## Open Innovation Platforms for Industry-academia Co-creation (COI-NEXT)

JST project " Open Innovation Platforms for Industry-academia Co-creation (COI-NEXT)", universities and other institutions play a central role in formulating a vision of the future society and promoting research and development to realize it. This is an industry-academia collaboration program that aims to form an independent industry-academia-government co-creation base that produces sustainable results. Through this program, under the co-creation with various stakeholders such as companies, local governments, citizens, etc., the university will conduct research and development that contributes to innovation by backcasting toward the achievement of the hub vision and global issues (regional issues in the field of regional co-creation), and simultaneously promote the establishment of an industry-academia-government collaboration management system necessary for the formation of a self-reliant and sustainable base.

**three projects from our university have been selected for this project.**

| Theme | Name | Project leader | Vision |
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| Co-creation area<br>(Full-scale type)<br>Adopted in 2022<br>Maximum of 10 years<br>(FY2022-FY2031) | Empowerment social co-creation base that supports human connection and self-fulfillment starting from "visible" | Graduate School of Medicine<br>Professor. Toru Nakazawa | Our vision is to create a society in which everyone can live, work, and play together at any stage of their lives, so that the children of the next generation can be proud of it. |
| Regional co-creation area<br>(Full-scale type)<br>Adopted in 2023<br>Maximum of 10 years<br>(FY2023-FY2032) | A co-creation base for fostering a green job market based on gastronomic geopolitics | Graduate School of Environmental Studies<br>Professor. Kazuyo Matsubae | Our vision is to realize a food supply chain that adapts to climate change, nurture connections between people across generations, and realize a community co-creation society where people can live in harmony with nature. |
| Co-creation area<br>(Fostering type)<br>Adopted in 2022<br>Maximum of two years<br>(FY2022-FY2023) | Nature positive growth society realization base | Graduate School of Life Sciences<br>Professor. Michio Kondoh | Our vision is to realize a society in harmony with nature that grows and develops by restoring nature. |