

# The Collaboration between ISC and the Science Council of Japan (SCJ)

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# **About the Science Council of Japan**

- Representative organization of the Japanese scientific community ranging over all fields of the sciences subsuming humanities, the social sciences, life sciences, physical sciences, and engineering.

- Established in **1949** 

 Mission: Contributing to the peaceful reconstruction of Japan and the welfare of human society, as well as to academic progress in partnership with academic circles all over the world

**General Assembly** 



## Structure of the Science Council of Japan

- President
- Vice-President for Organizational Management
- Vice-President for Liaison with Government and Society
- Vice-President for International Affairs

#### 210 Council Members

#### **Section I**

Humanities and Social Sciences

#### **Section II**

Life Sciences

#### **Section III**

Physical Sciences and Engineering

Approximately 2,000 Associate Members

- Council members: 3-year fixed term, up to 2 consecutive terms possible.
  Limited to persons under 70 years old.
- The restrictions for associated members are less stringent.



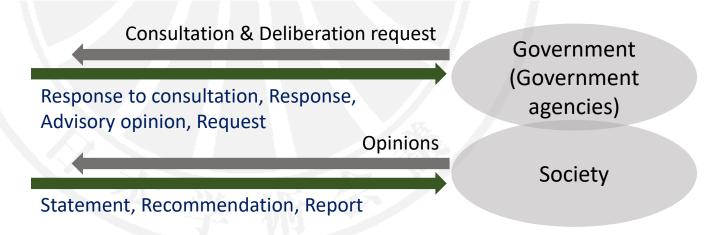
# **Key Activities**

## **Enhance Scientific Activities in Academia and Society**

- Regional Conferences and Regional Science Council
- Functional support for academic societies
- Partnership with academic societies
- Organizing the SCJ forums, symposiums, science cafes, etc.

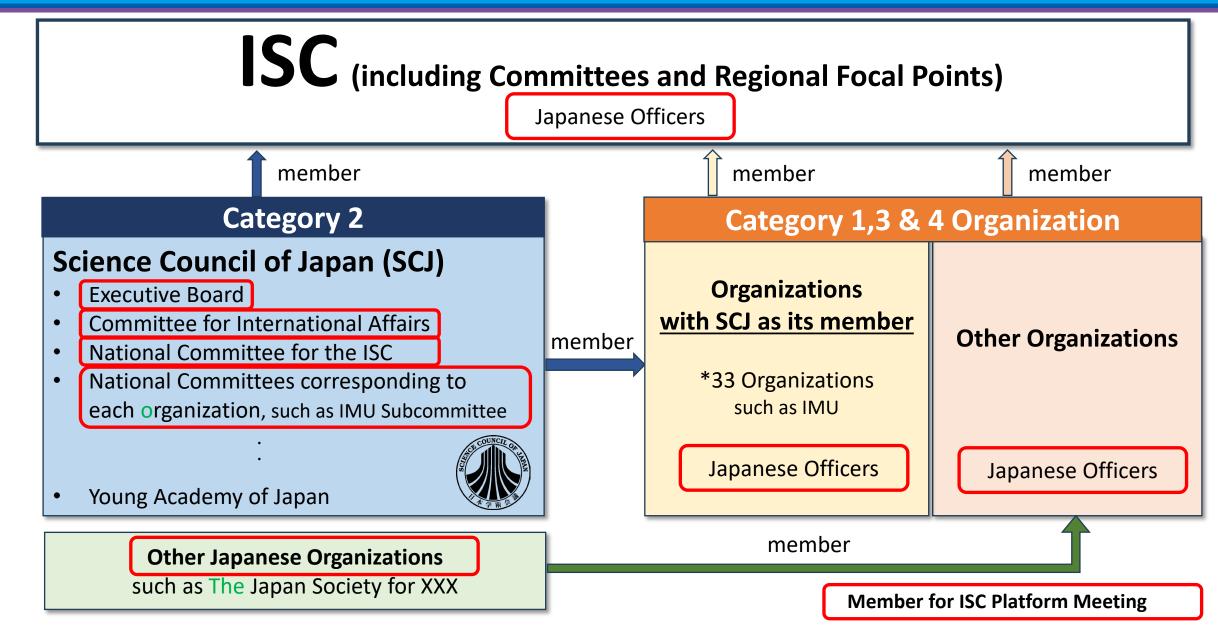
## Convey Opinions by Japanese Scientists to Government and Society







# The Partnership between ISC and the SCJ





# **Summary of the ISC Platform Meeting**

Objective

Sharing information among the members to promote collaboration concerning the activities of the ISC

Frequency

Once a year (the next meeting is scheduled for 20 February 2025)

Meeting style

Online

Agenda

Updates from Japanese Officers of the ISC activities Exchange of Opinion relating ISC activities

At the 3rd meeting in March 2024, 51 scientists participated from 42 organizations across Japan.

Additionally, the secretariat of the SCJ disseminates the quarterly message of the President of the ISC and ISC's newsletters to the members with Japanese translation/comment.



## (Reference) Outline of the Action Plan for the SCJ

## Major priorities for the SCJ during the 26th term: to fulfill a better role

- 1. Timely and speedy expression of opinion (e.g., request, statement, recommendation, advisory opinion, report and response) and enhancement of advisory functions of the SCJ
- 2. Close communication with various academic institutions for the development of the academy and to reinforce the SCJ's activities as a hub for these collaborations
- 3. Increase the SCJ's presence as the national academy of Japan in the international arena
- 4. Promotion of communication with various stakeholders, such as industry, NGOs/NPOs as well as the general public
- 5. Promotion of regional revitalization with academic activities at its core
- 6. Functional enhancement of the SCJ's information dissemination
- 7. Strengthening of the planning and operational function of the SCJ to achieve the above pillars, including expansion of the capacity of the SCJ secretariat