NASA Cooperation with Japan

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• NASA and Japan have cooperated in civil space for over 55 years

• Japan is NASA’s 3rd largest partner with 72 active agreements

• NASA and JAXA have cooperation across all mission areas:  
  – Human spaceflight, Earth science, space science, aeronautics

• Japan has been a steady and reliable partner on the International Space Station since the beginning  
  – Kibo is the only module whose design did not change over the course of planning and development of the ISS
Recent and Upcoming Highlights

• International Space Station (ISS)
  – ISS Commander Koichi Wakata – 2014
  – Kimiya Yui will launch in May 2015
  – 4 HTV launches so far
  – Kibo module widely used for experiments

• Global Precipitation Measurement Mission (GPM)
  – Launched in 2014 from Tanegashima, Japan

• OCO-2/GOSAT-1/2
  – Coordination between global carbon missions

• ASTRO-H
  – Astrophysics x-ray astronomy mission launching in 2016
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- Cooperation in civil space is important to our bilateral relationship