

# Challenges and Initiatives for Social Implementation in Fisheries DX for the Revival of Japan as a Maritime Nation

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Main business : Software planning, development, operation and provision of related services

Corporate philosophy : Continue to protect those who protect this country

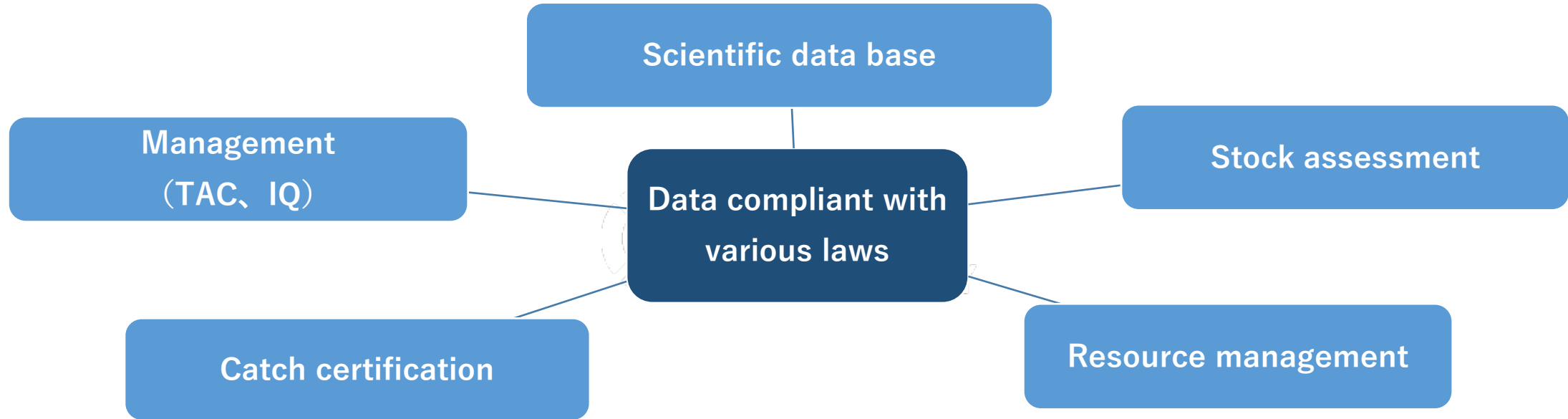
※SASEBO KOKAI SOKKISYA Co., Ltd.

Established: February 1950

Main business: Maintenance and fitting work of nautical and optical machinery mounted on naval ships

## Electronic Reporting in the Smart Fisheries Industry

Electronic reporting that links catch, operation, location and other information, is the foundation of the smart fisheries industry.



Through electronic reporting that connects a variety of information

Fishermen, fishermen's cooperatives, local governments, researchers, and related people can sustain/develop Japanese fisheries industry.

## Challenges in implementation

Cooperation of fishermen is necessary but place a big burden on them

### **【 Revenue and Cost Challenges 】**

### **【 Labor and workload challenges 】**

- Administrative and costs burden increase but no increase in revenue to fishermen
- Average annual income of coastal fishermen is low (about 2 million yen per year)  
→ Difficult to pay for ICT equipment for reporting purposes
- Creating a report from a month's worth of handwritten operation logbooks for one vessel takes about three days to do the data entry.
- With the present labor force, it is extremely difficult for the fishermen's cooperative to manage what is reported on paper.

**Set up to enable easy electronic reporting is essential.**

**Accelerating smart fisheries leads to protection of fishery cooperatives and fishermen.**

**Based on the above, we conducted verifications in several prefectures.**

# Data requirements vary by legal purpose

Data		Purpose				
		Resource management (Clauses 9 • 10)	TAC (Clauses 26 • 30)	Fishery management (Clauses 52 • 90)	Business use	Distribution (Clause 6)
ID		Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Location		Required	Required	Required	Required	Optional (Required)
		Not required	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Optional (Required)
Time		Required	Required	Required	Required	Optional (Required)
		Not required	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
Fishery effort		Required	Required	Required	Required	Optional (Required)
		Optional	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
		Optional	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
		Optional	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
Catch		Optional	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
		Optional	Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Not required
		Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
		2 out of 3 data types required Extracted data permitted	Required	Required	Required	Required
			Not required	Not required	Optional	Optional (Required)
			Not required	Optional (Required)	Optional	Optional
		Not required	Optional (Required)	Not required	Required	Not required
Others		Not required	Not required	Not required	Not required	Required

# Our initiatives (Administrative work efficiency)

## 1. Fishery

Operation info

Data entry



Logbook tailored to region and fishing method

Electronic operation logbook

## 2. Co-op and market

Journal entry

Data entry



- Batch registration of catch and price information
- Can connect to existing systems
- **Zero increase** in administrative burden

## 3. Municipalities and other administrators

Check catch report



Prefectural fishery dept.

Dramatic reduction in administration labor

Monthly catch volume in chart or graph

Catch report

Sent to research institutes, government, and agencies

### 【 Resource evaluation 】

(Research institutes)

- Research institutes and resource assessment results
- Resource management goals, etc.

### 【 Resource management goals 】

(Government agencies)

### 【 Regulations/Catch Scenarios 】

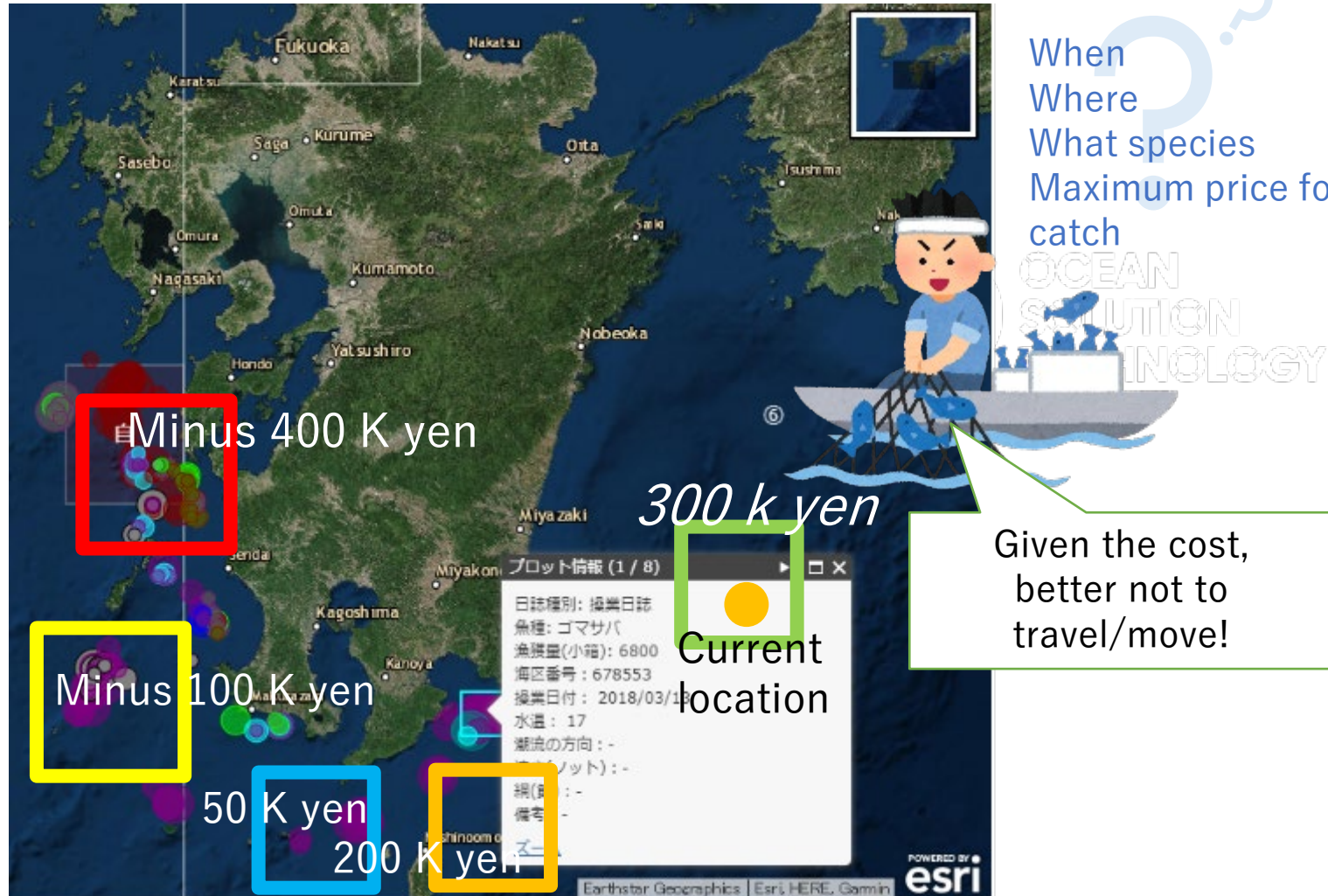
(Government agencies)

