Link and Motivation Inc.

Securities Code: 2170

Consolidated Financial Information for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2018 (First Quarter of 2018)

May 14, 2018



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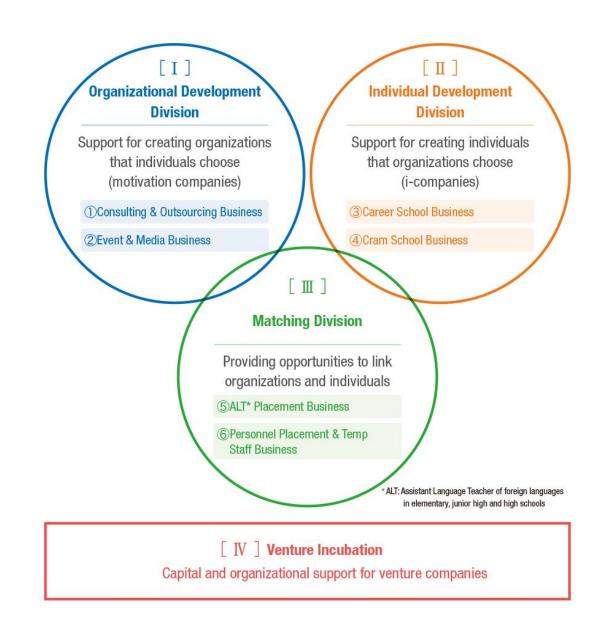
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Announcement of Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2018

Link and Motivation Group Operating Structure

Mission

Through Motivation
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Consolidated Statements of Operations (Results/YoY Change)

(¥ million)	2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
Revenues	8,756	9,642	+10.1%
Operating Income	698	862	+23.5%
Net Income	413	533	+29.1%

Note: From the three months ended March 31, 2017, the Company has adopted International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in place of the previously used generally accepted accounting principles in Japan.

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Revenues and every level of income increased substantially YoY to record highs. In particular, operating income and net income increased substantially as profitability improved.

(1Q operating income margin 8.0% \Rightarrow 8.9%、1Q net income margin 4.7% \Rightarrow 5.5%)

Consolidated Statements of Operations (Results/Results vs. Forecast)

(¥ million)	2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Forecast	2018 1Q Results	Results vs. Forecast	YoY Change
Revenues	8,756	9,400	9,642	+2.6%	+10.1%
Operating Income	698	720	862	+19.7%	+23.5%
Net Income	413	-	533	_	+29.1%

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Revenues **made steady progress**, exceeding expectations. With growth in the highly profitable Organizational Development Division and improved profitability in the Individual Development Division, operating income substantially exceeded the forecast.

Consolidated Statements of Operations: SG&A Expenses (Results/YoY Change)

(¥ million)	2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
Total SG&A Expenses	2,473	2,889	+16.8%
① Personnel Expenses	1,055	1,304	+23.6%
② Recruiting, Training and Welfare Expenses	187	200	+7.2%
③ Rent	175	272	+55.5%
Office and System Expenses	332	319	-3.8%
⑤ Sales-related Expenses	471	549	+16.5%
⑥ Transportation and Other Expenses	252	242	-4.1%

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1 Personnel expenses increased substantially due to an increase in staff for the Group as a whole and 3 Rent also increased substantially following relocation to the Tokyo Integrated Office in May 2017.

Also, **Sales-related expenses increased substantially** due to proactive outlay of sales promotion expenses for Motivation Cloud and other new businesses, causing total SG&A expenses to **increase substantially YoY.**

Revenues and Gross Profit by Segment (Results/YoY Change)

(¥ million)		(¥ million) 2017 1 Result		2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
	Organizational Revenues		2,754	3,097	+12.4%
Development Division		Gross Profit	1,707	2,105	+23.4%
	Individual	Revenues	1,601	1,874	+17.0%
Development Division		Gross Profit	478	664	+38.9%
Matching		Revenues	4,729	5,080	+7.4%
	Division	Gross Profit	1,182	1,296	+9.6%

In the Organizational Development Division, revenues and gross profit both increased substantially YoY due to substantial growth in the highly profitable Consulting & Outsourcing Business.

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In the Individual Development Division, revenues and gross profit both increased substantially YoY due to solid growth in results of the Career School Business and expansion of the Cram School Business.

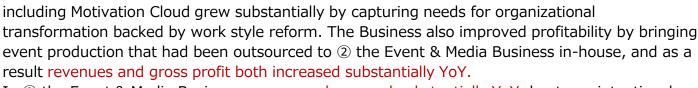
In the Matching Division, revenues and gross profit both increased YoY due to firm performance in the ALT Placement Business and the Personnel Placement & Temp Staff Business.

