

Revitalization through Science, Technology, and Innovation: Town & Gown Initiative

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<u>Town</u> (Higashihiroshima City)



<u>Gown</u> (Hiroshima University)



- 1. From Collaboration to Institutional Partnership
- 2. Regional Innovation through Technology Deployment
- 3. Sustainable Regional Revitalization through Multi-Sector Co-creation
- 4. Global Hub for Talent and Knowledge Circulation

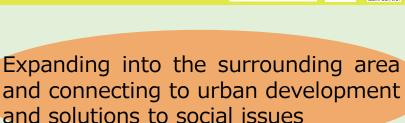


### **Collaboration with Companies**



# Hiroshima University Smart City Co-Creation Consortium









Utilizing the university campus as an innovation commons, a place for innovation creation

Hiroshima University Smart City Co-Creation Consortium. For more information, please click here.





## Higashihiroshima City-Hiroshima University

"Town & Gown" Initiative

### **Digital Transformation**

**360-Degree Camera** 

**3D Modeling of the Entire Campus** 

In collaboration with Fujita Corporation, we are conducting a pilot project for future greenfield urban development by building a digital infrastructure for the campus.

#### **Multilingual Communication Platform**

To support a comfortable life for foreign residents, the following tools are provided in six languages.

- Chatbot Frequent surveys Assistance in verbalizing medical symptoms
- General consultation service

### **Carbon Neutrality**

#### **Promoting the Use of Renewable Energy**





By installing solar power generation facilities, approximately 20% of the campus's electricity consumption is now covered by renewable energy.

#### **EV Car Sharing Program**

In collaboration with Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., we are conducting a demonstration project to explore new approaches to energy management using renewable energy.





### **Key Achievements of the Town & Gown Initiative**

#### Status of Government Funding Secured for the Town & Gown Initiative

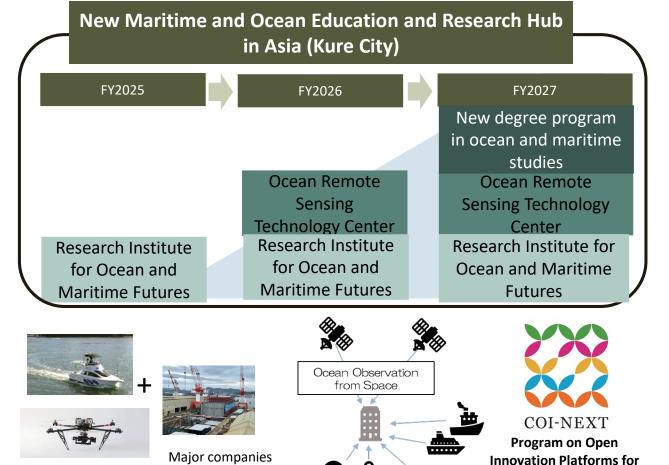
Project Name (Project Outline)	Subsidizing Agency	Fiscal Year of Subsidy	Subsidy Amount (Up to approximately)
地域中核・特色のある研究大学強化促進事業	文部科学省	2023~2028	<b>5.5 billion yen</b>
(Japan's Peak Research Universities)	MEXT		55億円
地域脱炭素移行・再エネ推進交付金	環境省	2025~2029	4.0 billion yen
(Decarbonization Leading Areas)	ENV		40億円
国立大学経営改革促進事業	文部科学省	2022~2025	1.7 billion yen
(Promoting National University Management Reforms)	MEXT		17億
大学の国際化によるソーシャルインパクト創出支援事業	文部科学省	2024~2028	450 million yen
(Multicultural Campus Project Toward Social Impact)	MEXT		4.5億円
デジタル田園都市国家構想交付金事業	内閣官房	2022,2023	170 million yen
(Vision for a Digital Garden City Nation)	CAS		1.7億円
共創の場形成支援プログラム	文部科学省	2024~2025	50 million yen
(Center of Innovation -NEXT)	MEXT		5000万円
スマートシティ実装化支援事業	国土交通省	2024~2025	12 million yen
(Smart City Project)	MLIT		1200万円



Tech startup companies

#### Agreed in July 2023, Launched in April 2025, Established Office in June 2025

Industry-academia Cocreation (COI-NEXT)



Promotion Council for the Marine Culture City of Kure (74 organizations)





Establishment of the National Town & Gown Initiative Promotion Council (October 28, 2023)

(President: Hiroshima University,

Vice president: Higashihiroshima City)

Universities and municipalities join in pairs (regular members)



Government agencies, municipalities, companies, etc.

Cooperation A model for local universities to connect with local government and local industry to contribute to the creation of local communities

Aiming to expand the Town & Gown Initiative nationwide.

