

## ■ Signed MoU with Thai space agency "GISTDA"

On November 29, 2019 (Friday), a MoU was signed between NICT and GISTDA (Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency).

In Thailand, from the viewpoint of Space Situational Awareness (SSA), there is a movement to build and promote a consortium of related organizations centering on GISTDA for space weather monitoring and forecasting in Thailand. In addition, the Cabinet Office of Japan established the Japan-Thailand G Space Council in 2018, and is in the process of studying to expand the use of quasi-zenith satellites. But it is being recognized. Against this background, GISTDA requested NICT to cooperate, and it was possible to expect smooth execution of the field test of NICT.

Dr. Anond Snidvongs, Secretary of GISTDA, visited the NICT Otemachi Office on the day and held a signing ceremony with President Tokuda. After that, they moved to the NICT Headquarters and visited the Space Weather Information Center and related facilities, and examined the future cooperation system in detail.

In the future, NICT will cooperate with training of GISTDA staff engaged in space weather forecasting work and contribute to promotion of Space Weather Information Center work and construction of research collaboration in Thailand.



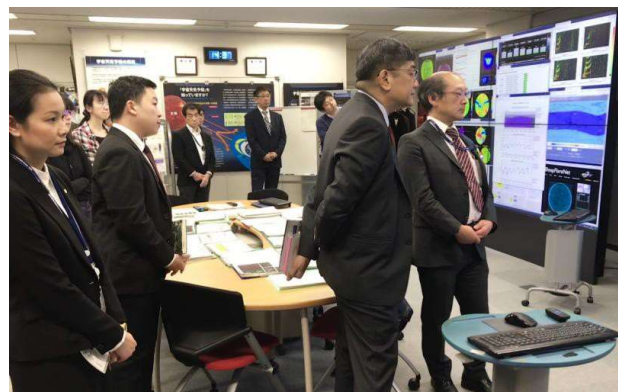
GISTDA Dr. Anond Snidvongs(right),  
Dr. Sittiporn Channumsin(left)



MoU signing  
Tokuda(right), Snidvongs(left)



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