Organizational Development Division: Product Revenues by Business (Results/YoY Change) 1.2

Product (¥ million) [Gross profit in brackets]		2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
① Consulting & Outsourcing		2,221	2,505	+12.8%
	Business	[1,508]	[1,949]	+29.3%
	Package ¹	591	595	+0.6%
	Consulting	1,132	1,238	+9.3%
	Outsourcing	283	234	-17.3%
	Member/database services ²	213	437	+105.0%
© Front 9 Modia Business		943	842	-10.7%
(2	Event & Media Business	[272]	[268]	-1.4%
	Event production	622	324	-47.8%
	Media production	321	517	+61.0%

Notes: 1. Primarily standardized training products
2. Including Motivation Cloud

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In ② the Event & Media Business, revenues decreased substantially YoY due to an intentional reduction of event production, which has a high cost ratio, that had previously been ordered by ① the Consulting & Outsourcing Business. On the other hand, because sales of IR-related media production grew, gross profit decreased only slightly YoY.

In ① the Consulting & Outsourcing Business, sales of Consulting and Member/database services

Individual Development Division: Product Revenues by Business (Results/YoY Change) ③•④

Product (¥ million) [Gross profit in brackets]		2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
3 Career School Business		1,578	1,700	+7.8%
(3) ([489]	[589]	+20.4%
	Office	746	735	-1.4%
	Pro Series*	203	230	+13.4%
	Accounting courses	149	141	-5.2%
	National exam courses	135	156	+15.4%
	Civil servant courses	300	309	+3.1%
	Educational materials/other	43	43	+0.6%
	English conversation		83	_
(A) Cram Cahaal Businasa		23	173	+632.2%
4)	Cram School Business	[-11]	[74]	_

^{*}Programming courses and other courses for specialized IT skills

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- In ③ the Career School Business, revenues increased YoY due to strong sales of Pro Series and National exam courses, and gross profit increased substantially YoY as profitability improved due to more efficient deployment of personnel.
- In ④ the Cram School Business, revenues and gross profit both increased substantially YoY due to an increase in the number of classrooms.

Matching Division: Product Revenues by Business (Results/YoY Change) 5.6

Product (¥ million) [Gross profit in brackets]		2017 1Q Results	2018 1Q Results	YoY Change
⑤ ALT* Placement Business		2,642	2,907	+10.0%
<u></u>	ALI Placement business	[774]	[806]	+4.1%
© Personnel Placement & Temp Staff Business		2,109	2,332	+10.6%
		[425]	[617]	+44.9%
	Store sales temp staff	1,813	1,834	+1.2%
	Office temp staff	155	160	+3.4%
	Foreign worker support	_	141	<u>-</u>
	Recruiting/introductions	141	196	+39.3%

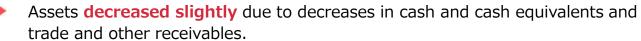
^{*} ALT: Assistant Language Teacher of foreign languages in elementary, junior high and high schools



- In ⑤ the ALT Placement Business, revenues increased substantially YoY due to firm performance thanks to the trend to strengthen English education promoted by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT). However, with the increase in costs from outsourcing ALT hiring to the Foreign worker support operations of ⑥ the Personnel Placement & Temp Staff Business, gross profit increased YoY.
- In ⑥ the Personnel Placement & Temp Staff Business, revenues and gross profit both increased substantially YoY with steady sales of Recruiting/introductions of domestic human resources and the smooth start-up of Foreign worker support.

Consolidated Balance Sheets (Results/YoY Change)

(¥ million)	Dec. 31, 2017 March 31, 2018		YoY Change
① Current Assets	7,589	7,427	-161
2 Non-current Assets	18,180	18,225	+44
3 Deferred Assets	0	0	+0
Total Assets	25,770	25,653	-116
4 Current Liabilities	12,129	12,212	+83
⑤ Non-current Liabilities	6,942	6,537	-404
Total Liabilities	19,072	18,750	-321
⑥ Total Equity	6,697	6,902	+204



- Liabilities **decreased** with the repayment of long-term financial liabilities. Equity **increased** from recording net income.
- As a result, the equity ratio improved from 26.0% to 26.9%.

- Dividend Policy for 2018
 - Continue to pay quarterly dividends

- Scheduled First Quarter Dividend for 2018
 - A dividend of 1.70 yen per share is scheduled to be paid on Monday, June 25, as originally planned.

	First Quarter	Second Quarter (scheduled)	Third Quarter (scheduled)	Fourth Quarter (scheduled)
Dividend per share	1.70 yen	1.70 yen	1.70 yen	1.70 yen

Notes: 1. 100 shares per unit of the Company's stock.