### 【 Control measures 】

- T A C • I Q • Resource Management Agreement



## AI analysis to select the most profitable and optimal fishing days and grounds



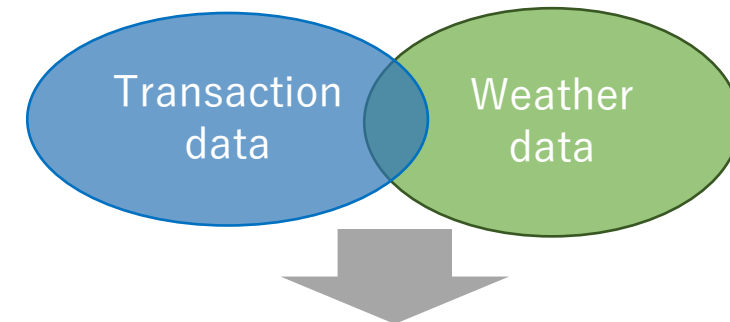
When  
Where  
What species  
Maximum price for catch

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Given the cost,  
better not to  
travel/move!

AI Prediction of Fishing Decisions Based on Logbook Data Experiment result (Wakayama Prefecture)

- Catch prediction vs actual  
82% (14 trips/17 trips)
- No catch prediction vs actual  
64% (21 trips/33 trips)



AI can provide market forecasting information, etc.

# Operation Log Entry Screen

9:59 4G

< 作業ポイント登録

海水温度  
- 選択 -

潮の向き  
- 選択 -

潮の速さ (ノット)  
- 選択 -

風向  
- 選択 -

風力 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁具漁法  
夜イカ釣り

しかけ本数  
5

小ゲタスツテ本数  
8

タナ水深 (m)  
55 m

漁獲物

+ 漁獲物を追加

メモ1

✓ 内容を保存して新規登録

Night squid fishing

9:58 4G

< 作業ポイント登録

海水温度  
- 選択 -

潮の向き  
- 選択 -

潮の速さ (ノット)  
- 選択 -

風向  
- 選択 -

風力 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁具漁法  
底びき網

水深 (メートル)  
50m

網  
- 選択 -

回転数  
- 選択 -

漁獲物

+ 漁獲物を追加

メモ1

✓ 内容を保存して新規登録

Trawl net

9:58 4G

< 作業ポイント登録

海水温度  
- 選択 -

潮の向き  
- 選択 -

潮の速さ (ノット)  
- 選択 -

風向  
- 選択 -

風力 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁具漁法  
引き網

縄本数  
- 選択 -

縄の長さ (メートル)  
- 選択 -

縄の長さ (ヒロ)  
- 選択 -

漁獲物

+ 漁獲物を追加

メモ1

✓ 内容を保存して新規登録

Sein net

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< 作業ポイント登録

海水温度  
- 選択 -

潮の向き  
- 選択 -

潮の速さ (ノット)  
- 選択 -

風向  
- 選択 -

風力 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁具漁法  
延縄

☒ 本操業

☐ エサ釣り

☐ 投入のみ

針数 (本)  
- 選択 -

針サイズ (寸)  
- 選択 -

エサ  
- 選択 -

縄の長さ (m)  
- 選択 -

水深 (m)  
- 選択 -

投縄深度 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁獲物

+ 漁獲物を追加

✓ 内容を保存して新規登録

Longline

9:58 4G

< 作業ポイント登録

(旧暦 2022年1月24日) 天気 22

海水温度  
- 選択 -

潮の向き  
- 選択 -

潮の速さ (ノット)  
- 選択 -

風向  
- 選択 -

風力 (m)  
- 選択 -

漁具漁法  
ごち網

網の幅 (m)  
目合い (節)  
- 選択 -

網丈 (m)  
網種類  
- 選択 -

おもり種類  
おもり個数 (個)  
- 選択 -

漁獲物

+ 漁獲物を追加

✓ 内容を保存して新規登録

Beach seine

Support with satellite data  
(sea water temperature, tide direction, tide speed, wind  
direction, wind force)

Fishing gear can be selected depending on the fishing  
regulation(longline: hook number, hook size, bait, rope  
length, water depth)



# Fishermen's thoughts

“What a bother”

“Can't make money”

“More work...”



## We need to improve their environment

## ■ “Fishermen’s thoughts” found through research

They know they should keep logs but

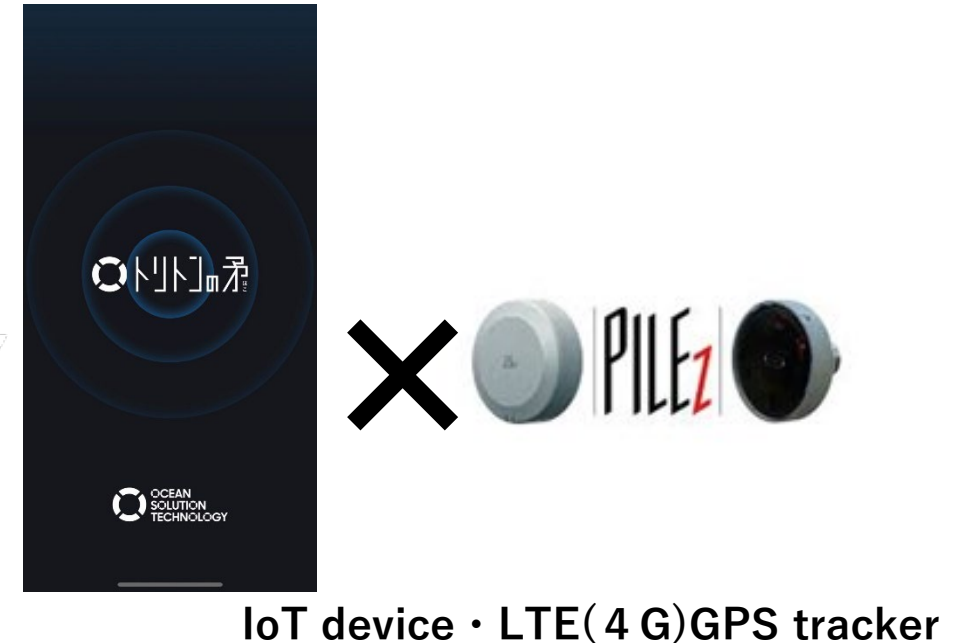
- ✓ My way is the best
- ✓ I know everything through past experience
- ✓ I can’t mess with smartphone to deal with living fish
- ✓ What a bother!



