## Supplementary explanations and reference information

For applications from private companies, please take note of the statement in 4th Research Announcement on the Earth Observations Guidelines that "The RA accepts applications from any domestic or foreign institution (except students) as long as the research is for non-profit and peaceful purposes."

JAXA has the Space Strategy Fund (https://fund.jaxa.jp/), which sets technology development themes and supports private companies, including startups, and universities to work on technology development over multiple years (up to 10 years). There may be cases where the Space Strategy Fund is more appropriate for your application, so please read the application guidelines for each and select the appropriate application.

Reference information 1: Space Strategy Fund Project Call for proposals (as of April 1, 2025) https://fund.jaxa.jp/content/uploads/yokoku20250327.pdf

The following issues are being called for as satellite data uses.

[MEXT] Advanced technology to accelerate the use of global environmental satellite data (approx. 4 billion yen)

[METI] Accelerating the implementation of satellite data utilization systems (approx. 17.6 billion yen)

Reference information 2: Space Strategy Fund https://www8.cao.go.jp/space/kikin/kikin.html

For information on the Greenhouse Gas Observing Satellite Series Research Announcement (RA), please see the National Institute for Environmental Studies' RA introduction page. https://www.nies.go.jp/soc/ra/