^{2.} The Company increased its dividend as of the first quarter of 2018.

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Report on Organizational Conditions for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2018

Product Market

Business Strategy

Financial Information (Income statement, balance sheet, etc.)

Labor Market

Organizational Strategy

Non-Financial Information (Engagement Score)

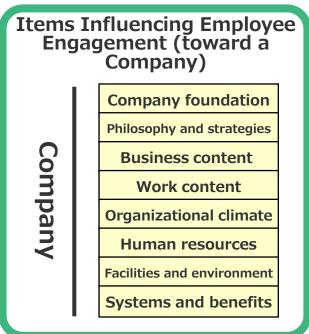
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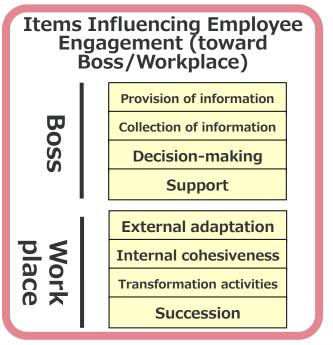
- As the source of competitive advantage shifts from "business strategy" to "organization strategy" and employment becomes more flexible, adaptation to the labor market as well as the product market is critical for businesses.
- To add to financial statements, which measure adaptation to the product market, Link and Motivation has introduced and administers Engagement Score (ES), the key management indicator for measuring adaptation to the labor market.

What is Engagement Score (ES)?

An indicator that provides a standard deviation value for employee engagement (the level of mutual understanding, empathy and commitment between companies and employees). An evaluation based on the results of an original organizational diagnostic survey developed by Link and Motivation.

Items for Measuring Employee Engagement





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- Elements that significantly influence employee engagement are classified into 16 areas based on social psychology.
- The areas are further subdivided into 132 items for questions on the organizational diagnostic survey.

Engagement Score

- Total score is calculated from items measuring employee engagement in areas including employee expectation, employee satisfaction and their level of matching and broadly divided into 9 ranks
- Cumulative data from more than 790,000 employees at 3,330 companies
 - **▼** Correspondence between Engagement Score and Rank

Score		42	45	48	52	55	58	6	1	67	
Rank	С	CC	CC	С В	BB	ВВ	В	А	AA	AAA	

Our Own Engagement Score (Link and Motivation Inc.)



<u>Overview of Organizational</u> Diagnostic Survey

Date: February 2018

Subjects: All employees of Link

and Motivation Inc.

Number of Subjects: 239



- With an **AAA** rank Engagement Score, employee engagement at Link and Motivation Inc. is in excellent condition.
- The Company aims to use the management resources of its personnel and organization for ongoing business growth.

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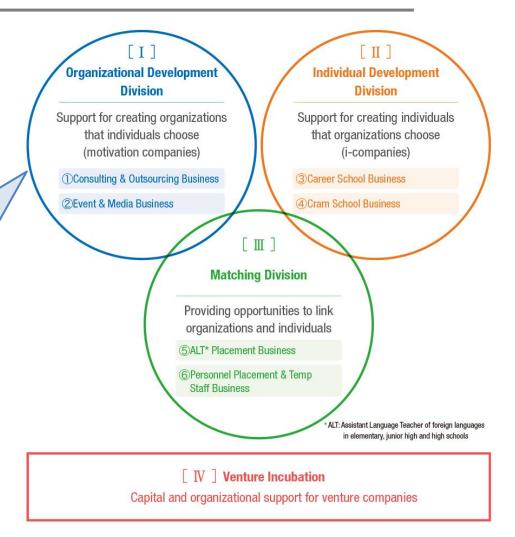
We will **strengthen the management structure** of the Organizational Development Division's Consulting & Outsourcing Business, where profitability is highest and substantial growth is expected.

After receiving approval at the 18th General Meeting of Shareholders, we appointed two new directors.

The two new directors are in charge of the Consulting & Outsourcing Business, our most profitable business.

Large Corporation
Consulting Department

Small and Medium-Sized Venture Company Consulting Department



New Director Profile

<u>Name</u>

Koji Asano

<u>Academic & Professional History</u>

1979 Born on November 3 in Hyogo Prefecture

2003 Graduated from Keio University, Faculty of Law

2003 Entered Link and Motivation Inc. (LMI)

2010 Executive Officer of LMI and General Manager of Business Development Dept., Motivation Management Company

2013 Executive Officer of LMI and Company Manager of Employee Relationship Management Company

2018 Director in charge of Small and Medium-Sized Venture Company Consulting Department, LMI (to present)



Reason for Appointment

Since entering LMI, he has been involved in consulting in the recruiting field, then in recruiting and personnel duties as the person in charge at the company. Thereafter, as an Executive Officer, he promoted the start of venture incubation and the launch of Motivation Cloud, Japan's first cloud-based organizational development service. He has knowledge and experience of the Company's overall business and in the field of organizational development, and he has been appointed Director to utilize them in the management of the Link and Motivation Group.

