

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to an IC-card holding apparatus, a display method, a data providing system, a server apparatus, and a data providing method capable of improving the availability, the convenience, and the usefulness of a non-contact IC card.

The IC-card holding apparatus communicates with the non-contact IC card held therein to read out information from the non-contact IC card. This allows the IC-card holding apparatus to obtain the type of the non-contact IC card held therein and usage history information. After determining the type of the non-contact IC card, the IC-card holding apparatus displays an image (type corresponding image) corresponding to the type to present the type of the non-contact IC card held therein. And, the usage history can be read out to display the readout usage history. At this time, for example, information (place name or shop name) about a position where the non-contact IC card is used is also displayed and/or the use position is presented on the map image. And, provided data is received from a server apparatus in accordance with the current position or the type of the non-contact IC card to display the provided data.