

CARATS

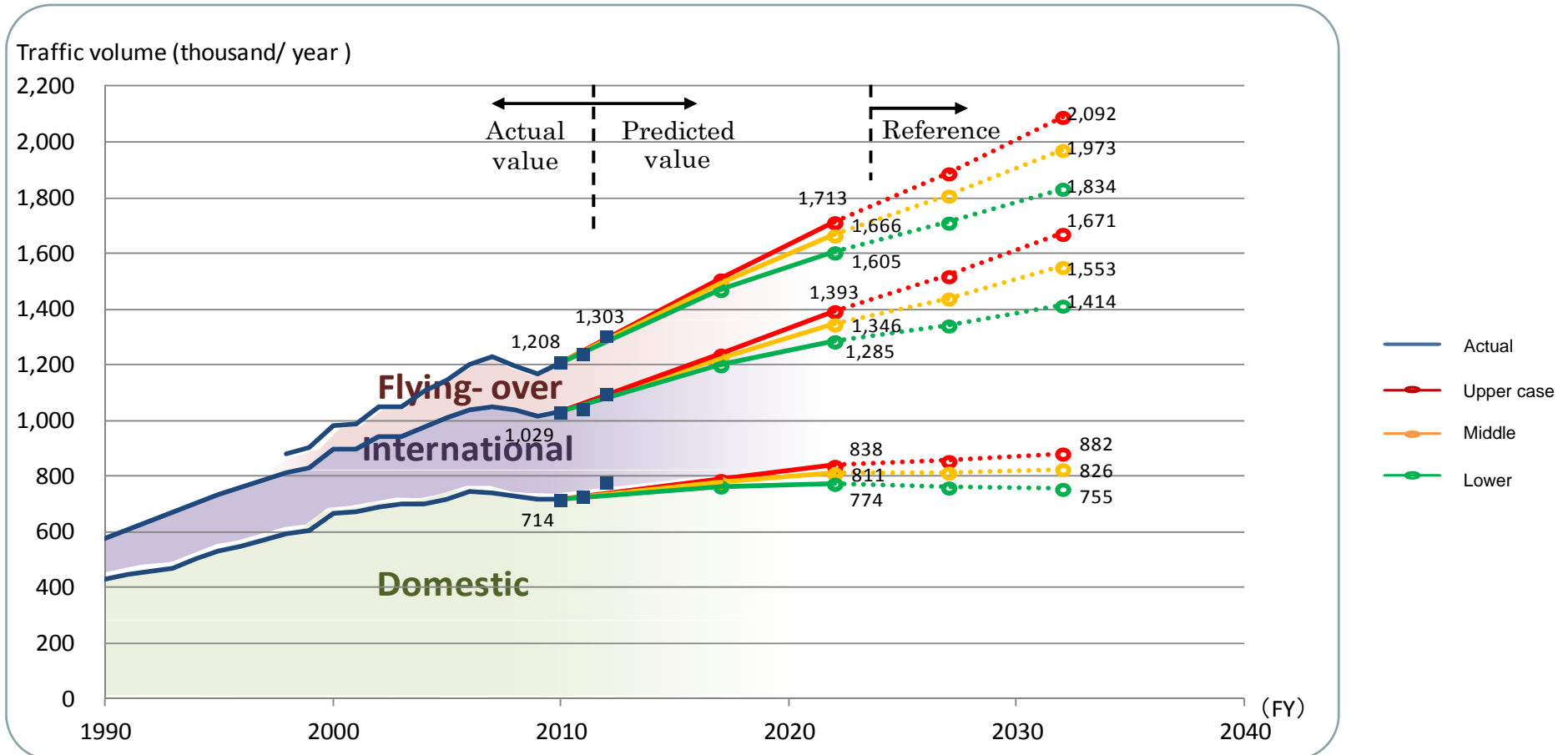
(Collaborative Actions for Renovation of Air Traffic Systems)



Background

Demand forecast of air traffic in Japan

- International flight and flying-over are increased. Domestic flight is dependent on the case of GDP.
- Even if GDP is estimated low, the number of aircrafts will exceed the limit of air traffic control capacity around 2025.
- The demand may go up rather than this forecast by further promotion of inbound tourism and the growth of LCC.



* Basic case of GDP is set up based on the economic growth rate which is a target of the Japanese future strategy.

(economic growth rate is set up to 1.7% from 2010 to 2017 and 2.0% from 2017 to 2032)

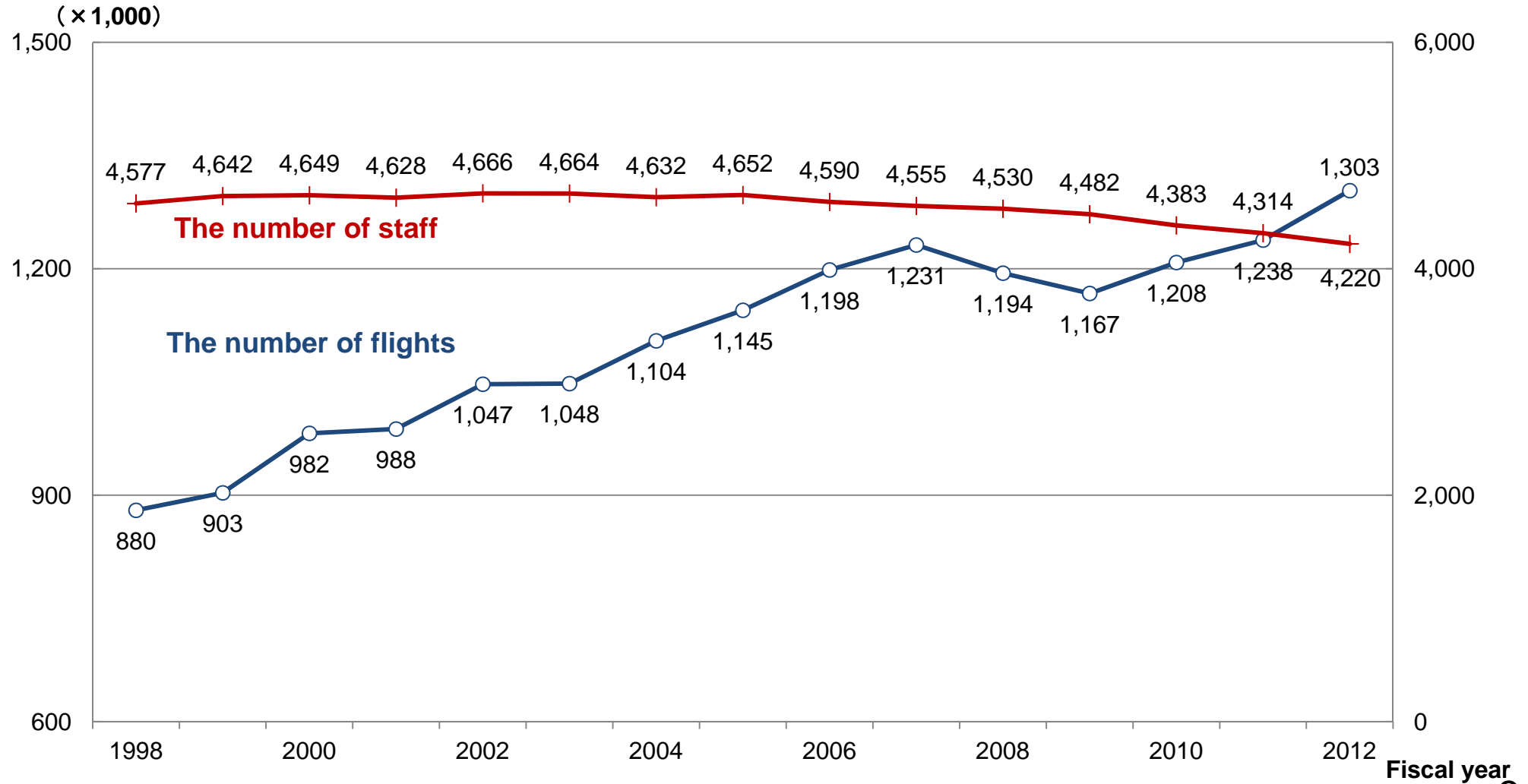
* In upper case, economic growth rate is set up 1% higher than basic case.