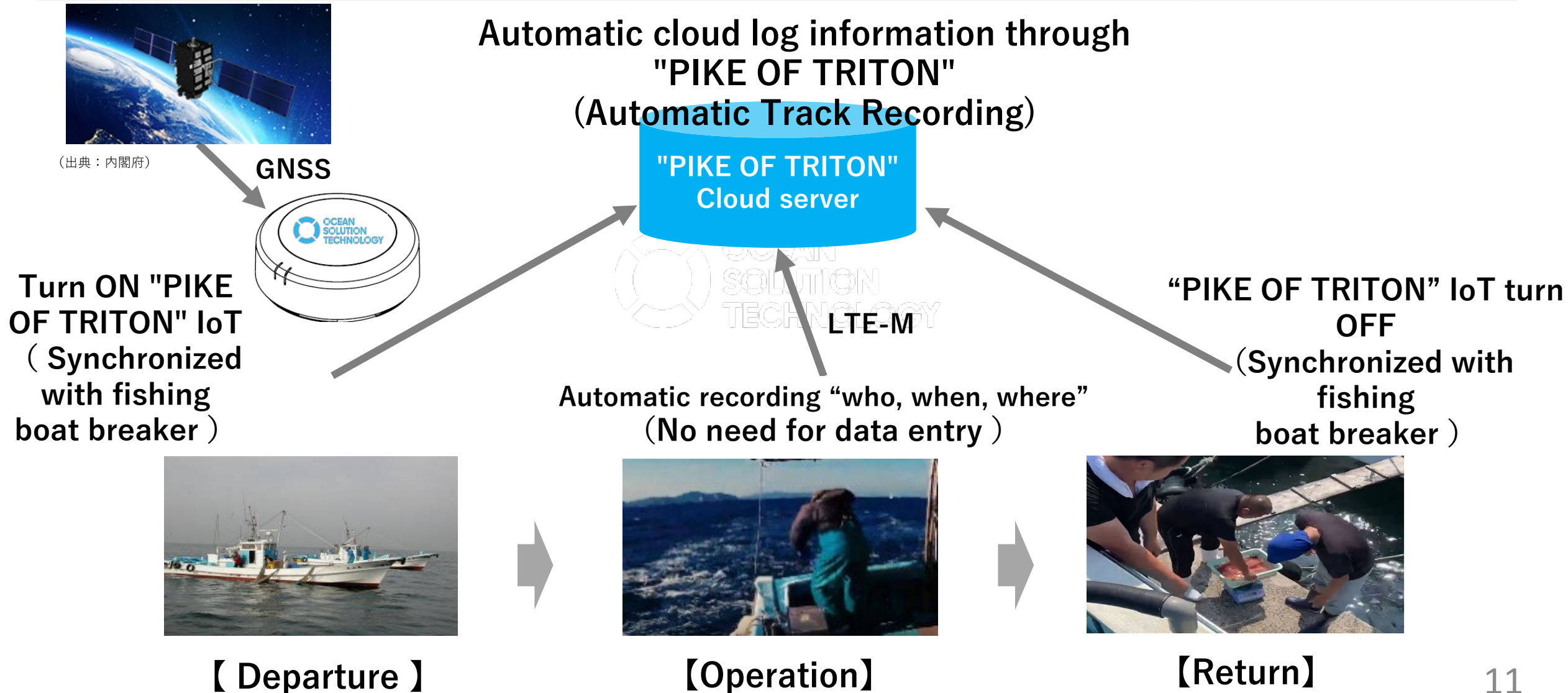
Automation of logbook is needed



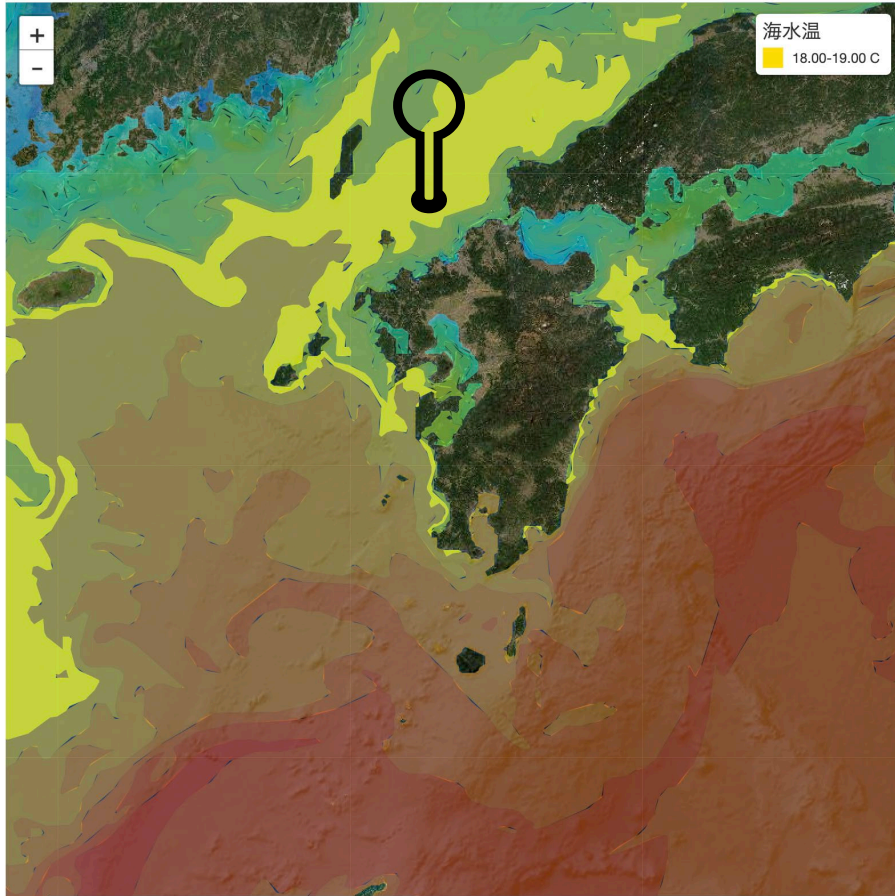
By synchronizing "PIKE OF TRITON" app with IoT device, gain automatic access to “when, where, who” information



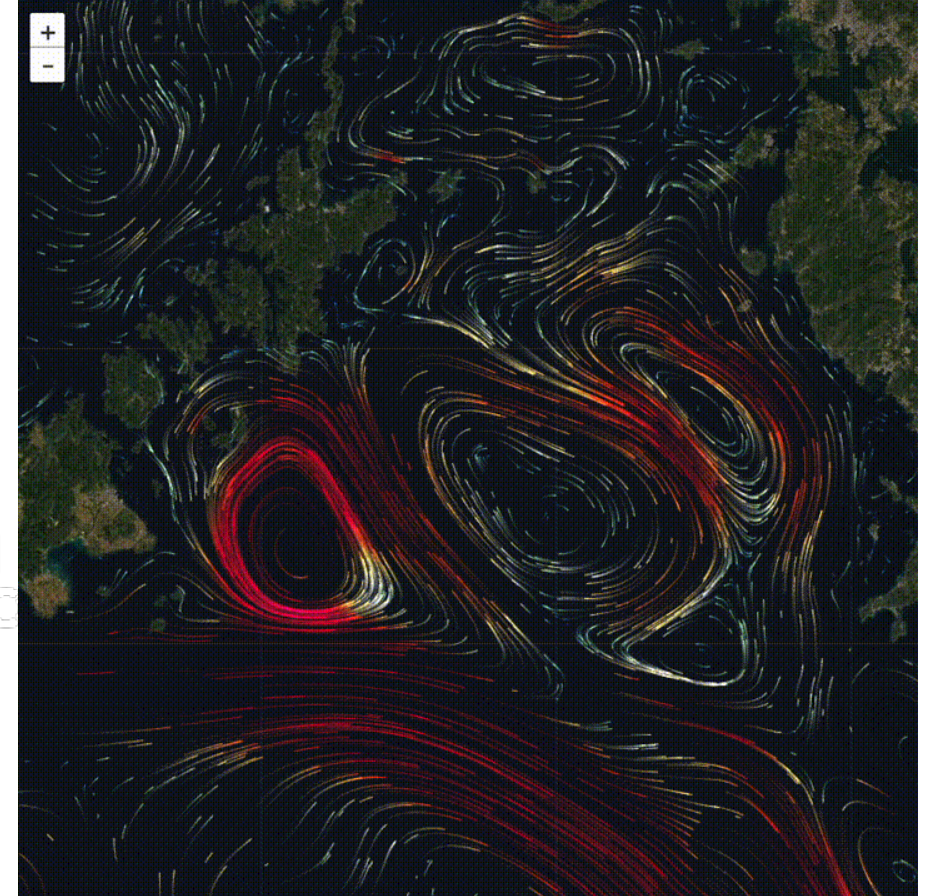
## "PIKE OF TRITON" IoT (Smart fishing boat)