Area of Responsibility

Small and Medium-Sized Venture Company Consulting Department, Consulting & Outsourcing Business, Organizational Development Division

New Director Profile

Name

Masanao Kawauchi

<u>Academic and Professional History</u>

1979 Born on August 18 in Fukuoka Prefecture

2003 Graduated from Waseda University, School of Education

2003 Entered Link and Motivation Inc. (LMI)

2010 Executive Officer of LMI and General Manager of Entry Management Dept., Kansai Company

2013 Executive Officer of LMI and Company Manager of Entry Management West Company

2014 Executive Officer of LMI and Company Manager of Motivation Management Company

2018 Director in charge of Large Corporation Consulting Department, LMI (to present)



Reason for Appointment

Since entering LMI, he has been involved in consulting in the recruiting field, then the field of human resource training for current employees. Thereafter, as an Executive Officer, <a href="he-has-been a major driver of results as the person in charge of the Consulting Department in the fields of hiring, training and organizational vitalization for major corporations, the department with the highest earnings. He has knowledge and experience of the Company's overall business and in the field of organizational development, and he has been appointed Director to utilize them in the management of the Link and Motivation Group.

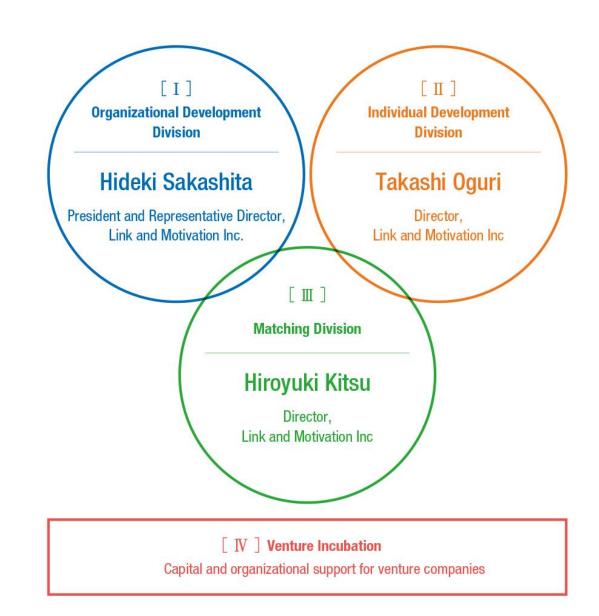
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Large Corporation Consulting Department, Consulting & Outsourcing Business, Organizational Development Division

Progress Report on Key Indicators

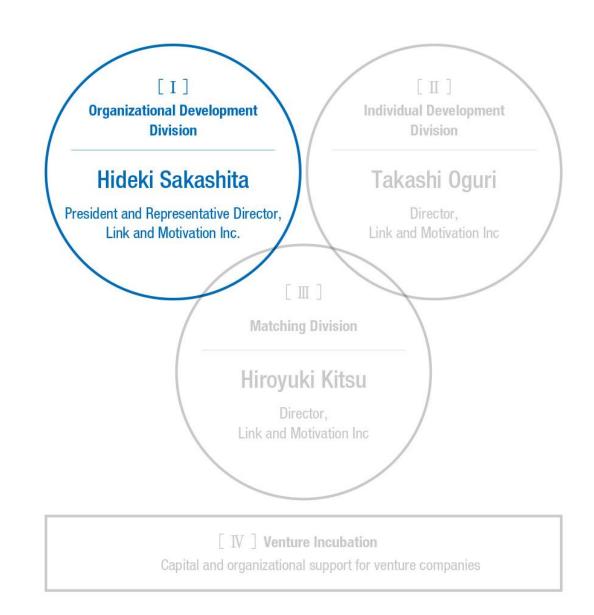
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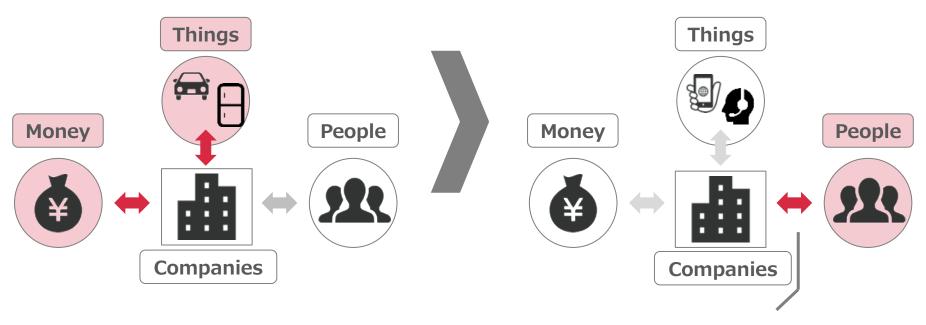