• In lower case, economic growth rate is set up 1% lower than basic case.

• The number of IFR flights is that to add military, non-scheduled and cargo flights to those above.

Transition of the number of flights and the number of staff

- The number of flights increased 1.5 times in the past 15 years.
 - The number of staffs decreased slightly every year.
- ➡ We have conducted air traffic services corresponding to the increase of air traffic demand by the enhancement of systems and the improvement of productivity.



*The staffs include air traffic controller, air traffic communication specialist, air navigation service engineer, aeronautical lighting and electricity specialist and aeronautical satellite operations specialist.

CARATS Overview

- 2009~2010 Development of long-term vision

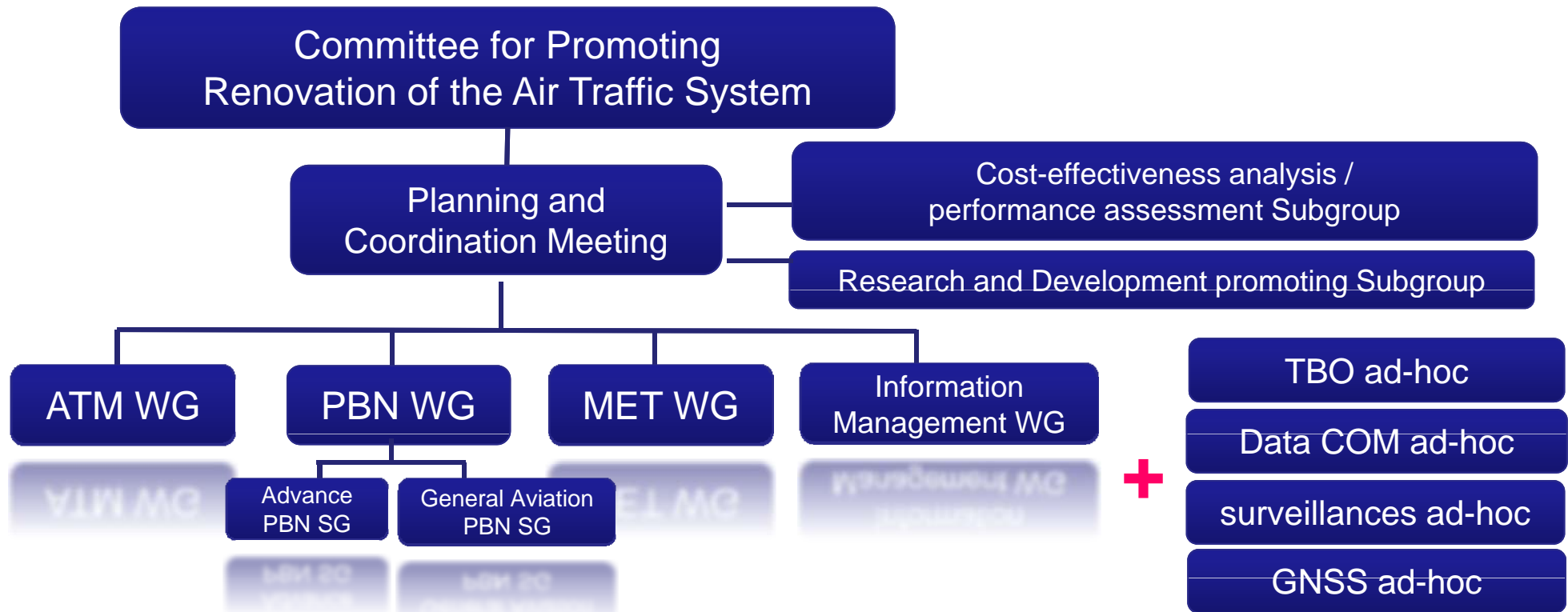
- Establishment of “Study group for Promoting Renovation of the Air Traffic System”
- Development and promulgation of “Collaborative Actions for Renovation of Air Traffic Systems” (CARATS)



- 2010~2011 Development of roadmap for each measures

- Establishment of “Committee for Promoting Renovation of the Air Traffic System”
- Consideration of concrete measures and development of roadmap

- 2011 ~ Implementation of the measures



*ATM: Air Traffic Management, PBN: Performance Based Navigation, RNAV: aRea NAVigation

- The committee manages whole CARATS activity.
- Each concrete discussion of the measure is carried out in each WGs, ad-hoc and SG under the PBN WG.
- All of these meetings are collaborative activity in which JCAB, research institute, manufacturer and airline have participated.

