Important IT Service Measures in Academia Sinica: First Half of 2025

January

Adjustments to AS_Secure Wi-Fi External Connectivity

Starting January 13, 2025, Academia Sinica will implement adjustments to the AS_Secure Wi-Fi network's external connectivity to continuously improve the quality of public Wi-Fi services and strengthen information security. These adjustments will restrict high-risk connections to ensure secure and uninterrupted access for official use. For detailed information, please refer to our webpage.

February

Launch of Google Workspace Cloud Services

Starting in February 2025, Academia Sinica will gradually implement Google Workspace (GWS) Cloud Services to replace the current @gate e-mail and MySpace services. GWS will provide integrated tools such as Gmail, Google Drive, Meet, Sheets, and Slides, enabling greater flexibility and collaboration while enhancing academic and administrative efficiency.

January - March

Launch of AI-Powered Audio-to-Text Service

To enhance administrative efficiency and reduce the burden of manual transcription, Academia Sinica will launch a shared AI-powered audio-to-text service in the first quarter of 2025. This tool will enable faster recording of meeting and interview transcripts, further reducing labor and time costs while improving the quality and effectiveness of workflow processes.

April

Dedicated VPN Service for Official Trips to China

To support uninterrupted academic research during official trips to China, Academia Sinica will offer a dedicated VPN service starting April 2025. This service provides secure access to Academia Sinica's IP address in China using two-factor authentication (account, password, and OTP). Applications can be submitted with official trip requests.

April - June

Microsoft 365 Cloud Services Open for Trial

Starting in the second quarter of 2025, Academia Sinica will launch a trial of Microsoft 365 (M365) A3 services for all institutes and research centers. The A3 version offers advanced Office applications, Access, Publisher, enhanced Teams collaboration, OneDrive storage, as well as high-efficiency tools like Power Automate and SharePoint. This will improve digital transformation effectiveness and information security. Trial quotas will be allocated based on the proportion of each unit's joint procurement budget. For inquiries, please contact the IT office of your affiliated unit.

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