Era of Tangibles (Hard)

Focus on procuring money and investing in things

Era of Intangibles (Soft)

Shift to procuring and investing in people



People x Technology

Advance of HR Tech

Motivation Cloud is the first HR tech cloud service in Japan for managing employee engagement.¹

1. Engagement (the level of mutual understanding, empathy and commitment between companies and employees) is correlated with business performance.



Monthly pay-as-you-go model (fee business)
corresponding to business size
Certain functions patented
Cumulative data on
more than 790,000 employees at 3,330 companies

Since its release in July 2016, the number of contact points² has exceeded 520 Number one cloud service for managing employee engagement³

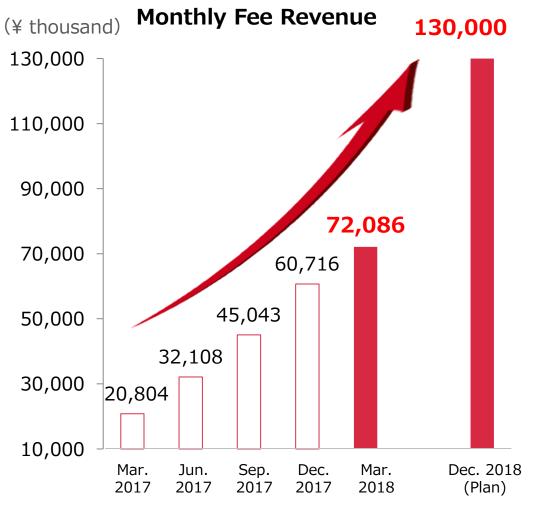
- 2. Motivation Cloud service subscribers (as of April 2018)
- 3. Link & Motivation data (as of April 2018)

A cloud-based service that improves engagement by quantifying the level of employee engagement and going through the Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) cycle for organizational improvement



Organizational Development Division Key Indicator: Motivation Cloud Progress

We are building a stable earnings structure with steady gains in monthly fee revenue. Due to promotion of contact points at major corporations, the unit price has risen.



Breakdown of Monthly Fee Revenue in March 2018

Completed orders¹: 435

Average monthly fee2: ¥165,000/month

Promotion of contact points at major corporations with large organizations has led to an **increase in the average monthly fee**³

(As of Dec, 2017: ¥162,000/month)

Steadily growing toward monthly fee revenue of ¥330 million by the end of 2020 (annual business around ¥4 billion)

- 1. Motivation Cloud service delivery starts
- 2. Monthly fee revenue ÷ number of accounts
- 3. Monthly fees vary according to organization size

Organizational Development Division Key Indicator: Motivation Cloud Contact Points

We aim to raise employee engagement regardless of industry or company size. **Support is growing from leading companies in all industries.**

Orchestrating a brighter world



















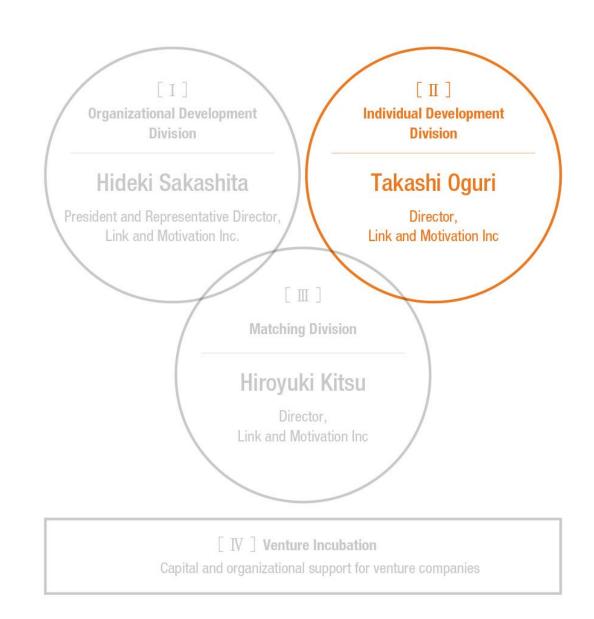






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Backed by demand for hiring IT staff, the Aviva Pro training course for IT human resources is growing steadily.