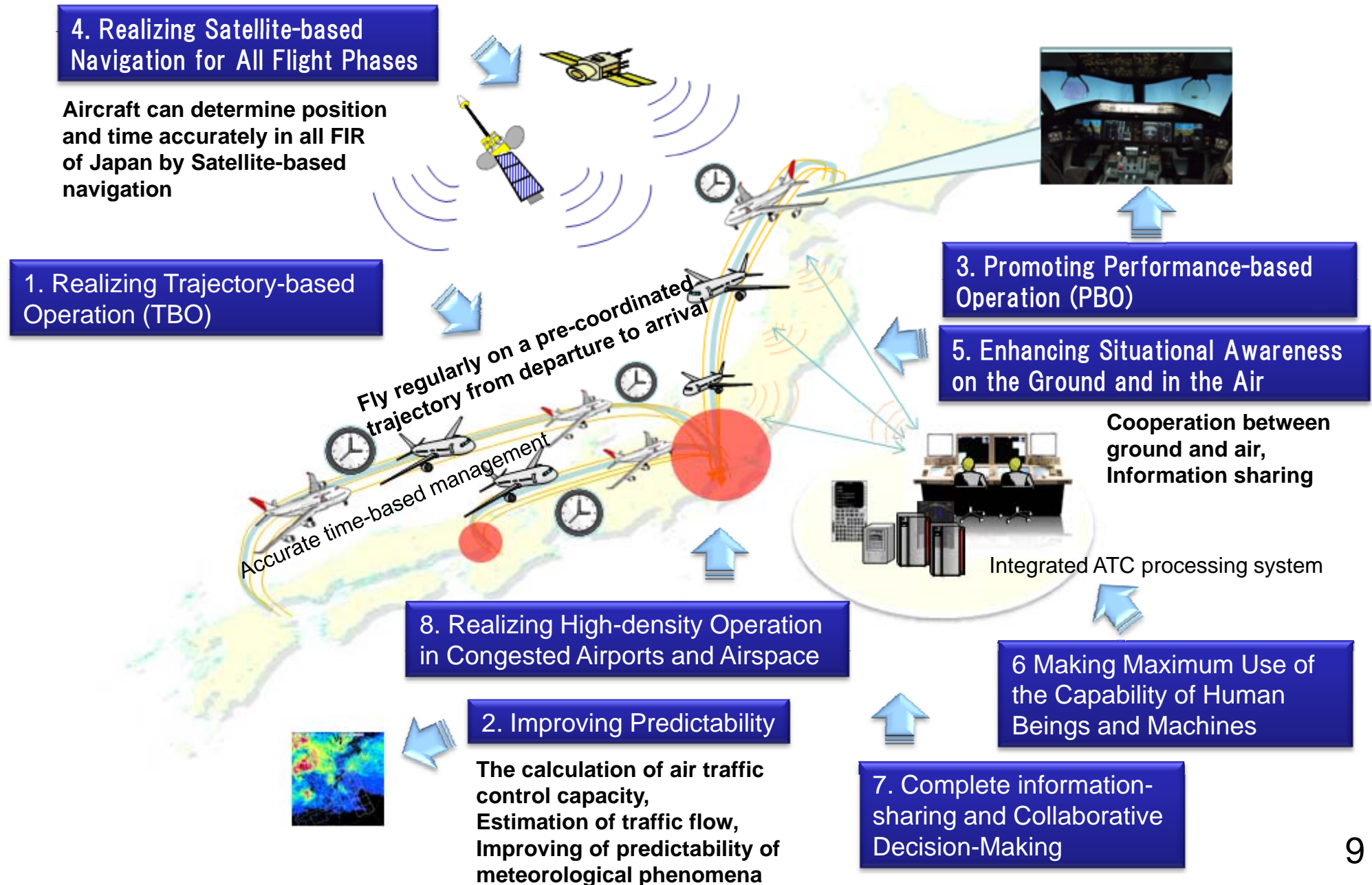
Objectives to be achieved by 2025 (clarifying numerical targets)

Objective	Numerical target
Enhancing safety	Increase safety level by 5 times
Responding to the increase in air traffic volume	Double the air traffic control capacity in congested airspace
Improving user conveniences	Improve services level (punctuality and reduction of flight time) by 10%
Improving operational efficiency	Reduce fuel consumption per flight by 10%
Improving productivity of air traffics services	Improve productivity of air traffic services by 50% or more
Responding to environmental issues	Reduce CO2 emissions per flight by 10%
Enhancing the international presence of Japan in the aviation field	(Qualitative objective)

Development of indicators for checking the status of implementation of the CARATS measures
Progressing CARATS measures steadily and monitoring and analyzing them continuously

Objective and Numerical target	Outline of indicator
1 Enhancing safety (Increase safety level by 5 times)	The number of aircraft accident and important incident resulting from ATC (the average number for the past five years)
2 Responding to the increase in air traffic volume (Double the air traffic control capacity in congested airspace)	(Under consideration)
3 Improving user conveniences (Improve services level by 10%)	Punctuality : The rate of the arrival delay flights exceeding 15 minutes
	Actual operation rate : The flight cancellation rate by the influence of the weather (the average rate for the past three years)
	Rapidness: Flight time of Gate-to-Gate of main routes.
4 Improving operational efficiency (Reduce fuel consumption per flight by 10%)	The amount of the fuel consumption per flight in main routes
5 Improving productivity of air traffic services (Improve productivity of air traffic services by 50% or more)	The flight plan operation number of each air traffic controller
	The flight plan operation number to the maintenance expense (the average number for the past three years)
6 Responding to environmental issues (Reduce CO2 emissions per flight by 10%)	The amount of the CO2 emissions per flight in main routes

Direction of renovation of CARATS



In order to establish future air traffic systems in a planned manner based on the CARATS, it is necessary to prepare a roadmap specifying measures to be taken through collaboration among the parties concerned and put short-term measures into action first, while carrying out R&D in a planned manner regarding long-term measures.

From this viewpoint, the MLIT prepared the CARATS Roadmap in March 2011.

The roadmap specifies 64 measure that needs to be taken in order to achieve the CARATS, and categorizes them into measures intended to improve operation (operational improvements (OI)) and measures relating to technology necessary for enabling such improvement (enablers (EN)).

Legend of the CARATS Roadmap



Preparation for the introduction of measures (upon the completion of preparation, it will be possible to launch the improved operation.)



R&D and other activities to be carried out before deciding to introduce the measure



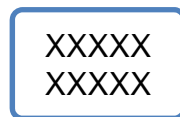
Decision to introduce the measure



Decision to introduce the measure (when there are two options.)



