

From the Editor-in-Chief...

"Dear Colleagues and Friends of e-JOS"



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Welcome to *JOS* !!

It has been two years since I was appointed to editor-in-chief of *JOS*.

With the turn of the 21 century, "globalization" enables us to share equal information and enjoy rapid and easy communication with each other. Let's keep it in mind to have a clear policy and consciousness that *JOS* is a joint property of global community. Since *JOS* was registered in Google Scholar Information Website last April, the number of the access to *JOS* via Google has skyrocketed; the total number is 25,042 as of December 31, 2006.

In addition, as a result of having started "OPEN ACCESS" system in January this year, the number of the accesses has been increasing rapidly to e-*JOS* from various countries.

I am very grateful to you as editor-in-chief. Please give a click to following site:
<http://www.soc.nii.ac.jp/jocs/journal-e.html>.

Lastly, I'll show you the number of the access by country as of December 31, 2006 :

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Table Access Index rankings by country and 2006 comparisons

No	Countries	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
1	Japan	135	193	234	193	266	342	348	594	1107	2129	2009	2074	9624
2	U.S.A.	9	14	13	71	89	75	128	190	333	925	876	765	3488
3	India	10	3	35	12	75	96	100	160	306	433	501	520	2251
4	European Union	38	14	15	25	47	52	47	112	149	299	333	288	1419
5	China	14	3	2	15	32	48	35	47	111	129	152	131	719
6	Canada	3	2	7	5	16	18	10	30	52	160	177	110	590
7	England			3	4	5	8	14	34	53	140	181	108	550
8	Thailand					10	6	14	23	73	155	165	98	544
8	Korea	6	8	13	24	17	19	32	37	52	86	104	146	544
10	Taiwan	3	1	3	5	23	11	23	21	51	72	71	92	376
11	Brazil		2	2	9	36	17	15	55	44	63	79	48	370
12	Netherland						7	8	56	55	103	72	55	356
13	Malaysia		2	1	3	16	5	13	35	49	83	78	63	348
14	Indonesia	2	13			6	1	6	16	33	44	59	167	347
15	French		4	3	2	8	8	17	23	38	79	78	69	329
16	Turkey						6	8	15	14	64	77	102	286
17	Spain		2	1	9	4	4	5	32	34	74	60	52	277
17	Iran				4	4	1	5	25	34	57	78	69	277
19	Australia	1	1		4	17	3	12	24	33	86	52	38	271
20	Germany				48	5	3	10	24	27	45	48	44	254
21	Egypt				1	2	4	4	9	9	32	98	42	201
22	Philippines				3	1	5	15	42	14	38	33	30	181
23	Italy					4	7	9	10	16	41	46	38	171
24	Mexico		4		2	3	6	4	9	21	51	39	27	166
25	Singapore			5		2	3	14	7	15	45	35	28	154
26	Portuguese						2	2	7	7	49	56	22	145
27	Viet-Nam						6	1	7	17	30	49	35	145
28	Israel				1	8	2	3	15	10	26	41	39	145
29	Polish		1	1		4	1	3	13	10	34	28	30	125
30	New Zealand	2	2	1	2	7	2	6	15	6	21	24	5	93
31	Belgium					1	5	3	3	7	18	22	12	71
32	Russia				2			1	3	5	20	17	18	66
33	South Africa				1	3	2	3	5	1	23	15	3	56
34	Venezuela					1	3	2	22	5	4	7	9	53
35	Hong Kong				1	2	2		4	3	15	14	9	50
	Total	223	269	339	446	714	780	920	1724	2794	5673	5774	5386	25042