# Intuitive images for sea surface temperature and ocean currents



- Fishermen's behavior →  
Search for areas with specific temperatures
- Highlight target temperature range



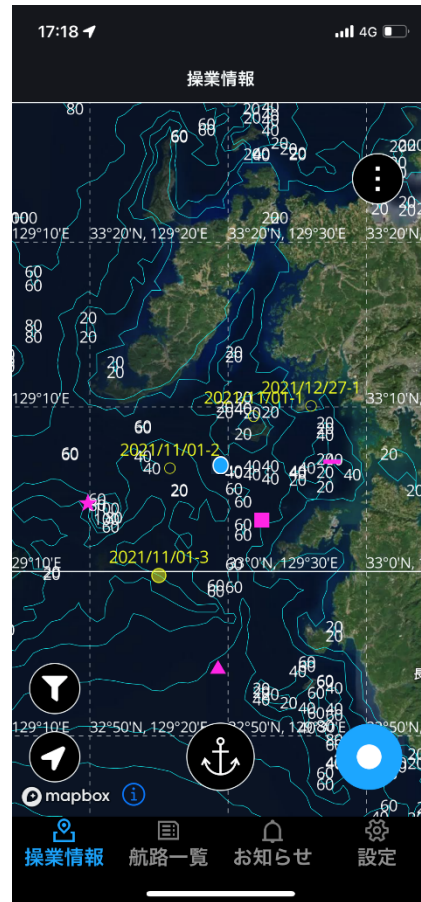
- Fishermen's behavior →  
Searching for tides
- Supports depths from 0m to 300m<sup>12</sup>



# Smartphone App Sample Screen



"PIKE OF TRITON"  
Log in



Operation info



Operation point  
Additional info



List of past routes



Route display

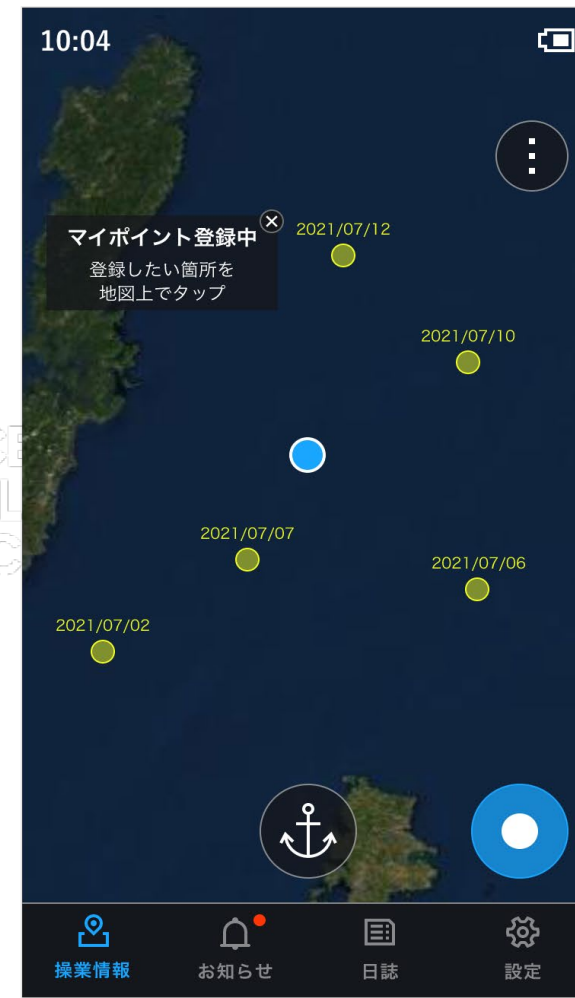
# Smartphone App Sample Screen



Catch Performance  
Indicators: Part 1



Catch Performance  
Indicators: Part 2



Register MyPoint

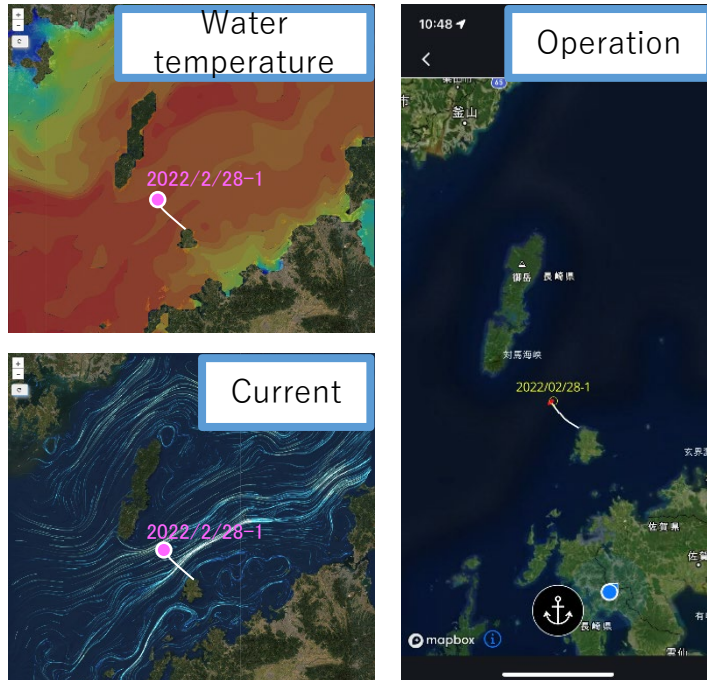


Layering satellite data  
and historical  
operations



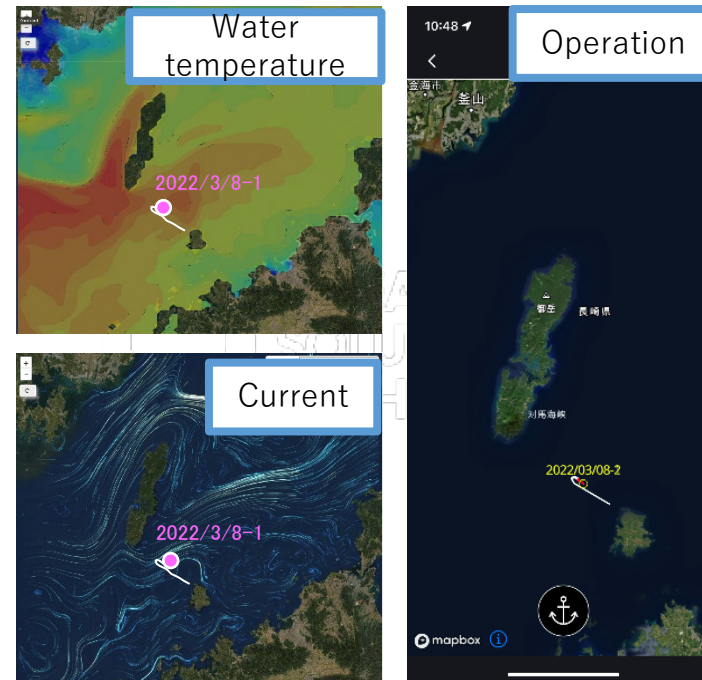
Layers of oceanographic and operational data obtained from satellite data

