

**INDUSTRY LEADERS TO ESTABLISH “AI BUSINESS PROMOTION CONSORTIUM”
TO PROMOTE UTILIZATION OF AI TECHNOLOGY FOR BUSINESSES**

Tokyo, Japan December 13, 2017, CTC, EY Advisory & Consulting, Fujitsu, GRID, ITOCHU, Marubeni, MSYS, MITSUI, MKI, OSIssoft Japan, TIS, and zero to one announced today their establishment of AI Business Promotion Consortium to accelerate AI utilization across industries.

1. Background

Due to the advancement of IoT/AI technology, movement to utilizing data as the source of business intelligence is increasing. Whilst number of companies pursuing AI technologies to their services, progress of business applications is slower since many companies are yet in the experimental stage. Considering global current of AI awareness, it is essential for Japan’s industrial competency to promote business AI application while encouraging digital transformation of the companies. “AI Business Promotion Consortium” is established with the vision to enhance industry-wide technical level of AI development by sharing knowledges and use cases.

Member companies will participate to promote businesses and research activities for the benefit of society through business cooperation and sharing AI applications.

2. About the Consortium

NAME	AI Business Promotion Consortium
ESTABLISHED	December 13th, 2017
PURPOSE	Promotion of AI businesses and research activities for the benefit of society
MEMBER <small>in alphabetical order indicated * are the board of directors</small>	ITOCHU Techno-Solutions Corporation (CTC) * EY Advisory & Consulting Co., Ltd. GRID inc. * Fujitsu Limited * Marubeni Corporation MARUBENI INFORMATION SYSTEMS Co.,Ltd. MITSUI & CO., LTD. MITSUI KNOWLEDGE INDUSTRY CO., LTD. OSIssoft JAPAN KK TIS Inc. * zero to one, Inc.

3. Main Activities

To share:

- AI technological knowledge and business promotion
- Application programs, tutorials and information regarding AI development
- Information for business partnership on AI development

To organize purposed working group

[Organization and Roles]

By organizing the committee among participant companies.

The committee will operate activities and execute policies when necessary.

[Consortium Logo]



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