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# Sponsorship Prospectus

**Hiroshima, Japan**

**August 30–September 5, 2026**

The Annual Global Gathering of  
the Open Source Geospatial Community

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# Introducing Hiroshima

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Hiroshima is a vibrant, modern city located in western Japan, known worldwide as a symbol of peace and resilience. Rising from the devastation of World War II, Hiroshima has become a beacon of hope and international cooperation, making it an ideal location for a global gathering focused on open collaboration and knowledge sharing. With a population of about 1.2 million, Hiroshima is the largest city in the Western Japan's Chugoku region and serves as a major economic and cultural hub. The city seamlessly blends historical significance with modern innovation, offering visitors world-class facilities, excellent transportation links, and renowned hospitality.



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## A City of Peace and Innovation

The Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and the iconic Atomic Bomb Dome, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, stand as powerful reminders of the past and symbols of hope for a peaceful future. This spirit of peace and international cooperation perfectly aligns with the open source philosophy of collaboration and community building.



## Gateway to the Seto Inland Sea

Hiroshima offers easy access to Miyajima Island, home to the Grand torii gate of Itsukushima Shrine, another UNESCO World Heritage Site. The stunning Seto Inland Sea, known for its beautiful islands and maritime culture, provides unique opportunities for excursions and networking events.

## Excellent Accessibility

Hiroshima is easily accessible via Shinkansen (bullet train) from major cities including Tokyo (approximately 4 hours), Osaka (approximately 1.5 hours), and Fukuoka (approximately 1 hour). Hiroshima Airport connects the city to domestic and international destinations, with direct flights to Seoul, Taipei, Shanghai, and other Asian cities.

## Rich Culinary Heritage

Hiroshima is famous for its distinctive cuisine, including Hiroshima-style okonomiyaki (savory pancakes with layers of noodles and vegetables), fresh oysters from the Seto Inland Sea, and Momiji Manju (maple leaf-shaped cakes). The city's food culture offers an authentic Japanese experience for international visitors.



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# Introducing FOSS4G

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## Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial

- FOSS4G is the flagship annual conference of the Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo)
- OSGeo supports the development and adoption of open source geospatial technology worldwide
- FOSS4G embodies the broader open source software philosophy of collaboration, transparency, and community-driven innovation

FOSS4G is often cited as the highlight of many attendees' year. It brings together like-minded individuals in a collaborative, informal environment where the emphasis is on engaging, learning, and inspiring each other. The conference has a transformative impact on participants, fostering connections that span continents and catalyzing new projects and partnerships.

## Conference Overview

Past FOSS4G conferences have attracted up to 1,000 attendees representing government agencies, non-profit organizations, academic institutions, research organizations, hobbyists, and private sector companies. FOSS4G 2026 Hiroshima expects approximately 600 attendees from around the world.

The conference covers a wide range of topics including software development, GIS applications, remote sensing, spatial data infrastructure, open data, machine learning for geospatial, and much more. Sessions include keynotes, presentations, workshops, and community sprints.



## FOSS4G 2026 Hiroshima Schedule

Dates	Events	Venue
August 30 – 31	Workshops	RCC Bunka Center
September 1 – 3	Main Conference	International Conference Center Hiroshima
September 4 – 5	Community Sprint	TBD

## Convergence of All Geospatial Knowledge

FOSS4G covers a wide range of topics including:

- Open source GIS software development
- Geospatial tool use cases and applications
- Application development
- Earth observation data utilization
- Cutting-edge education and research
- Open data provision and operations

It serves as a platform where participants with diverse expertise and backgrounds learn from each other and share the latest insights.

## Inclusivity and Diversity

FOSS4G is for everyone—from developers to decision makers, students to senior researchers. Rooted in our theme, “Bridging Humanity and Geospatial Technology,” we believe that GIS should empower all people. We are committed to inclusivity and celebrate diversity, welcoming participants regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, nationality, age, or disability, including refugees and those from marginalized communities.