Fishing method : Pole fishing



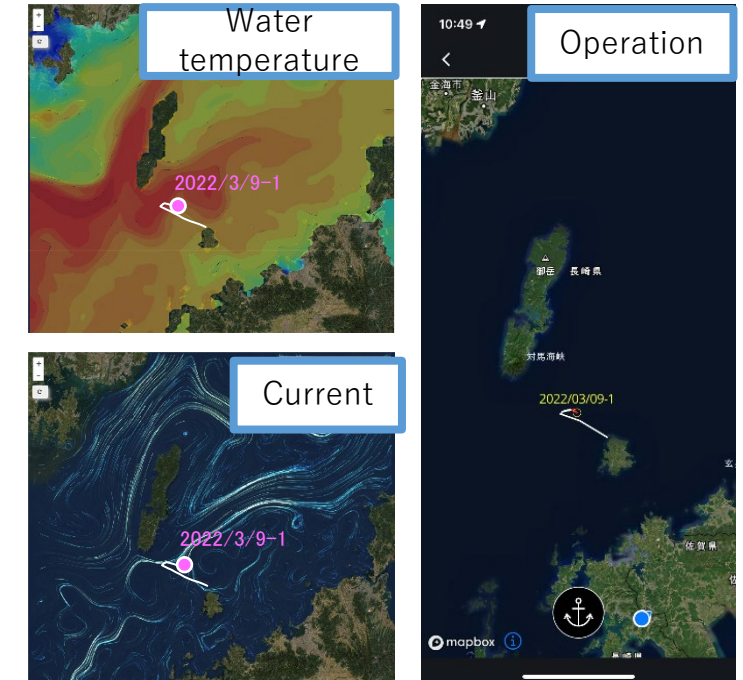
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Catch result : 3 Tuna  
3 Japanese millet  
1 Goldstriped amberjack  
12 Yellowtail



2022/3/8















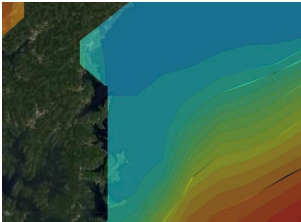
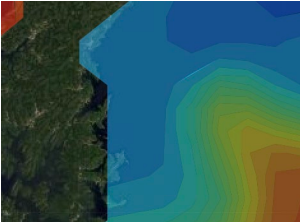
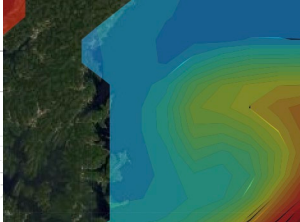
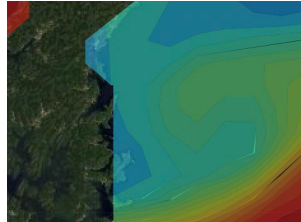
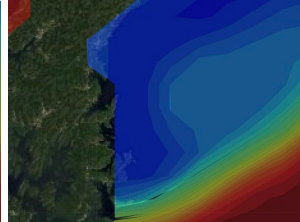
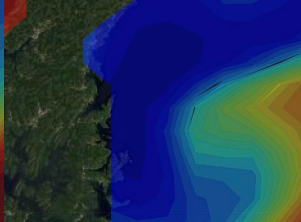
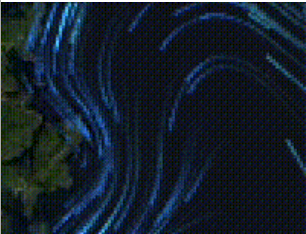
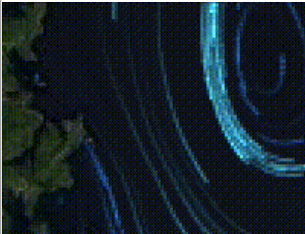
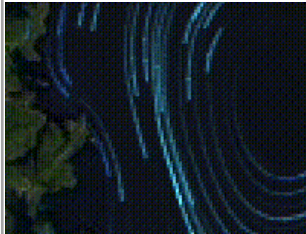
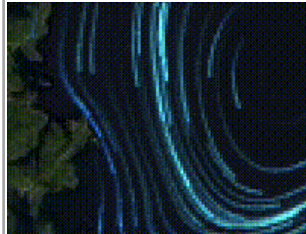
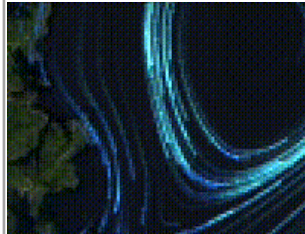
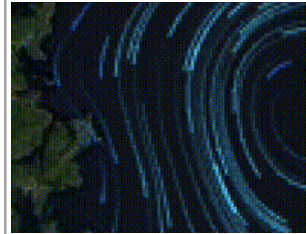
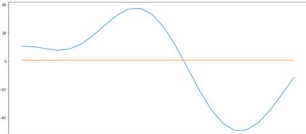
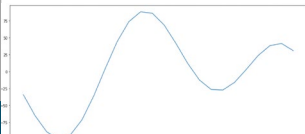
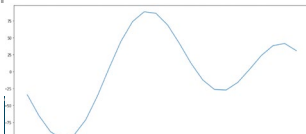
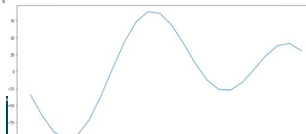
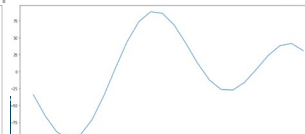
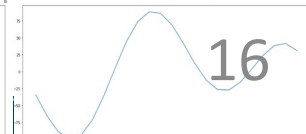
Catch result : 6 Tuna  
2 Japanese millet  
2 Goldstriped amberjack