Aviva Pro Training Course for IT Human Resources





Course for learning Java, SQL and other programming skills in a game format. Industry-leading lineup of 40 courses.



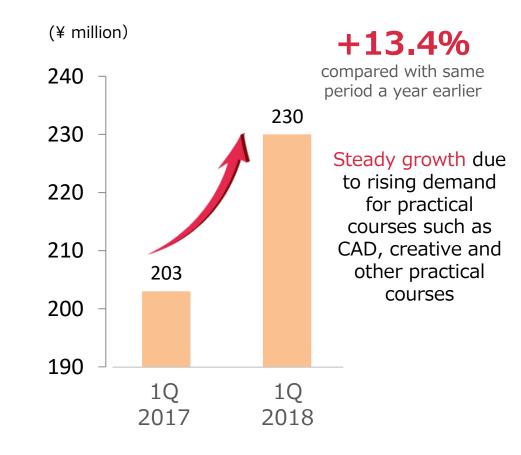




We plan to complement courses such as PHP, CAD and Android applications by adding IT courses such as AI and Deep Learning.

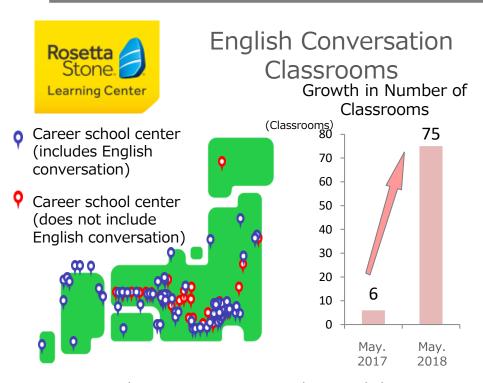
Promoting development with a target of 50 courses by the end of 2018.

Sales of Aviva Pro



Rollout of English conversation course and cram schools

using existing career school locations; **steady growth** backed by rising English education needs and trends in educational reforms.



We are making progress in providing English conversation courses using 109 Career Schools nationwide.

We have grown to 75 English conversation classrooms as of May, and are steadily expanding toward 85 classrooms by the end of 2018.

Cram School Classrooms



Motivation Academia, a cram school for junior and high school students, has three classrooms in Tokyo



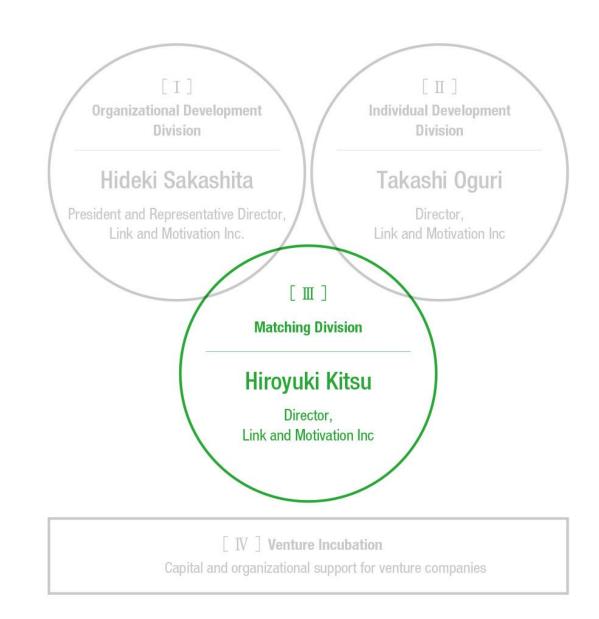
SS-1, an individual instruction school for students preparing for the junior high entrance exam, has 7 classrooms in Tokyo and Kansai

We are using the **shift from overemphasis on rote learning** spurred by the university entrance exam reforms set for 2020 as an opportunity to increase the number of classrooms.

With the May 1 opening of the SS-1 Shibuya school, we now have 10 cram school classrooms, and are steadily expanding toward 12 classrooms by the end of 2018.

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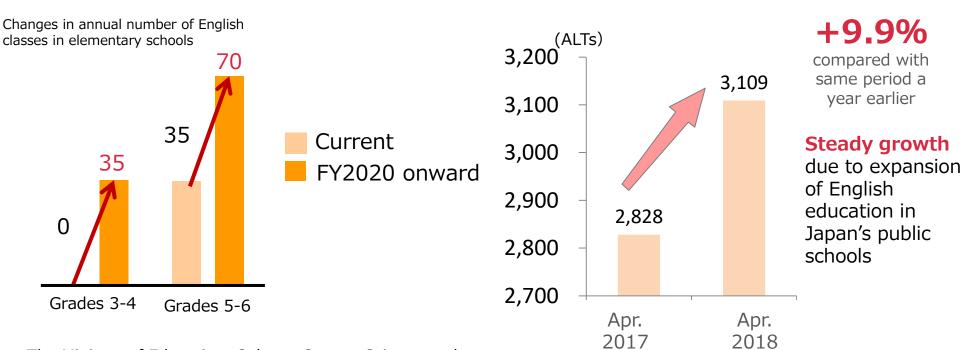
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The ALT market is expanding in line with MEXT policies. The number of ALTs placed has grown substantially in fiscal 2018.

