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AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM

Special Exhibition

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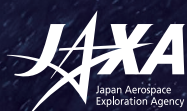
Gifu-Kakamigahara Air and Space Museum, Space Box
(5-1 Shimogiri-cho, Kakamigahara-shi, Gifu, Japan)

- ▶ Please visit the official website for museum closing days, opening hours, and other details.
- ▶ Exhibition dates and other details are subject to change.

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International cooperation between Japan and Europe has produced achievements across a wide range of fields, from launch vehicle development and Earth observation to planetary exploration.

The Japan-Europe Space Exhibition introduces missions carried out through Japan-Europe cooperation and presents a wide range of related materials.

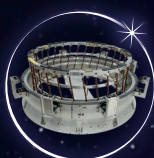
EXHIBIT 01 MIO test model and related materials



High-gain antenna



Thermal test model



Separation mechanism

EXHIBIT 01 MIO

MIO is a Japanese-developed spacecraft for BepiColombo, an international Mercury exploration mission by ESA and JAXA. It primarily studies Mercury's magnetic field and magnetosphere. At the Gifu-Kakamigahara Air and Space Museum (Sorahaku), the museum will display a thermal test model of MIO and related items.

MIO
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EXHIBIT 02

EarthCARE

EarthCARE is a satellite developed for the ESA-JAXA mission to study clouds, aerosols, and radiation. At Sorahaku, the museum will display a structural model of the Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR), a sensor developed by Japan.



EarthCARE
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Cloud Profiling Radar (CPR) Structural model



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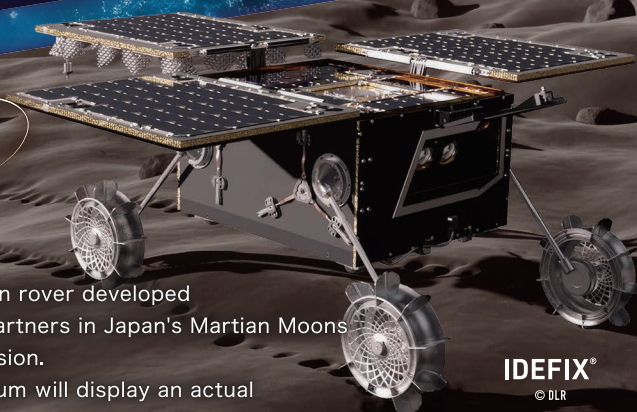
EXHIBIT 03

IDEFIX®

IDEFIX® is an exploration rover developed by CNES and DLR as partners in Japan's Martian Moons eXploration (MMX) mission. At Sorahaku, the museum will display an actual wheel used for IDEFIX®.



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BepiColombo
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[Admission] Adults: ¥900 / High school students and seniors (60+): ¥600
Junior high school students and younger: Free

[Opening Hours] Weekdays: 10:00-17:00 / Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays: 10:00-18:00



Access
● By train and bus : Get off at Kakamigahara Shiyakusho-mae Station on the Meitetsu Kakamigahara Line. Take the Fureai Bus (community bus) on the Inaba Nishi Line or the Kawashima Line from Kakamigahara Shiyakusho-mae Station and get off at Koukuu-Uchuu Hakubutsukan (the Air and Space Museum) bus stop.
● By car : Approximately 7 km from Gifu-Kakamigahara IC on the Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway. 1. Head east on National Route 21 toward Minokamo and turn right at the Naka Daito-cho intersection. 2. From the Naka Daito-cho intersection, turn left at the third traffic light, the Jogo-cho intersection. 3. Turn left at the next signalized intersection.