# Why Sponsor FOSS4G?

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## Exposure to a Dynamic and Growing Community

- The open geospatial community is growing steadily worldwide, with increasing adoption in Asia-Pacific
- More organizations are adopting FOSS4G tools — ranging from desktop GIS and geospatial databases to web servers and mapping libraries — as essential components of their geospatial infrastructure.
- Major technology companies including Google, Microsoft, Meta, and Amazon are actively contributing to open source geospatial projects
- OpenStreetMap continues to grow as a critical open data resource for mapping and location services

Sponsorship gives you prominent exposure to each of these stakeholders and allows you to both advertise and demonstrate your organization's value within the community.



## First Global FOSS4G in Japan

A Historical Milestone for Japan and the Global Community FOSS4G Hiroshima 2026 marks a double historic milestone: it is the first global FOSS4G to be held in Japan, and it serves as the 20th anniversary celebration for both the OSGeo Foundation and the FOSS4G conference series. This landmark event offers a unique opportunity to engage with the Japanese geospatial community and build lasting bridges with Asian markets and institutions.

## Support an Inclusive Conference

Sponsorship enables us to provide reduced-price tickets for students. This helps ensure diversity of ideas and perspectives, which is essential for sustaining and growing the open source community.



Sponsorship also helps fund our Travel Grant Program (TGP), which supports attendees who would otherwise be unable to participate. We aim to bring diverse perspectives from underrepresented regions and communities, including participants from developing countries across Asia-Pacific.

## Benefits of Sponsorship

- Brand visibility to a highly engaged international audience
- Networking opportunities with industry leaders, researchers, and decision makers
- Recognition as a supporter of open source software and open data
- Direct engagement with potential customers, partners, and talent
- Opportunity to showcase your products and services to the geospatial community



# Sponsorship Packages

We offer five sponsorship tiers to suit a range of budgets and visibility goals. The table below summarizes what each tier includes.

## Package Comparison

Benefit	Diamond	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Cost (JPY)	¥5,000,000	¥3,500,000	¥2,000,000	¥1,000,000	¥500,000
Conference Tickets	10	6	3	2	1
CxO Ticket*1	1	1	1	1	1
Gala Dinner (tickets)	11	7	4	3	2
Ice Breaker (tickets)	11	7	4	3	2
B2B Special Launch (sessions)	11	7	4	3	2
Hiring Booth (job board)	3 tables	2 tables	2 tables	1 table	-
Sponsor Sessions	25min×2	25min×1	13min×1	8min×1	5min×1
Sponsor Workshop	2	1	-	-	-
Sponsor Booth	4m×2m	4m×2m	3m×2m	2m×2m	1 common table
Promotion Video	30 sec	10 sec	-	-	-
Lounge	available	available	-	-	-

\*1) This pass is intended for executive-level attendees such as CEOs and CTOs and is provided in addition to the standard sponsor registration allocation.

## Benefits for All Sponsors

The following benefits are available to all sponsorship levels:

- Logo : Featured on the conference Website
- Delegate Bags: One flyer insert included in each congress bag



## Additional Benefits by Tier

- Diamond, Platinum, and Gold Sponsors may also include promotional items (branded merchandise) in the congress bags.
- Diamond and Platinum Sponsors receive exclusive naming rights for sessions and Lunch/Coffee breaks.

## Notes

- All packages are subject to 10% Japanese Consumption Tax (JCT).
- A portion of all sponsorship goes towards our Travel Grant Program. Any unused conference registrations, dinner tickets, or exhibition spaces will also be made available as travel grant support.



## Diamond – ¥5,000,000 + Tax

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- 10 Conference tickets
- 1 CxO ticket
- 11 Gala dinner
- Option to purchase additional conference registrations at early bird rates
- Exhibition booth in first-choice location during the conference
- Verbal acknowledgement at opening and closing sessions
- Five-minute speaking slot to introduce your company's involvement in the open geospatial community
- Custom email message and social media mention sent to mailing list subscribers
- Primary logo placement on marketing materials (on-stage conference banner, sponsor slides)
- Custom rotational slide promoting your organization (shown on large screen in foyer and before sessions)
- Logo, link, and 300-word blurb on the conference website
- One pull-up banner (supplied by you) displayed during the workshop and community sprint days

