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JICSAP - Becoming Incorporation 2002/04

JICSAP - Japan IC Card System Application Council - was founded in March 1993 as a nonprofit organization (a voluntary group) to promote smooth transition of IC-Card based society in Japan. For that purpose, JICSAP has acted dynamically in every IC-Card related field.

The standardization committee has developed several versions of drafts as IC-Card specifications, and they have been adopted widely by JIS (Japan Industry Standard) and partly by ISO.

The application committee has published proposals about the necessity and the spread of secure IC-Card in daily life. It has also sent research groups to Europe and investigated actual usage and situation of IC-Cards there. Their reports and opinions were so often quoted and put into practices by public / private organizations. Most of results are available through the homepage and publications.

In order to quickly and correctly answer the rapid increase of questions, expectations, and member organizations (from 24 to 54) , and to expand JICSAP activities, its 2002 general meeting decided to change the type of the organization from NPO to corporation, "a Limited Liability Company" under the revised Japanese NPO & company laws.

With this new formation, it is possible for JICSAP *itself* to set up business models, arrange and finance IC-Card related researches / projects, evaluate functions of reader / writer according to specifications, to communicate international SmartCard organizations, etc. Present activities are, of course, unchanged and continued with better services.

The official procedure is now in progress, and JICSAP (NPO) Corporation will be registered and authorized in early 2003.

JICSAP supports the coming IC-Card and network based society.