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My organization, IPA, is one of “incorporated administrative agencies” in Japan which are established by special Japanese law to support Government’s activities and IPA is at the position to support IT environment development of Japanese Government.

In July 2012, the cabinet office of Japanese Government issued a policy statement paper of “Open Government Data Strategy” and we started many projects to prepare to build open government data.

Before issuing the policy statement paper, we have several trial projects to enhance government’s transparency and citizen’s participation as shown in the figure below.

“Ideabox” in Oct.2009 was a trial project to gather citizen’s opinion to Government policy. “Databox” in Sep.2009 was a trial project to publish statistical data of Government to public via internet. In this project we were aware of the importance of data reusability but not took comprehensive measures for that.