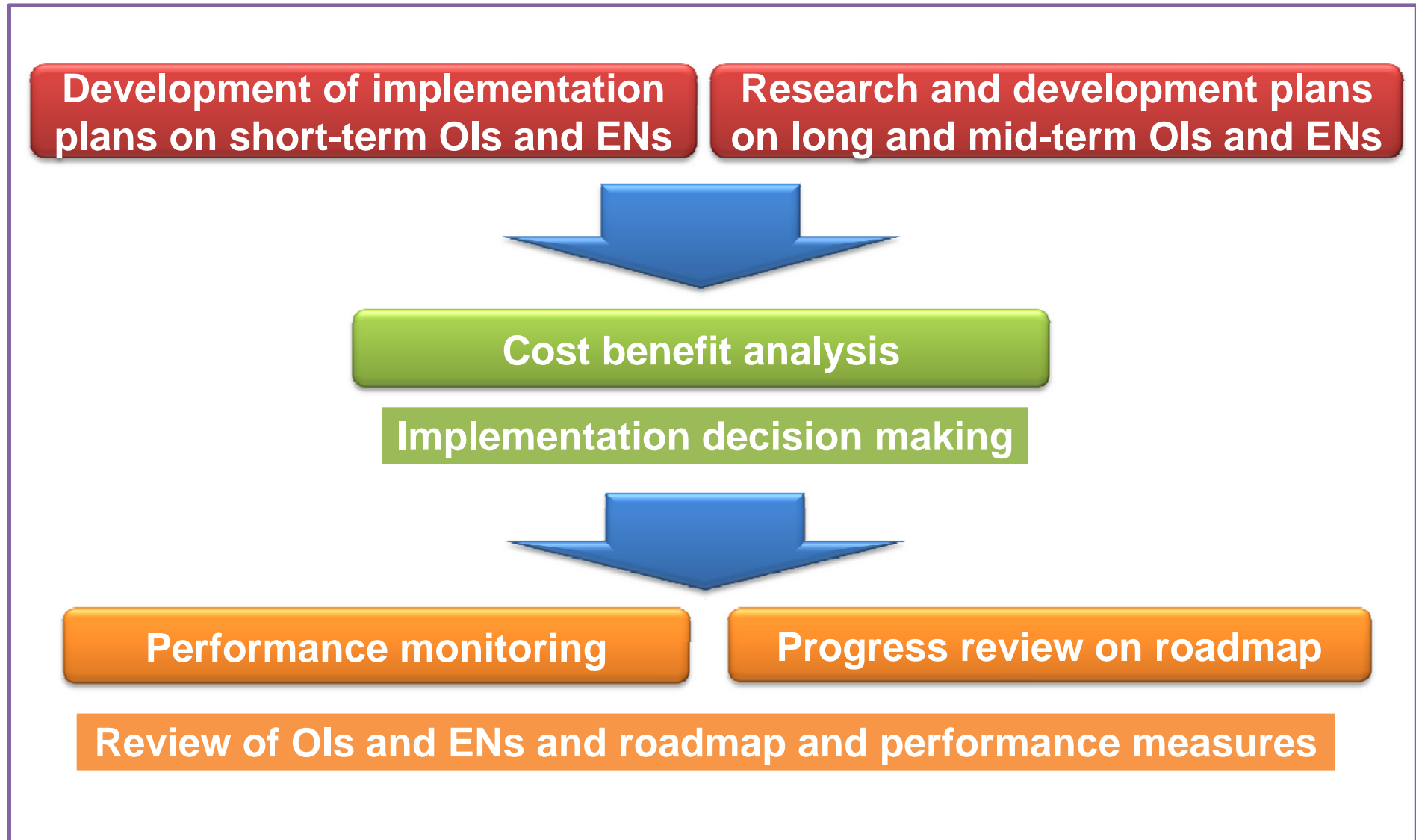
Measures currently in operation



Measures not yet clarified but expected to be examined and adopted in the future

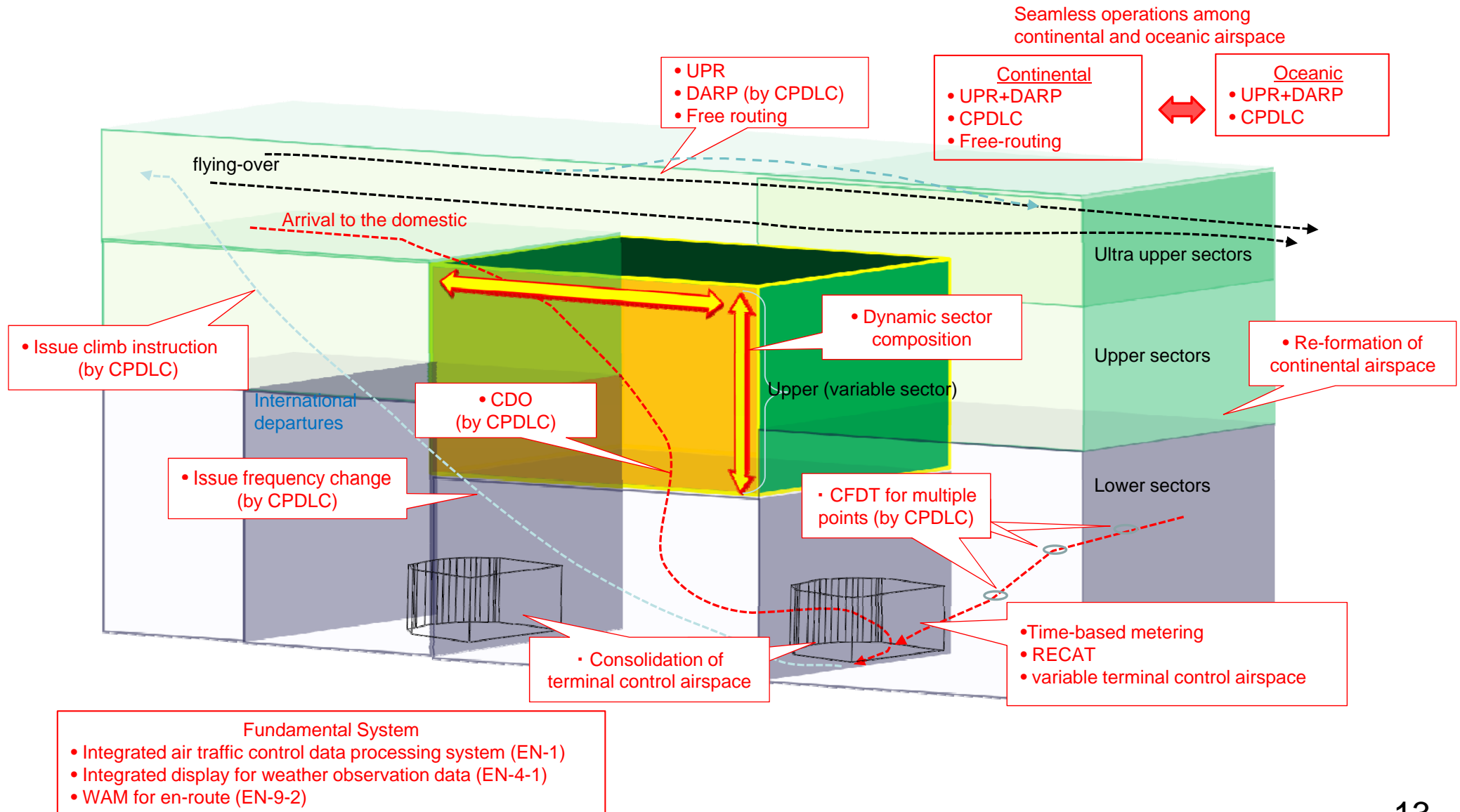


Appendix (Excel file)



Recent Topics

Decision for Introduction of CARATS measures in FY 2013



➤ Airspace re-formation

West Japan	2020
East Japan	2024

➤ Dynamic sector composition

change of vertical boundary	2020
change of vertical and horizontal boundary	2026~