## Platinum – ¥3,500,000 + Tax

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- 6 conference tickets
- 1 CxO ticket
- 7 Gala dinner
- Option to purchase additional conference registrations at early bird rates
- Exhibition booth in first-choice location during the conference
- Verbal acknowledgement at opening and closing sessions
- Five-minute speaking slot to introduce your company's involvement in the open geospatial community
- Custom email message and social media mention sent to mailing list subscribers
- Primary logo placement on marketing materials (on-stage conference banner, sponsor slides)
- Custom rotational slide promoting your organization (shown on large screen in foyer and before sessions)
- Logo, link, and 300-word blurb on the conference website
- One pull-up banner (supplied by you) displayed at the workshop and community sprint days



## Gold – ¥2,000,000 + Tax

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- 3 conference tickets
- 1 CxO ticket
- 4 Gala dinner
- Option to purchase up to two additional conference registrations at early bird rates
- Exhibition booth during the conference (location selection begins after Platinum sponsors have selected their spaces)
- Verbal acknowledgement at opening and closing sessions
- One-minute speaking slot to introduce your company's involvement in the open geospatial community
- Email and social media mention sent to mailing list subscribers
- Logo on marketing materials (on-stage conference banner, sponsor slides)
- Custom rotational half-slide promoting your organization
- Logo, link, and 200-word blurb on the conference website
- One pull-up banner (supplied by you) displayed at the workshop or community sprint day

## Silver – ¥1,000,000 + Tax

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- 2 conference tickets
- 1 CxO ticket
- 3 Gala dinner
- Option to purchase an additional conference registration at early bird rates
- Exhibition booth during the conference (subject to availability)
- Verbal acknowledgement at opening and closing sessions
- Email and social media mention sent to mailing list subscribers
- Logo on marketing materials (on-stage conference banner, sponsor slides)
- Logo, link, and 100-word blurb on the conference website

## Bronze – ¥500,000 + Tax

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- 1 conference ticket
- 1 CxO ticket
- 2 Gala dinner
- Acknowledgement at opening and closing sessions (slides)
- Email mention alongside other Bronze level sponsors
- Logo on marketing materials (on-stage conference banner, sponsor slides)
- Logo with link on the conference website



# Additional Sponsorship Opportunities

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Don't see a sponsorship opportunity that meets your needs? Contact us to discuss custom sponsorship options for specific aspects of the conference.

## Exclusive Opportunities (Gold+ Only)

- Conference Dinner (¥1,000,000 - one only) - Sponsor the conference dinner with 'supported by' recognition and opportunity to speak
- Ice Breaker Event (¥800,000 - one only) - Sponsor the welcome reception with 'supported by' recognition

## Extra Opportunities (Available for Silver+ Sponsors)

- Childcare Support (¥600,000 - one only) - Sponsor childcare services for the week with recognition on website and during conference
- Women in Geospatial Event (¥500,000 - one only) - Sponsor the women in geospatial networking event with 'supported by' recognition
- Travel Grant Program Breakfast (¥400,000 - one only) - Support the TGP breakfast with brief address and attendance for up to 2

## Travel Grant Program Sponsorship

Support someone to attend by becoming a Travel Grant Program sponsor:

- Long Distance Travel Grant (¥350,000) - Support a participant traveling from outside Asia-Pacific
- Regional Travel Grant (¥150,000) - Support a participant from within the Asia-Pacific region

All sponsorship amounts are exclusive of 10% JCT.



# Venue

## International Conference Center Hiroshima (Main Venue)

The main conference (September 1-3) will take place at the International Conference Center Hiroshima, located within the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park. This modern, world-class facility provides an ideal setting for our global gathering.

- Large main hall and multiple conference rooms
- State-of-the-art audio-visual equipment
- High-speed internet access throughout the facility
- Exhibition space for sponsor booths



Map Data from OpenStreetMap

### [MAP](#)

## RCC Bunka Center (Workshop Venue)

Workshops (August 30-31) will be held at the RCC Bunka Center, conveniently located in central Hiroshima with excellent access to public transportation.

- Multiple classroom-style rooms equipped for hands-on workshops





Map Data from OpenStreetMap

[Map \(Japanese\)](#)

## Location Advantages

- All venues are within walking distance or a short tram ride central Hiroshima
- Excellent public transportation including streetcars (trams) and buses
- Wide range of accommodation options nearby, from budget to luxury
- Many restaurants, cafes, and shopping areas within walking distance
- Easy access to tourist attractions including Peace Memorial Park and Miyajima Island