Changing ALT Market Environment

Number of ALTs Placed



The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology is planning to place ALTs at all elementary schools (approximately 20,000 schools) by 2020, so ALT demand is expected to expand.

Rollout of new Foreign Worker Support Service that provides one-stop support for recruiting, reception and acclimation.

Steady growth from capturing foreign personnel employment needs.

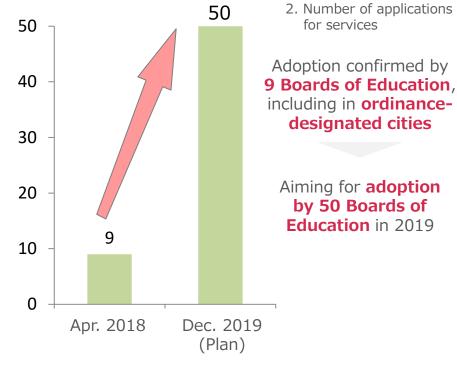
Recruiting Support: Number of Introductions Plan for the Year (People) 1,250 Aiming to 1,200 more than triple previous year's result Result as of April 730 2018¹ 700 1. ALT introductions are seasonal, with 339 hiring decisions reaching their peak in April. 200

2018

Introduction of foreign human resources as ALTs, English conversation teachers and in related fields from a pool of more than 40,000 registrants who want to work in Japan

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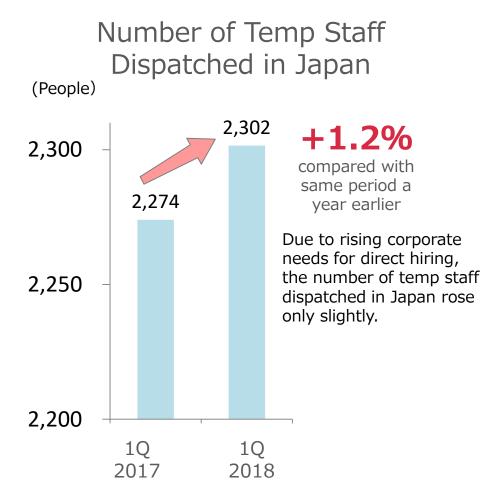
Reception/Acclimation Support: Number of Recipients²



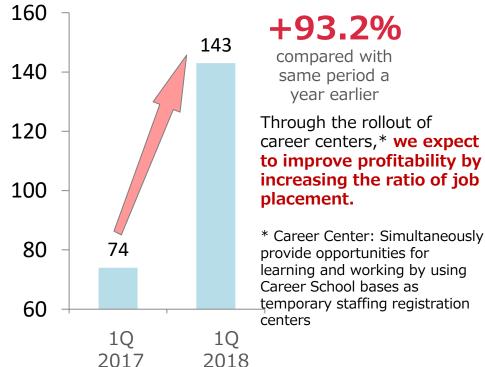
Providing an environment that makes it easy to work with support for foreign workers in Japan ranging from

finding housing and resident registration upon arrival to support for daily life

Although the number of temp staff dispatched in Japan has increased only slightly, with the rollout of career centers we expect to improve profitability by increasing matching efficiency.

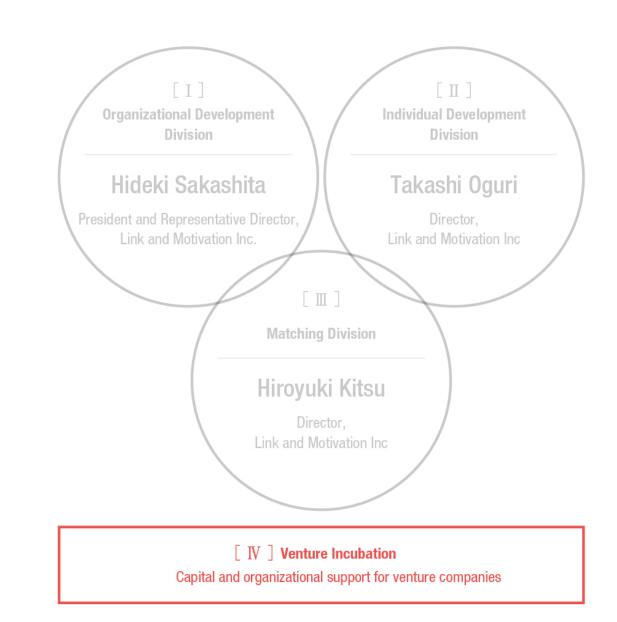


Number of Individual Development Division Students We Placed in Jobs (People)