➤ Continental CPDLC

2021

➤ UPR and DARP in the continental airspace

UPR	2025
DARP	2026~

➤ Time-based metering

fixed metering fix	2018
dynamic metering fix	2021

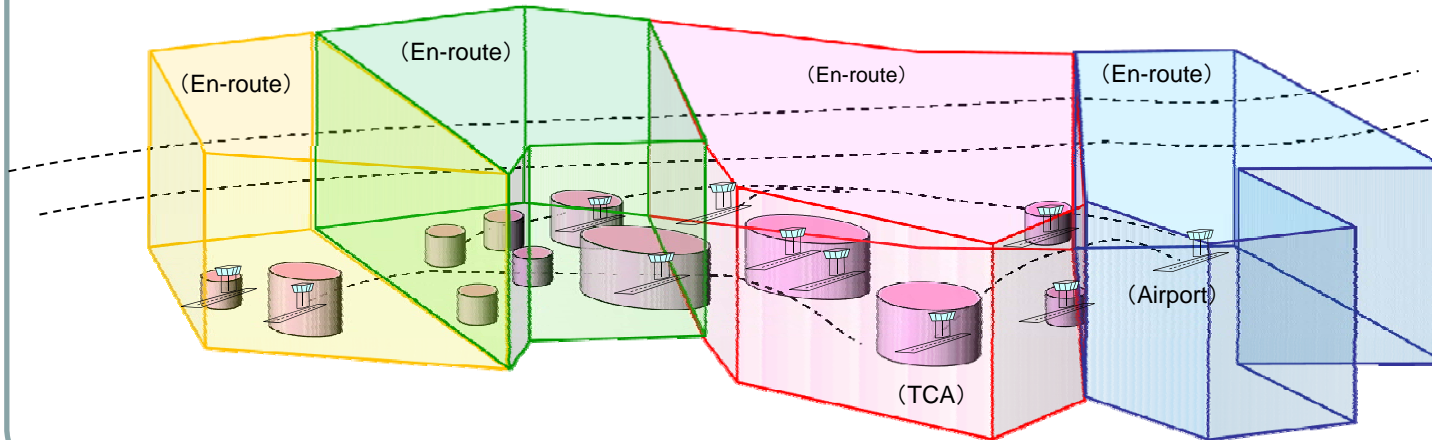
➤ RECAT (phase 1, 2)

2018

➤ Variable terminal control airspace

operation using multiple fix point	2019
operation by instruction of L/L	2021

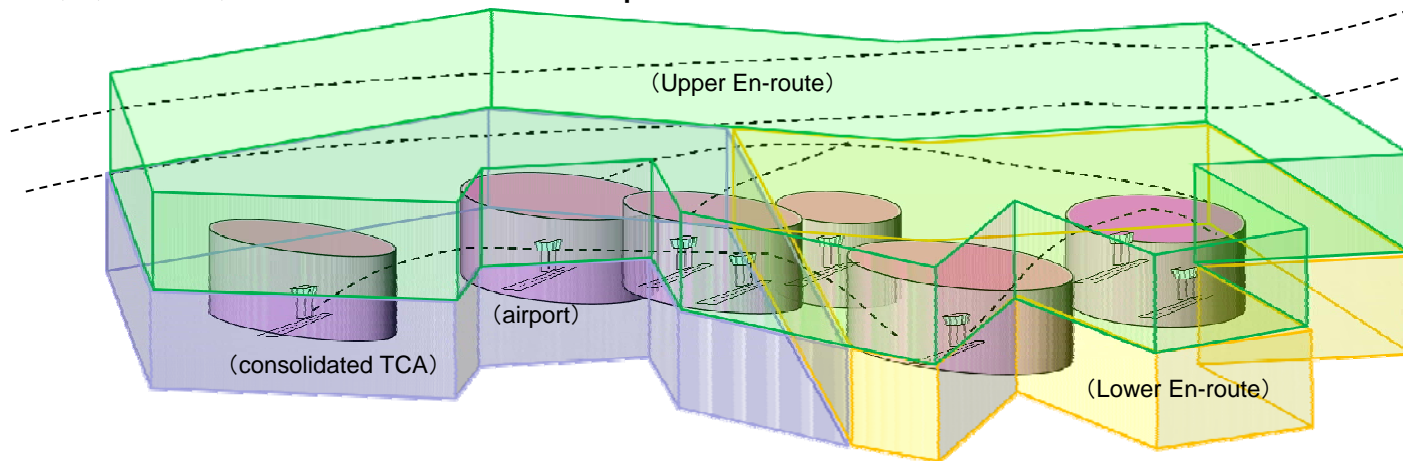
【Current - divided by geographical bases】



【The current airspace】

- Each ACCs divided by vertically
- ACC controls from the surface to upper
- TCAs are set depending on the location of airport

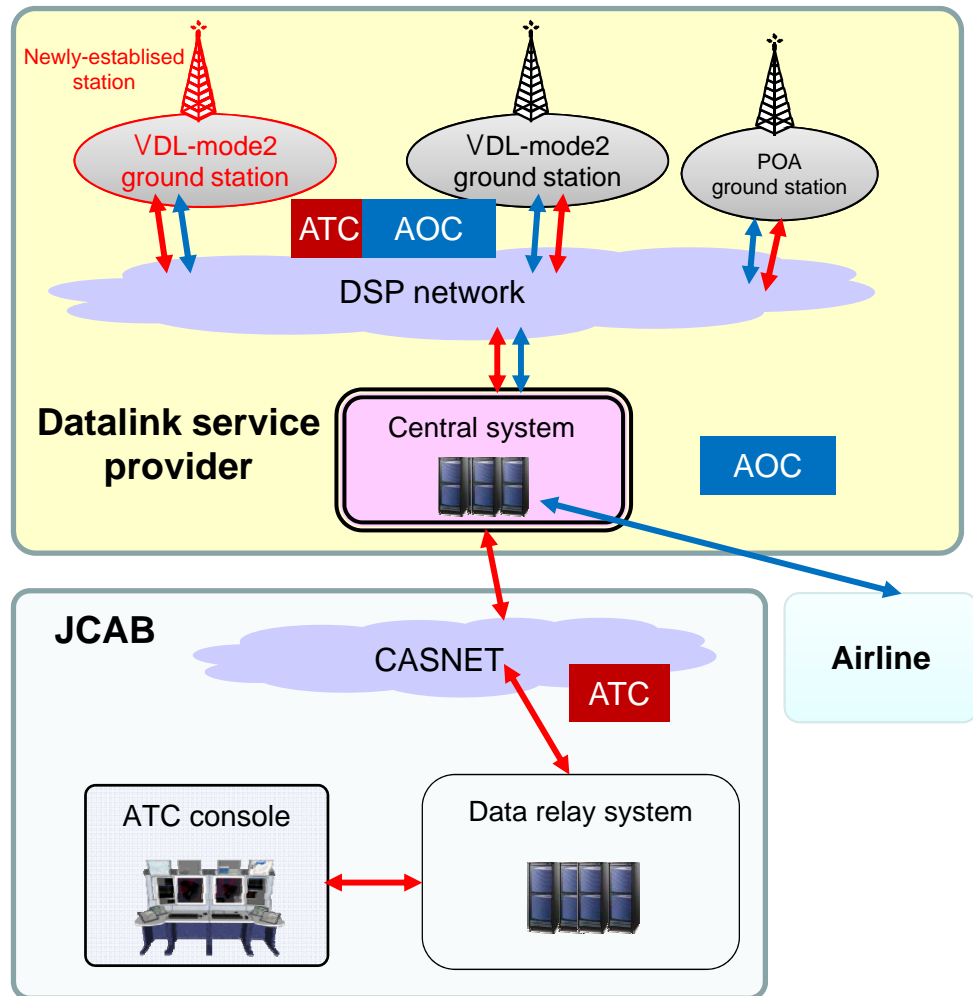
【Future - divided by aircraft movement i.e, climb, cruise and descend phase】



