ICT Collaboration Center is established
Jul. 2000	Keihanna Info-Communication Research Center is established (C)	Jul. 2024	GPAI Tokyo Expert Support Center is established
Jan. 2001	Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications becomes Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunications (C)	Sep. 2024	AI Research and Development Promotion Unit is established

(C) : Communications Research Laboratory/CRL (T) : Telecommunications Advancement Organization/TAO