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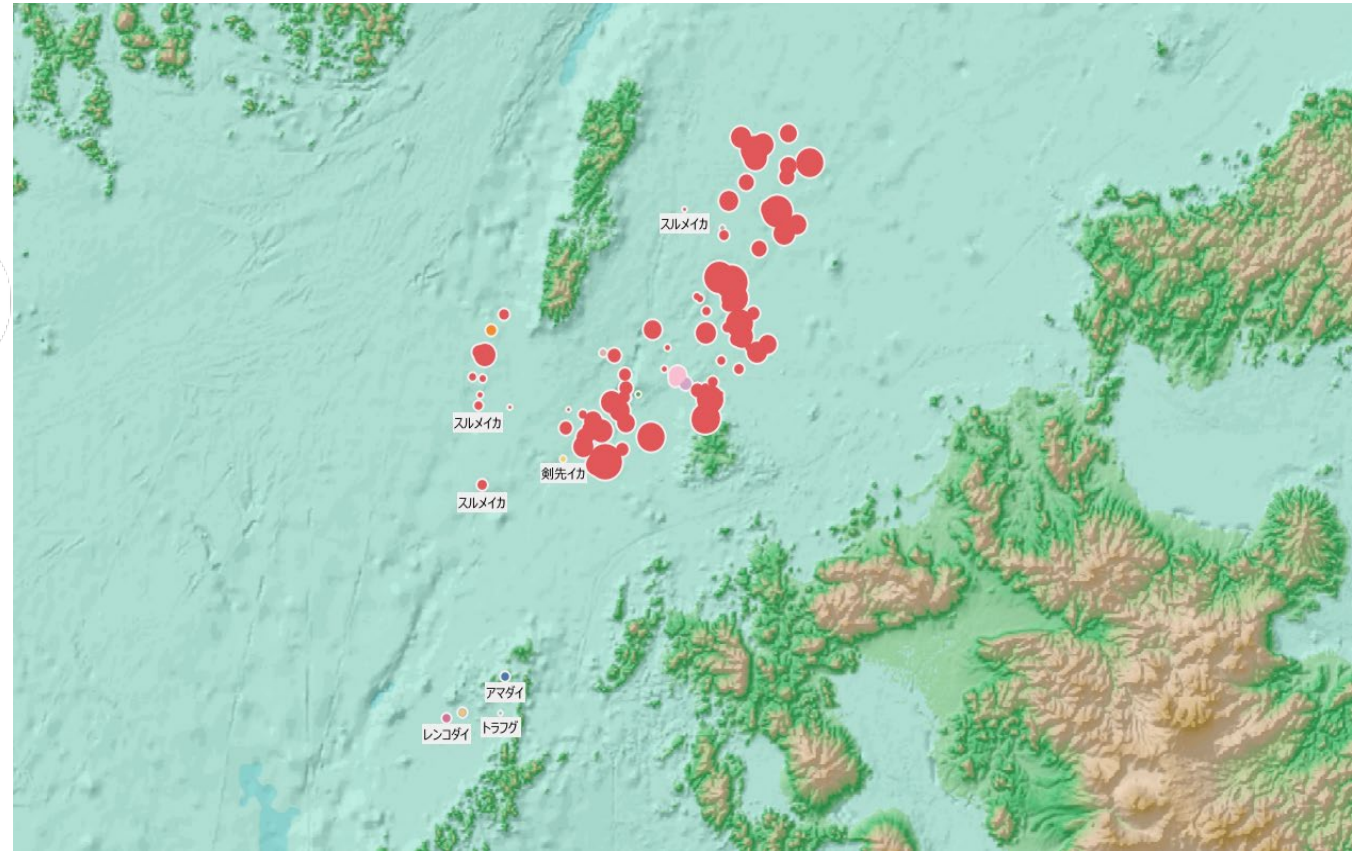
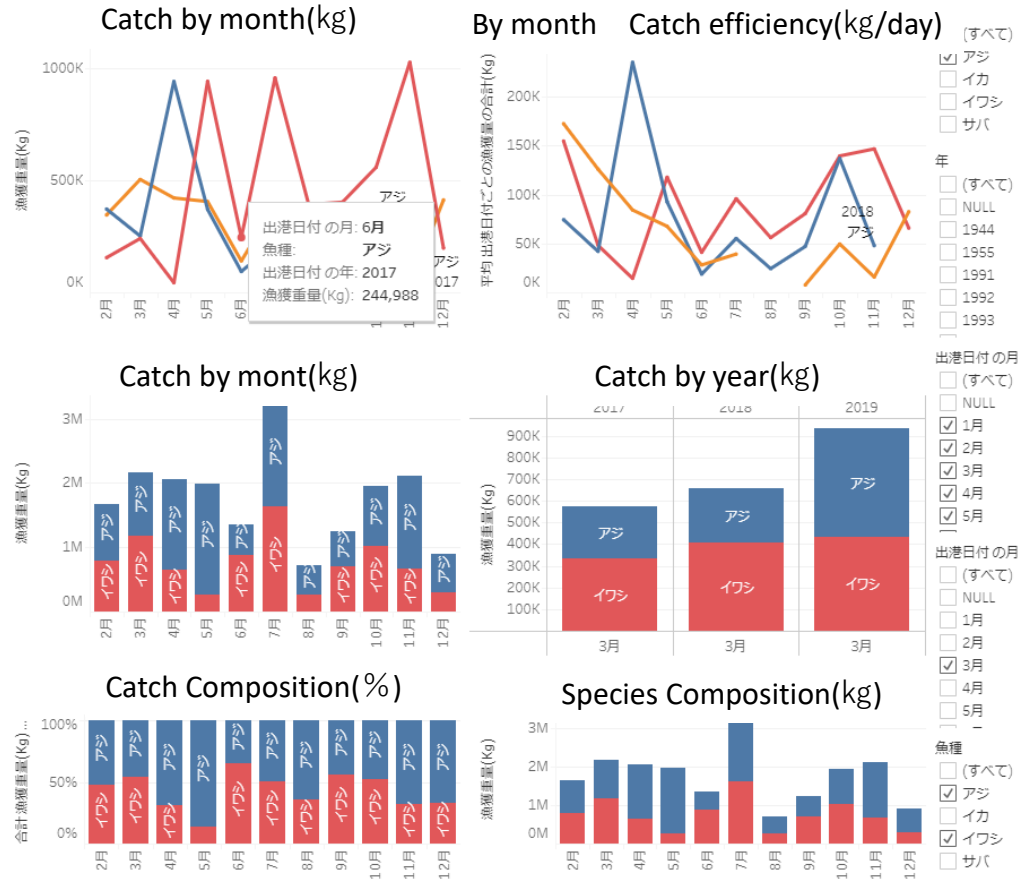
Catch result : 1 Tuna  
4 Yellowtail

# Weekly AI Sea Conditions Forecast Visual

Fishing ground	At 9AM	Today <div>Moon phase 4</div> 	Tomorrow <div>Moon phase 5</div> 	Day after tomorrow <div>Moon phase 6</div> 	3 days later <div>Moon phase 7 (First quarter)</div> 	4 days later <div>Moon phase 8</div> 	5 days later <div>Moon phase 9</div> 
<div>Tsushima coast</div> <div>123 miles from location</div> 	AI Catch Prediction				 	 	
	Water temperature	14.4°C 	13.5°C 	13.6°C 	13.9°C 	13.2°C 	13.0°C 
	Current	0.19 kn 	0.073 kn 	0.020 kn 	0.047 kn 	0.14kn 	0.29 kn 
	Tide	High: 21:41 Low: 3:21 Difference:138cm 	High 22:10 Low: 3:51 Difference:149cm 	High: 22:37 Low: 16:29 Difference: 152cm 	High: 10:47 Low: 16:55 Difference: 148cm 	High: 11:13 Low: 17:25 Difference: 138cm 	High: 0:00 Low: 17:59 Difference: 121cm 