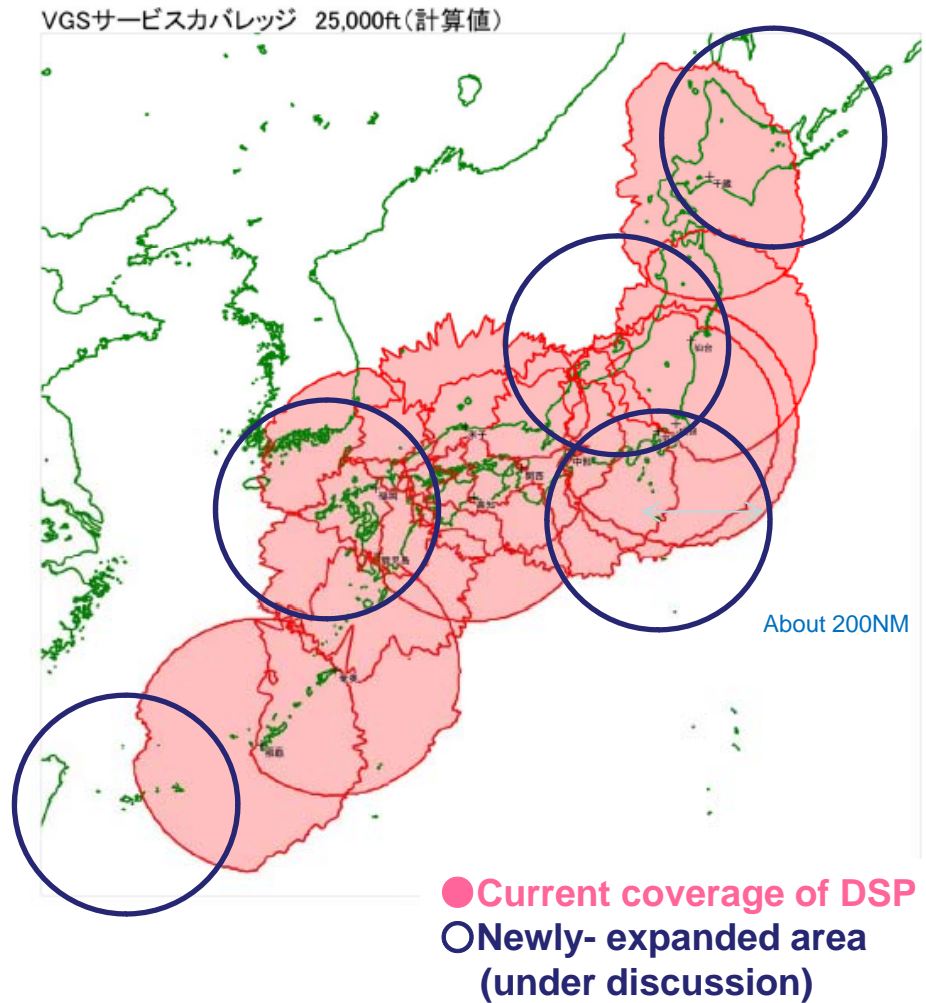
【Future airspace】

- ACCs divided into upper and lower.
- TCAs consolidated or expanded

Utilization of private company



Consideration of service coverage



Example of other activities

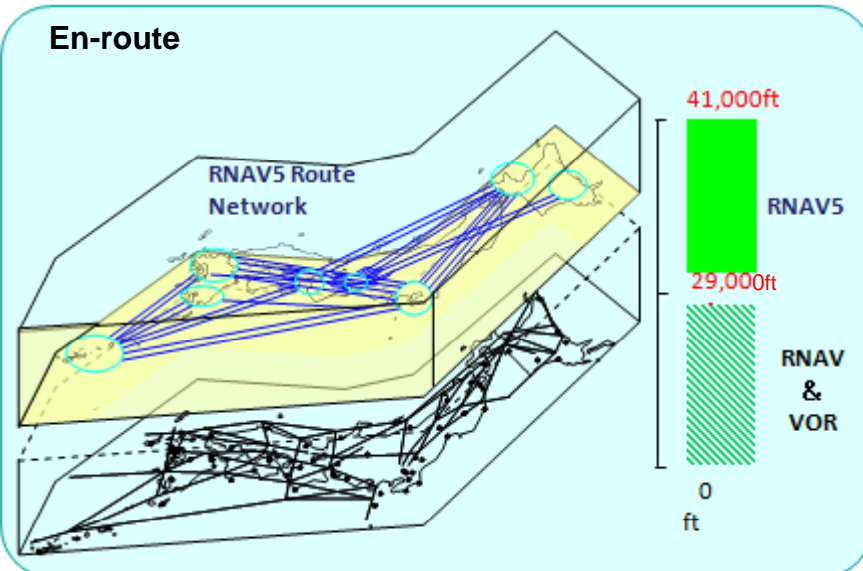
Example of Activities : Performance based navigation

Expansion of RNAV by using an aircraft equipping the advanced flight management system for navigation, and having high navigation capability. As a result, flight efficiency and safety are improved.

➡ Nationwide implementation of PBN is promoted by shift to higher precision RNAV.

