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Welcome to the 28th Geant4 Collaboration Meeting

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COVID19

- The pandemic has never ceased
 - We don't know the exact situation because the Japanese government stopped counting the number of new patients in May
 - The average wait time of ambulances observed recently is much longer than usual
 - Hospitals are also very busy
- Wash your hands very well
- Don't hesitate to use face masks anytime
- Expect higher risks in narrow and not-well ventilated rooms



J-Alert

- Don't be scared even if you hear loud siren from all of cell phones around you! In most cases nothing happens.
- J-Alert is the Japan's nationwide emergency alert system
 - Ballistic missile information, tsunami warnings, earthquake early warnings, etc.
- Cell phones sold in Japan including iPhone have the ability to receive J-Alert and sound a loud siren automatically
 - Siren sound for ballistic missiles
 - <https://www.kokuminhogo.go.jp/data/siren.mp3>
- Check closest emergency exits and route to outside
 - Follow locals





WIFI

- Only Eduroam works
- If you don't have an Eduroam account, please contact Takashi



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Lunch

- Lunch is not included
- Restaurants and shops are available nearby



Welcome back!

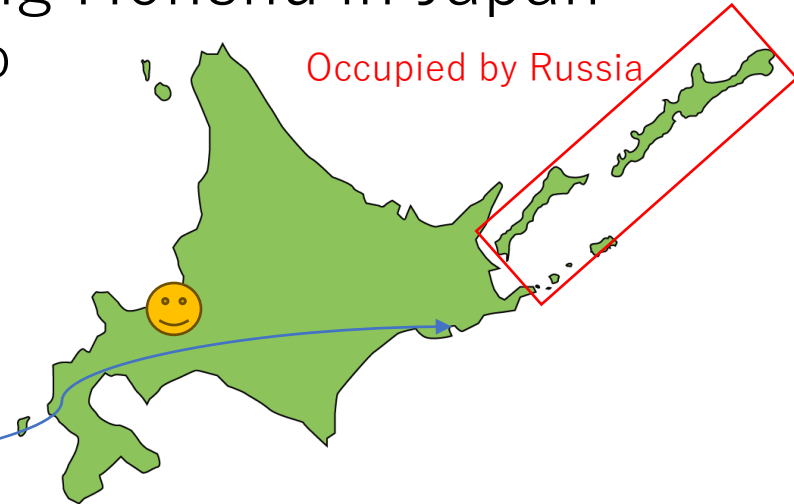
- **This is the 4th collaboration meeting in Japan**

- 3rd meeting at Niigata(1998)
 - Worked very hard toward for the first release
 - Sake and sushi
- 13rd meeting at Kobe(2008)
 - Sake brewery visit
- 20th meeting at Okinawa(2014)
 - Awamori (hard require) and whole tuna fish
- 28th meeting at Sapporo(2023)
 - Have a fun!



Welcome to Sapporo!

- Hokkaido is the second biggest island, following Honshu in Japan
 - A heavy snowfall zone on the west side of Hokkaido
 - Powder snow paradise and lots of ski resorts
 - It is breezy but dry in winter in the east side
 - Smaller population than other major islands
 - Known by good foods also
 - You cannot miss Ramen, seafood, lamb, melons...
 - Personally, I love oysters from the **Akkeshi** region
- Sapporo is the 5th most populated city in Japan
 - Almost the same altitude as cities such as
 - Rome (Italy), Marseille (France), Boston and Chicago (USA)



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Joint meeting

- Collaboration meeting
 - 50 people registered
- Training course
 - 40 people registered
 - 5 are duplicated with the collaboration meeting
 - 13 instructors in volunteer
 - Tsukasa Aso is the principal
 - Please encourage novice users whenever you have a chance!
 - They will join the technical forum on Thursday



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Social events

- Reception
 - 18:00 on Sep. 25th Monday (today)
 - @North COOP restaurant (the next north building)
 - Take your family!
 - Buffet and drinks
- Collaboration dinner (jointly with training course participants)
 - Sep. 27th Wednesday
 - Garden Grill @Sapporo Bier Garten
 - <https://www.sapporo-bier-garten.jp/global/english.html>
 - “Genghis Khan” , sea foods and drinks (All-You-Can-Drink)
 - **No transportation provided**
 - Take a taxi or bus for Sapporo Bier Garten
 - 9-2-10, Kita7Jo, Higashi-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido, 065-0007
- Excursion and facility tours were canceled



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Thank the local hosts

- Prof. Taeko Matsuura
- Dr. Ye CHEN
 - A member of EM WG



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 - MPEXS series software is the first commercial GPU accelerated dose calculation engine
 - **Academic versions will be available through KEK**



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