## Visualization of operational information entered into the app

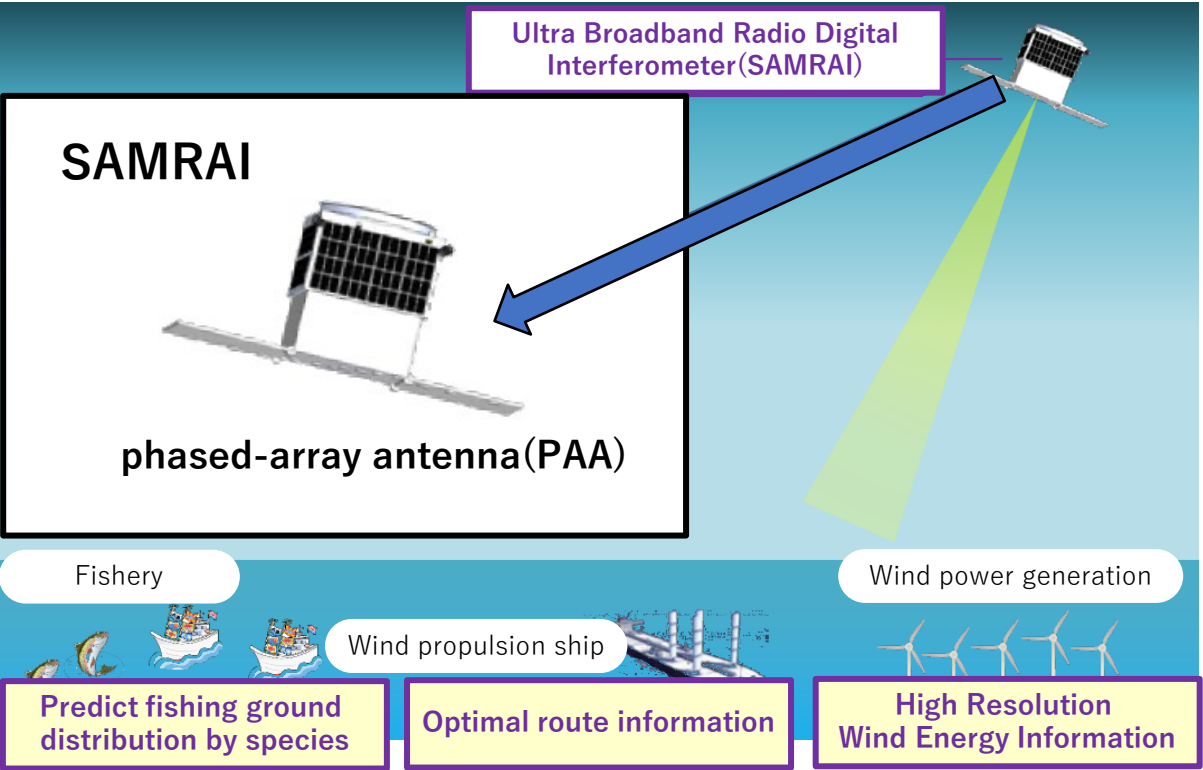



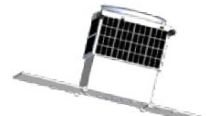
2021 Japan Science and Technology Agency  
(JST) Mirai Program (Large-scale type project)

## Social Contributions through SAMRAI

Development and verification of radar  
and radiometer using ultra broadband  
antenna

Innovative microwave measurement technology  
for a safe, secure, and smart society





	【First phase】 SAMRAI on airborne machines	【Second phase】 SAMRAI on satellite
External schedule	 <div>Develop/evaluate : 2022~2023</div>	 <div>Develop/evaluate : 2022~2027 Operate/verify : 2027~2030 Implementation (with another satellite) : 2031~</div>

**Ultra Broadband Radio Digital Interferometer : SAMRAI** (Scanning **A**rray for hyper-**M**ultispectral **R**adiowave **I**maging) **Feature** For sea surface salinity, water temperature, and sea surface wind speed, microwaves are observed in a continuous spectrum of 1 to 41 GHz at 27 MHz intervals over a wide area, removing the influence of artificial radio waves.

## JAXA and Ocean Solution Technology cooperate for social contribution through SAMRAI

Agreement  
(New)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provision of ocean observation data by aircraft-mounted SAMRAI</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The results of surveys and analysis of user needs related to fisheries/fisheries, etc., and the results of business plan studies</li><li>• Information on fishing decisions using observation data from aircraft-mounted SAMRAI</li><li>• Evaluation/verification results</li></ul>

Analyze logbooks, weather/sea conditions,  
etc. with "PIKE OF TRITON" AI engine



Fishing Decision /  
Fishing Site Selection

- 【Effects on fishery】
- Prevent unproductive trips
  - Reduce operation time
  - Reduce fuel costs
  - No experience required to operate

Building a value chain from data to information customers value

Using operational data to  
provide information for  
production area



# Using QR codes



## Fishery

### Smartphone APP ("PIKE OF TRITON")

#### Operation information

- When
- Where
- Whom

#### 水揚げ QR 表示

出港日時: 2/18 14:04  
帰港日時: 2/18 14:04



#### QR code created

船名: 第五太平丸  
水揚げ港: 鐘崎  
魚種: サワラ  
漁法: 引き縄

戻る

- Blockchain-based tamper-proof



## Fishery Co-op

#### Catch composition information

- What
- How much



#### "PIKE OF TRITON" Co-op management screen

出港日時	船名	魚種	重量	価格	備考
2022/02/18 14:04	第五太平丸	サワラ	10.5kg	10.5kg	
2022/02/18 14:04	第五太平丸	サワラ	10.5kg	10.5kg	
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2022/02/18 14:04	第五太平丸	サワラ	10.5kg	10.5kg	

#### Attach QR and ship out



- Supports shipping management
- TAC management based on catch information



## Consumer



#### Information for consumers

#### お魚情報

漁業種別: 海野 太平  
船名: 第五太平丸  
魚種名: サワラ  
水揚げ港: 鐘崎漁港  
ご紹介ページ: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S3EqYzAYmyY>

#### Operation information

- When
- Where
- Whom

#### Catch information

- What
- How much

- Check information on seafood products
- Obtain information on fish deals
- Branding increases desire for purchase



SNS Information on Fishermen's Co-op Recipes & Menu ideas

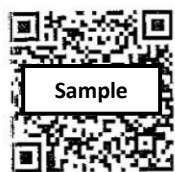
## Accurate data

With approval by fishery

Can be used for fisheries resource management in cooperation with national and government agencies 21

# Disseminating information to consumers

By reading the QR code attached to the product, information on the fish (species, fisherman, vessel, landing, and URL for recipes, menus, videos, etc.) is provided.