Status of implementation of RNAV

En-route



SID/TR (Departure)

RNAV1: 27
Basic-RNP1: 12
(# of Airports)

STAR (Arrival)

RNAV1: 24
Basic-RNP1: 6
(# of Airports)

Approach

RNAV(GNSS): 31 (RNAV:16 RNP:15)
RNP AR Approach: 12
(# of Airports)



As of JUNE1, 2014

A precise and flexible approach procedure

2012-

RNP AR approach (Authorization Required)

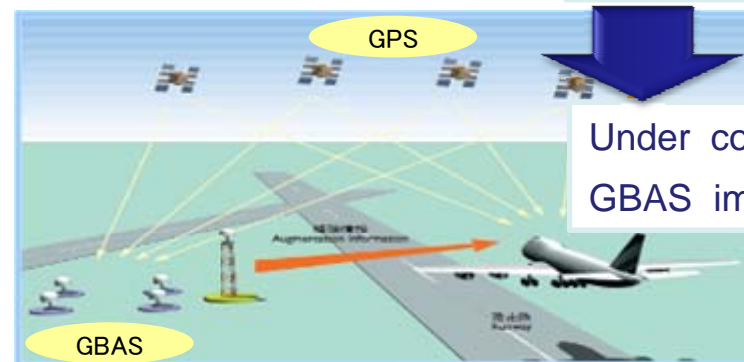


○ Apply RF leg

- ☆ Reduce flight distance
- ☆ Provide vertical guidance
- ☆ Improve MINIMA
- ☆ Noise abatement

2021-

Curved precision approach
RNP to xLS with RF leg

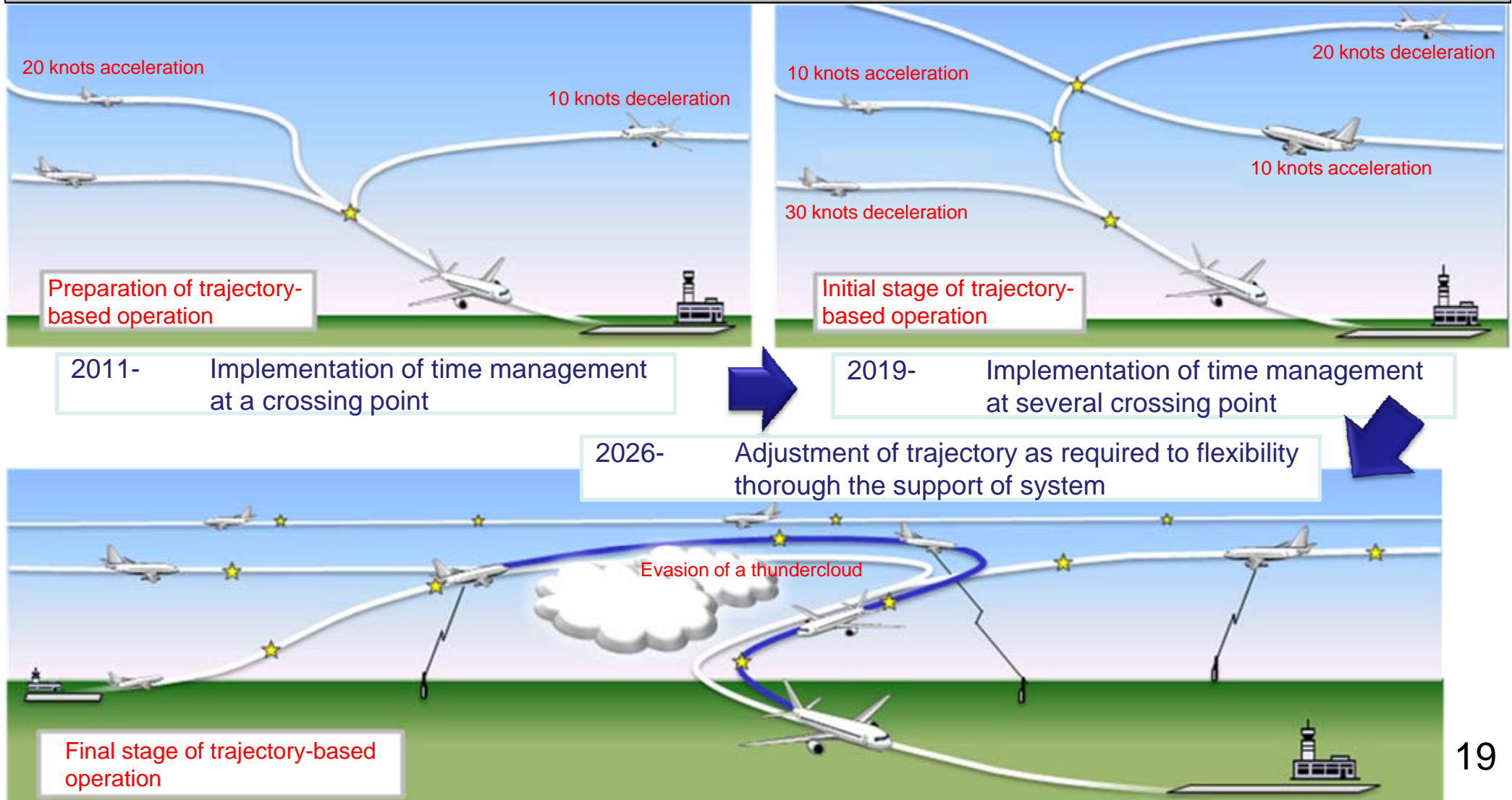


Under consideration
GBAS implementation

Example of Activities : Trajectory-based operation

Realizing Trajectory-based operation which optimizes a trajectory of an aircraft without depending on fixed airspace and routes.

⇒ An aircraft flies the trajectory which introduced time-based management while receiving support of a system. As a result, the aircraft keeps the efficient trajectory.



Example of Activities : Continuous descent operations

- Realizing CDO (continuous descent operations) which specifies the passage time and the passage altitude of a specific point and enables continuous descent without temporary level flight in descent and approach phase.
- Reduction of fuel consumption, CO2 emission and noise are expected.

➤ CDO is defined as the following three stages by procedures of operation.

- Initial stage CDO by radio communication (This is introduced at Kansai airport)
- 2nd stage CDO realized by the uplink of a 3D trajectory from the ATC system (This is applied in limited time zone because it is difficult to apply in the congestion time.)
- 3rd stage CDO realized by the uplink of a 4D trajectory which indicate time (This is applied in all the situations including the congestion time and congested airport.)

