



## Message from the Director

It is my great pleasure and appreciation that the fourth annual report of the Earth Simulator Project is here successfully presented. Recalling the past four years activities of the project, I am particularly proud of the fact that all ES project leaders have fully responded positively in promoting the leading edge of computational science and to reporting their tasty fruits in the Annual Reports. The success of the four years reports is brought because the Earth Simulator has been physically sound and healthy. This is our fortune indeed. A more important and real key for this success lies undoubtedly in that all simulation scientists participated in the ES project have made their own best in fulfilling their goals. I hope readers would read their actual fruits in those reports, particularly in this fourth report.

Let me note a couple of important changes made for the fourth year undertaking. The first change is that the MEXT and JST supporting projects such as the Kyosei Project, the Project for Promoting Industry Participation and the CREST Project are categorized as the Special Projects that are put aside of the Collaboration Projects of the Earth Simulator Center subject to the Mission Definition Committee and the Selection Committee. The second change is that the Remote Batch Job Entry started July 1, 2005 since understanding of the importance of optimization is now widely accepted by the users.

An enjoyable news of this year for the Earth Simulator is a contribution to the EXPO 2005 AICHI JAPAN where Global 100 Eco-Tech Award is awarded to the Earth Simulator Center.

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