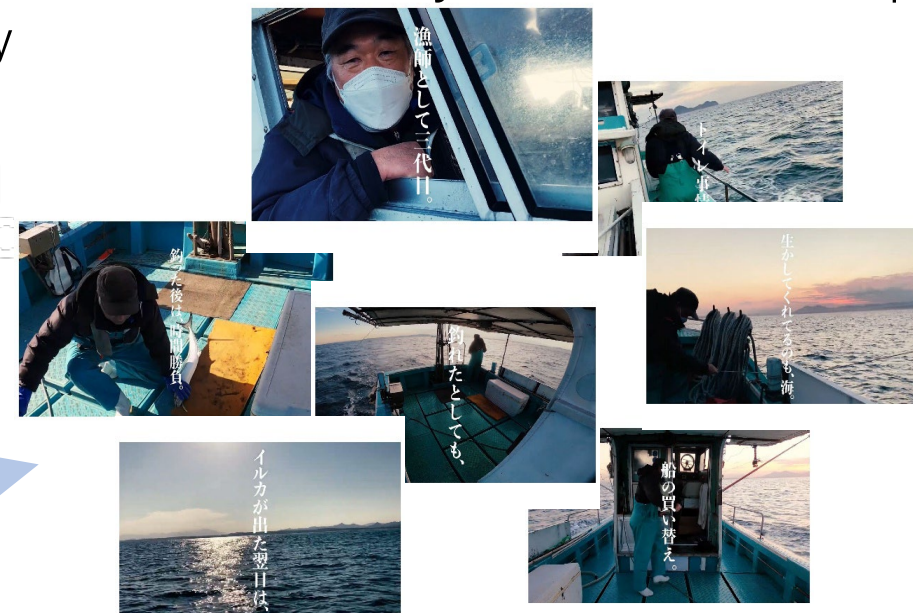
No 5 Taheimaru  
Spanish  
Mackerel

Fish information



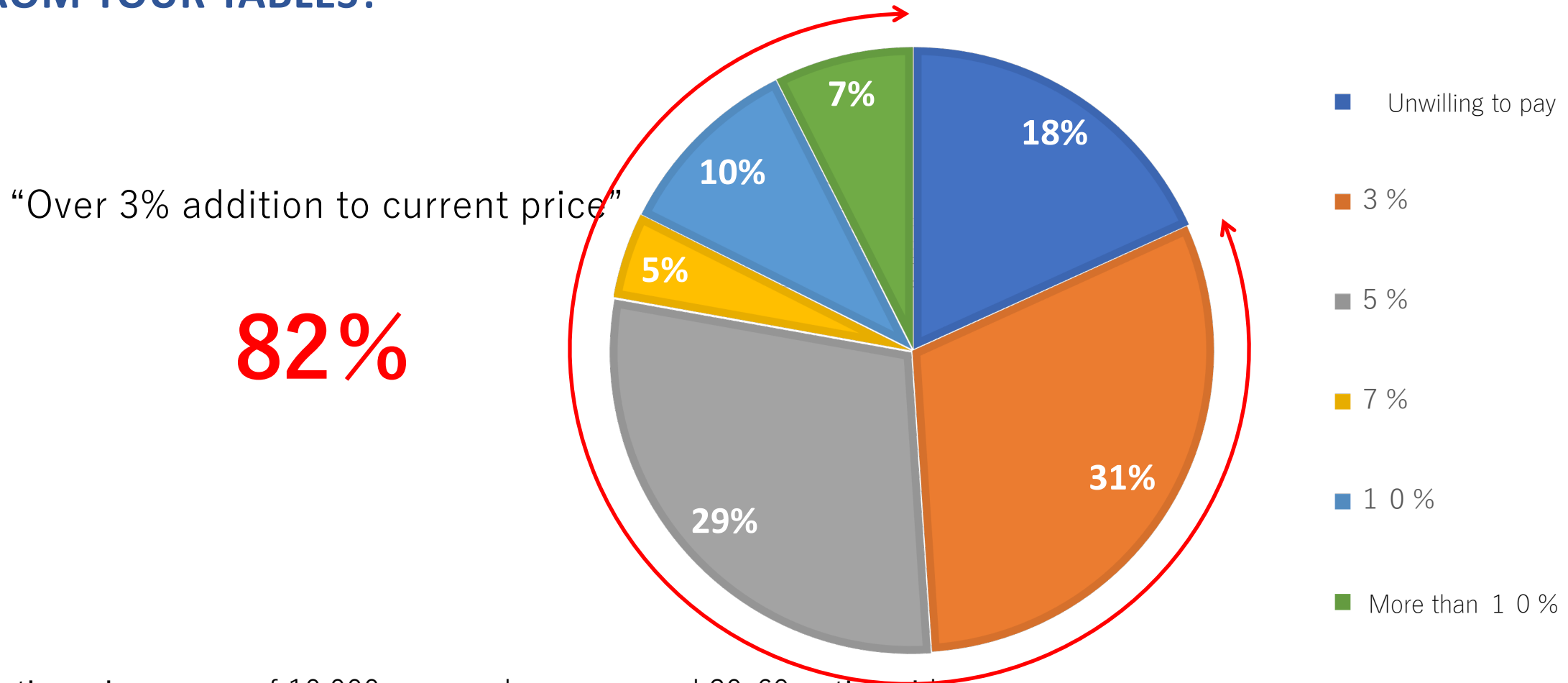
- Emphasizes the importance of traceability of marine products using QR codes
- Emphasize the time and effort by fishermen to keep fish fresh and tasty

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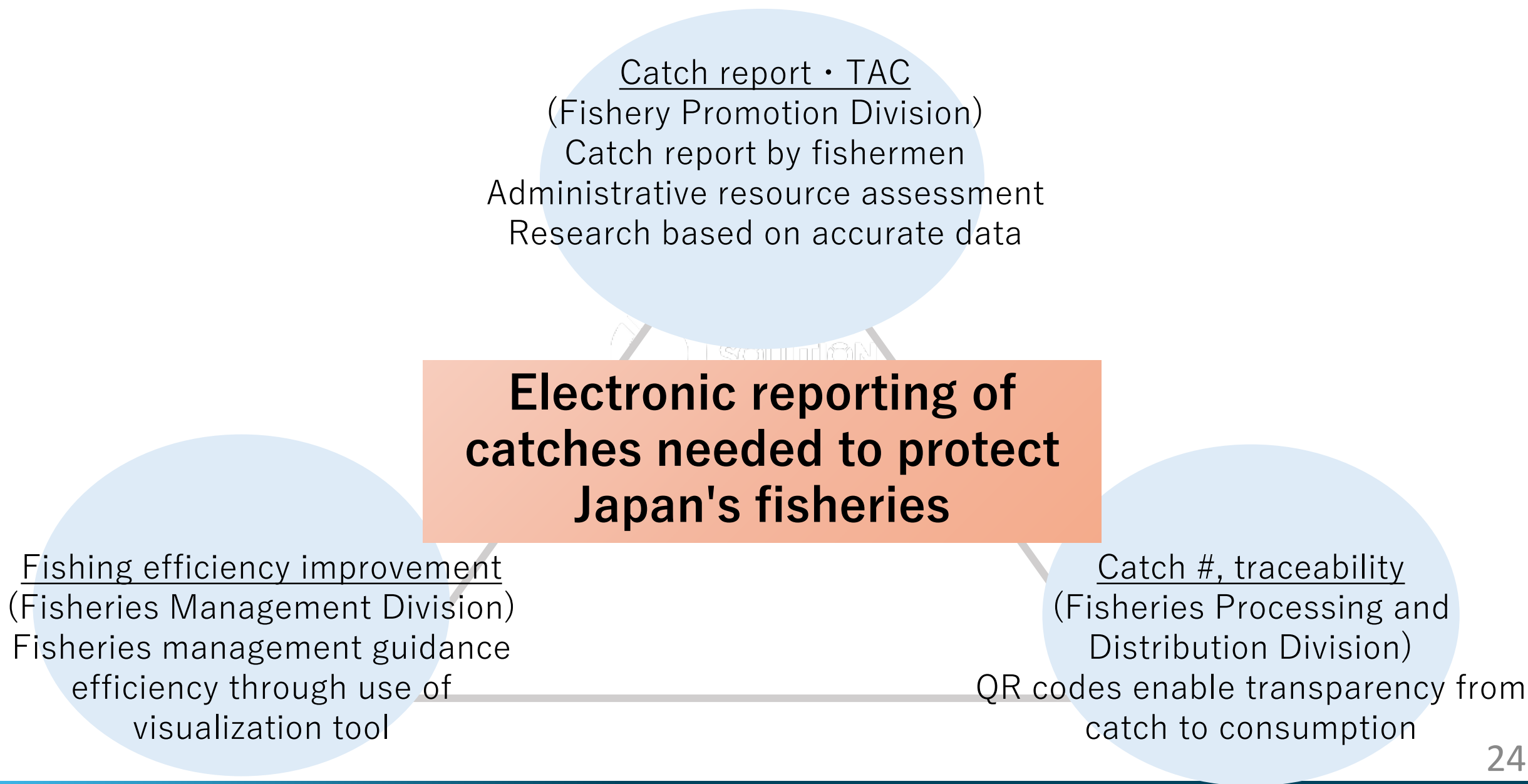


Safe and secure food on the table

HOW MUCH MORE ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY TO ENSURE A STABLE SUPPLY OF SEAFOOD SO THAT "SEAFOOD CAUGHT IN JAPAN'S OCEANS" DO NOT DISAPPEAR FROM YOUR TABLES?



Questionnaire survey of 10,000 men and women aged 20-69 nationwide.





**Facing social issues such as:**

- Serious aging issues of the domestic fisheries industry**
- Lack of successors for the next generation**
- Significant decrease in marine product resources**

**We provide services that:**

- Support the transformation and development of the fisheries industry aiming for both sustainable fisheries industry with high profitability.**

Thank you