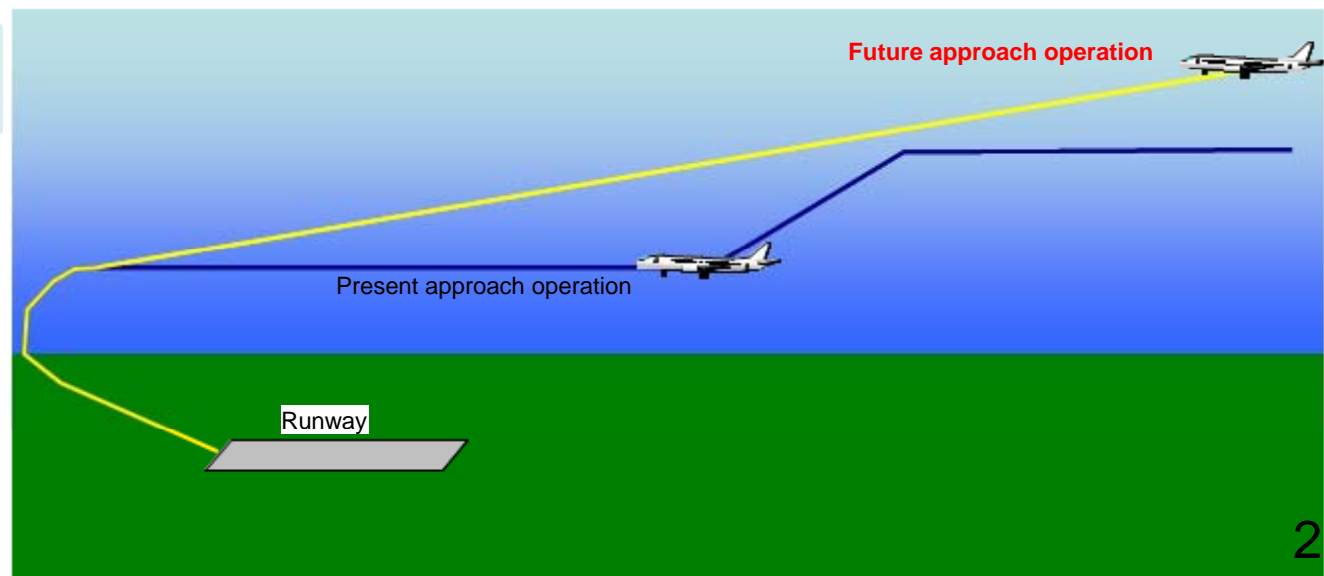
2009-
CDO with radio communication



2017-
CDO with data link



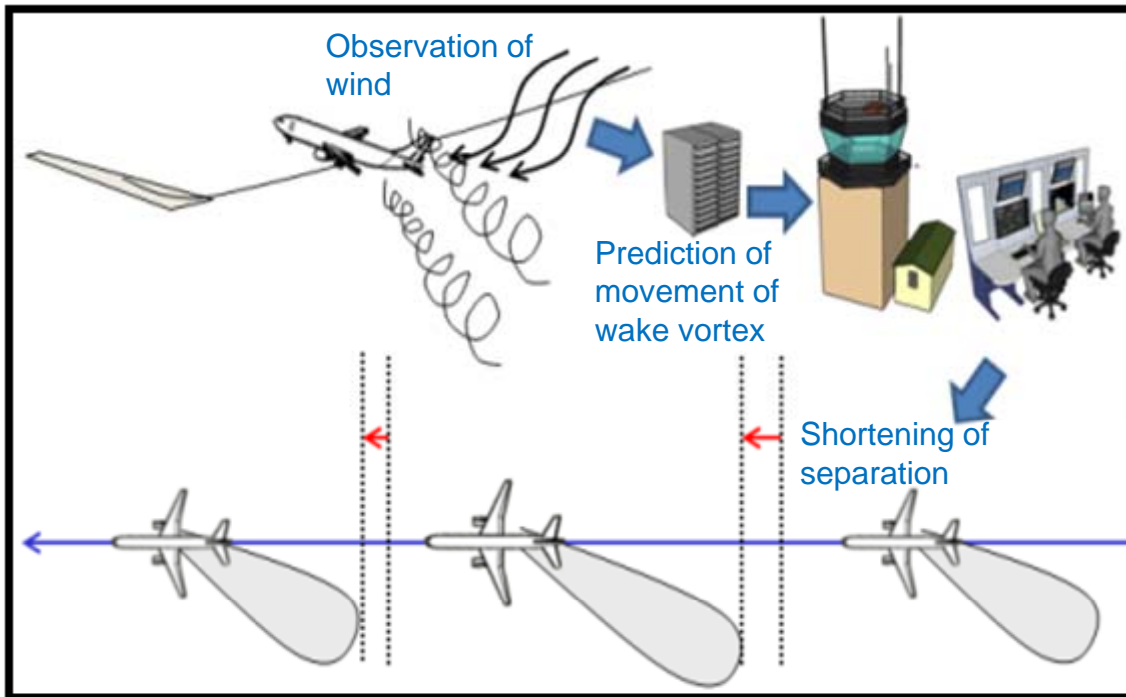
2026-
CDO with time specification



Example of Activities : Prediction of wake vortex

Realizing high-density operation by shortening an separation resulting from wake vortex

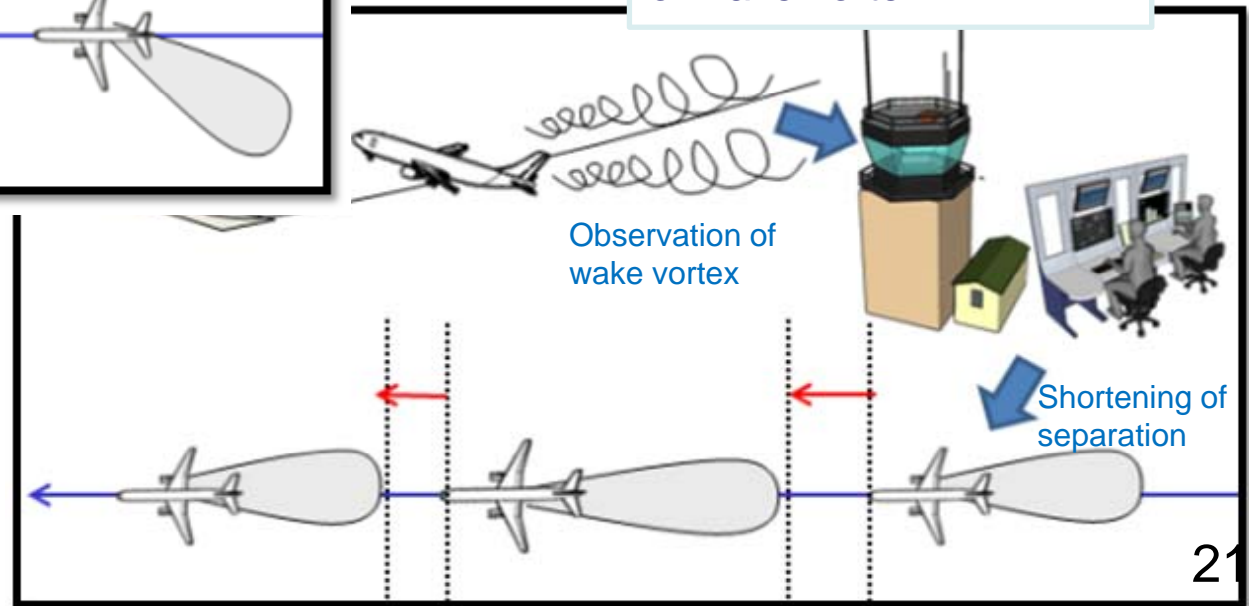
- ⇒ A separation can be shortened by predicting movement of wake vortex by observation of a wind.
A separation can be shortened by detecting and predicting wave vortex.



2022-
Prediction based on the
wind observation



2024-
Detection and prediction
of wake vortex



Example of Activities : Establishment of SWIM

Establishment of the network (SWIM : System Wide Information Management) which manages all the information concerning operation comprehensively, and can access required information when required.