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Established: July 2014

Representative: Taejun Shin, Representative Director & CEO

Employees: Non-consolidated: 12;

Consolidated: 496 (in 5 countries)

Capital: ¥1,183,064,254

Manifesto: We aspire to create a world in which everyone has

an opportunity to overcome one's own destiny and

attain a better life.

Business: Microfinance and related businesses

Small-scale financial services provided to low-income people who have no access to banks and other formal financial institutions

Currently doing business in Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Cambodia,

India and other countries



Gojo & Company, Inc.



Taejun Shin, Representative Director & CEO

After graduating from Waseda Graduate School of Finance, worked for Morgan Stanley Capital, Unison Capital and elsewhere, then founded Gojo & Company, Inc, in 2014.

Point

- Completed investment in Gojo & Company, Inc. with the aim of expanding microfinance worldwide.
- We will continue to provide support in the areas of organization and personnel as well as capital.

Venture Incubation Business: Investments at a Glance

① RichMedia Co., Ltd. Media design/Inbound marketing



7 schoo Inc Schoo Web campus



RakSul

② from scratch Co., Ltd.



Marketing support/Dispatch of technical staff

First Listing: Stock Listed March 17, 2016

- 3 Akatsuki Inc. O Akatsuki App development/Smartphone service development
- 4 FINC Inc.
 FINC diet coaches/Wellness
 management support



- (5) NEO CAREER CO., LTD

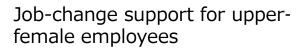
 Personnel introduction/
 Temp staffing (medical/nursing/daycare/IT)
- 6 Leading Mark, Inc.
 New graduate recruiting support/
 Job search consulting



- 8 raksul, Inc. E-commerce printing/Support for attracting customers
- **9 Renoveru Co., Ltd.**Used housing renovation



10 LiB, Inc.





11 PLAN-B Co., Ltd



Web consulting centered on SEO

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- Two selection criteria: (1) Sympathy with creating a Motivation Company; (2) Aim to list stock.
- Contribution to business growth through support in the organizational and personnel field.

Venture Incubation Business: Investments at a Glance

Second Listing: Stock Listed December 21, 2016

- (12) Innovation Inc.

 Marketing support specializing in BtoB
- (13) First Brand Inc. First Brand
 Corporate and individual branding support
- BIZREACH

 Job-change website for upper-echelon employees
- (15) GlobalCast Co., Ltd. Industry-specific business process outsourcing
- (16) ashita-team Inc. Creation of/support for personnel evaluation systems
- ① CLEAR CONSULTING CO., Ltd.

Accounting/tax consulting



18 Willgate, Inc.



Content marketing/media business

19 YARUKI Switch Group Holdings Co., Ltd.

Individualized instruction/ operation of day care facilities



- 20 Phone Appli Inc.
 Planning, development and sale of Web
 phone directory services
- ② Fond, Inc.
 Employee perks and rewards platform services



Investment Completed

22 **Gojo & Company, Inc.**Financial services in developing countries

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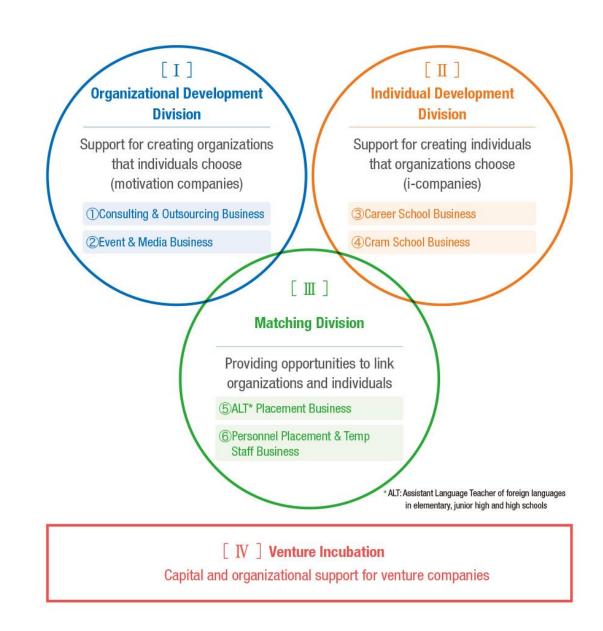
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