

# Overview of JUSTICE

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(Secretariat of the Japan Alliance of University Library Consortia for E-Resources)

# What is JUSTICE?

JUSTICE: Japan Alliance of University Library Consortia for E-Resources  
<http://www.nii.ac.jp/content/justice/>

- ▶ A new consortium created through the consolidation of the Japan Association of National University Libraries (JANUL) Consortium and the Private and Public University Libraries Consortium (PULC)
- ▶ Established in April 2011, backed by the National Institute of Informatics (NII)
- ▶ Opt-in consortium
- ▶ Approximately 500 participating libraries

# JUSTICE's Organization and Governance

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## ▶ **Steering Committee**

- ▶ Establishes JUSTICE operational policies
- ▶ Consists of 14 senior librarians of participating university libraries

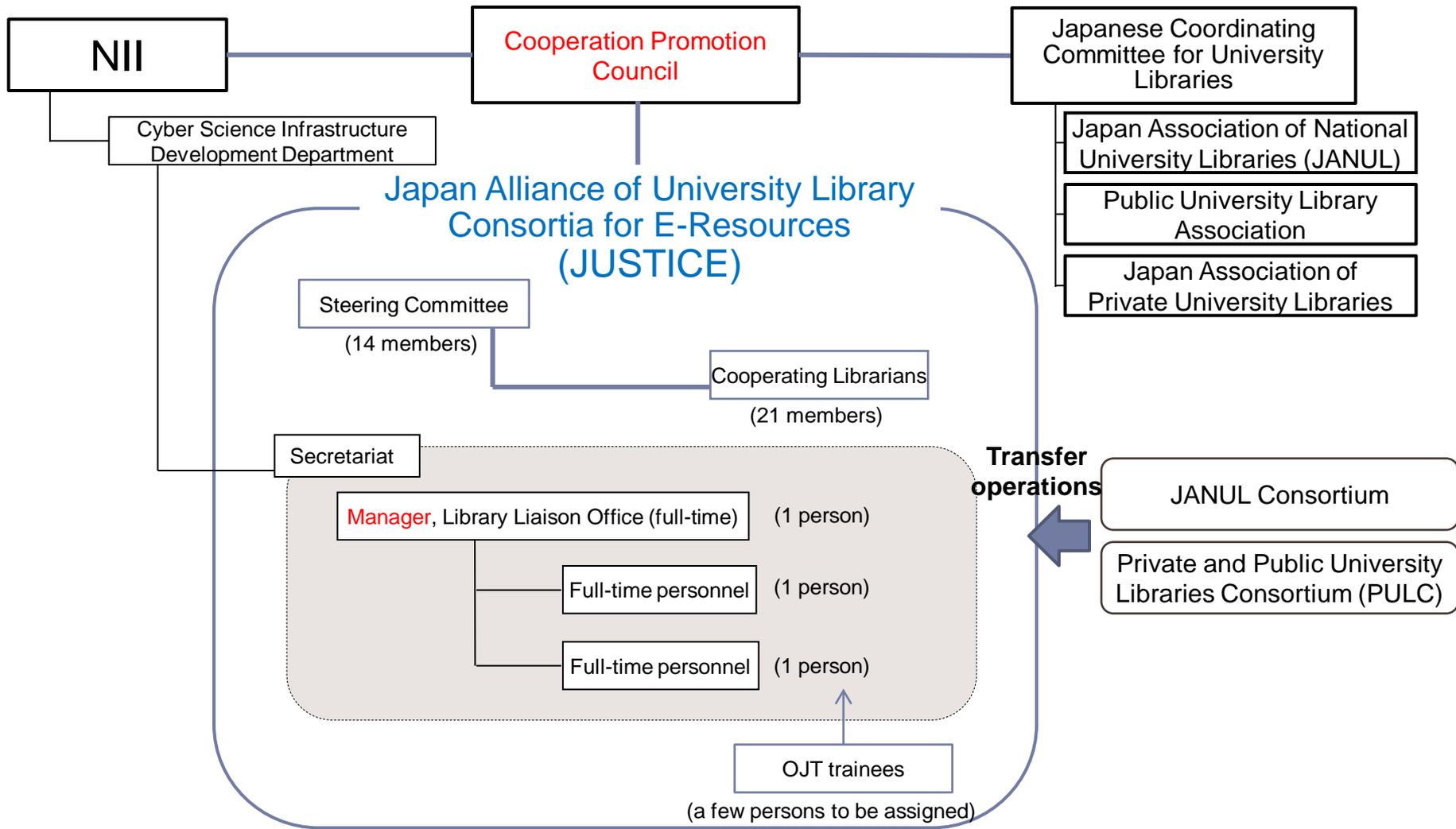
## ▶ **Secretariat**

- ▶ Placed at the NII
- ▶ Comprises three full-time staff
- ▶ All staff seconded from participating university libraries

## ▶ **Cooperating Librarian Group**

- ▶ Made up of 21 cooperating librarians who help operate the consortium

# JUSTICE Organizational Structure



# JUSTICE's Mission and Tasks

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## ▶ Mission

- ▶ JUSTICE contributes to the enhancement of Japan's academic information infrastructure through the license arrangements, management, provision, and long-term preservation of e-resources as well as through the development of human resources.

## ▶ Tasks

- ▶ Negotiate consortium licensing agreements with publishers.
- ▶ Build a national collection of e-resources.
- ▶ Promote shared use of ERMS and web-scale discovery services.
- ▶ Foster human resources through on-the-job training.

# Issues in Negotiation with Publishers

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- ▶ Find a new bargaining chip
  - ▶ Economies of scale
  - ▶ Negotiation based on data
- ▶ Deal with new pricing models
  - ▶ Shift to a database model from the one based on historical print spend
  - ▶ Grouping of universities
- ▶ Seek the possibility of making the consortium more tightly organized
  - ▶ Formation of more tightly organized sub-consortia under JUSTICE
  - ▶ One invoice, one payment
  - ▶ Efforts to transcend restrictions of an opt-in consortium  
e.g., Scottish Higher Education Digital Library (SHEDL)

# Beyond License Arrangements: Toward a Comprehensive E-Resource Utility

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Enhance the national collection of e-resources

- E-journal backfiles / Collection of humanities and social sciences e-materials

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Manage and provide use of e-resources

- Shared use of e-resources management systems (ERMS) and discovery services

3

Ensure long-term preservation and access

- Participation in CLOCKSS

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Develop human resources

- Fostering e-resource librarians through on-the-job training