

Q1 Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 2025 (including Business Plan and Growth Potential)

Ibis Inc.

May 9, 2025



## As an App Developed by a Japanese Company, It Has Been No. 1 in Active Users in Europe and the US for 5 Consecutive Years

and Ranked in the Top 3 Globally for 5 Consecutive Years

#### P2/P3 Survey Overview

Survey Method: Data collected from mobile data analysis tool "data ai Intelligence" Survey Target: Japanese apps of all categories on iPhone and Android Phone

Target regions: Global, including countries from the five geographical regions defined by the United Nations, based on data availa

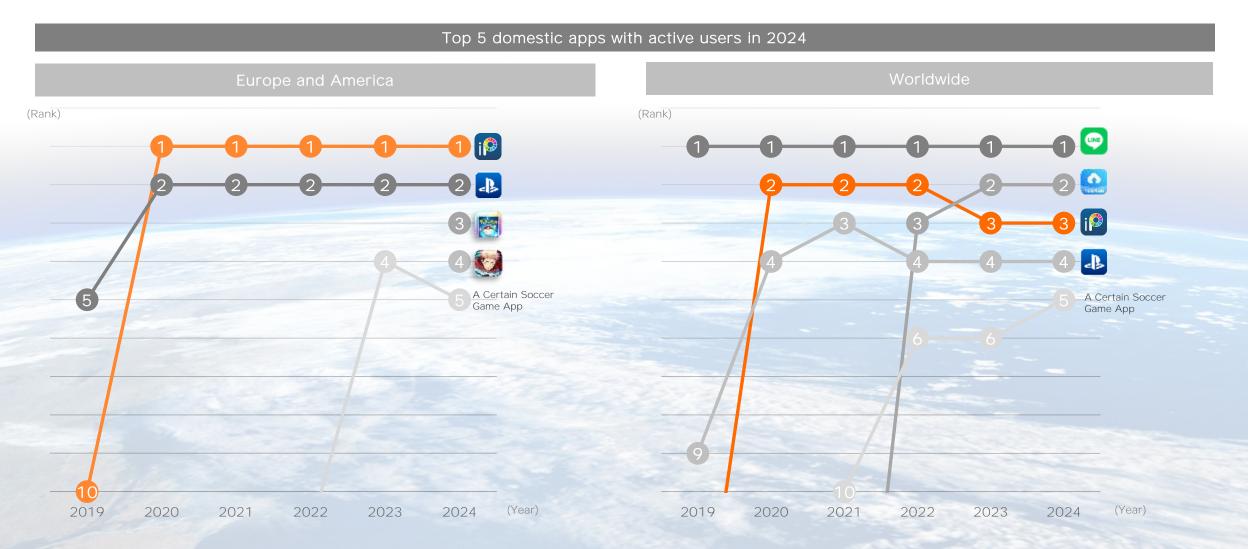
Target regions: Global, including countries from the five geographical regions defined by the United Nations, based on data available from Gatele. These regions include 27 countries in Europe, 12 countries in the Americas, 25 countries in Asia, 3 countries in Africa, and 2 countries in Oceania). Survey Period: Usage status for each year over the six-year period from 2019 to 2024

Survey Data: Average monthly active users (MAU) for each year

Survey Date: January 22, 2025



## In the Rapidly Changing Global App Market, We Are Leading the Way with Made in Japan Products



App name (developer): Jujutsu Kaisen Phantom Parade (Sumzap Inc.), TeraBox (Flextech Inc.), PlayStation App (Sony Interactive Entertainment Inc.), Pokémon TCG Pocket (The Pokémon Company), LINE (LY Corporation), sted in Japaese alphabetical order by app name.



<sup>\*</sup>See page 2 for the survey summary

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#### Strong Start with Record Profit: Subscription Model Fully Deployed

Q1 Financial Results (Reporting Period)

**Consolidated Plan** 

Growth Potential (as of 2025)

- ✓ Operating profit and all subsequent profit levels hit record highs, with progress exceeding a quarter of the full-year plan
- ✓ Mobile segrement maintains strong growth with subscription sales up 90.3% and subscribers up 97.6% YoY, maintaining nearly double the growth
- ✓ App adversiging sales remained soft, declining 27.0%, partly due to carryover effects from past initiatives
- ✓ In the solutions segment, sales increased by 2.7% driven by IT engineer dispatch, and segment profit improved significantly by 135.0%, supported by high-margin project wins and productivity enhancement initiatives.
- ✓ With a focus on maintaining high profit margins, both the mobile and solutions segments aim for sales and profit growth
- ✓ The mobile segment is forecast to see 1.6x growth in subscription sales, while in-app advertising sales are projected with a highly conservative outlook
- ✓ The solutions segment is leveraging AI to significantly improve development productivity and enhance gross profit margins
- Based on the new dividend payout ratio (20-25%), the dividend for this fiscal year is planned at 50 yen (40 yen in the prior fiscal year)
- ✓ Techno-Speech, Inc. was made a wholly owned subsidiary at the end of January 2025; its financial results will be reflected in the consolidated plan from Q2 onward
- We aim to drive growth across all segments mobile, solutions, and AI singing voice synthesis (Techno-Speech)
- ✓ The main growth driver is subscriptions, with in-app purchase sales expected to surpass in-app advertising sales in two years
- ✓ We will further accelerate subscription conversion efforts targeting <u>2 million potential users</u>, representing an estimated sales opportunity of 5 billion yen
- ✓ As part of our high-end strategy, we plan to launch the long-awaited Mac version within one year to capture the professional market
- ✓ The solutions segment continues to deliver stable growth, while the AI singing voice synthesis segment is laying the foundation for midto long-term expansion

<sup>\*</sup> All percentages are vear-on-vear

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## 1. FY2025/12 Q1 Financial Results



#### Record Highs in Operating Profit, Operating Profit Margin, and Subscription Sales

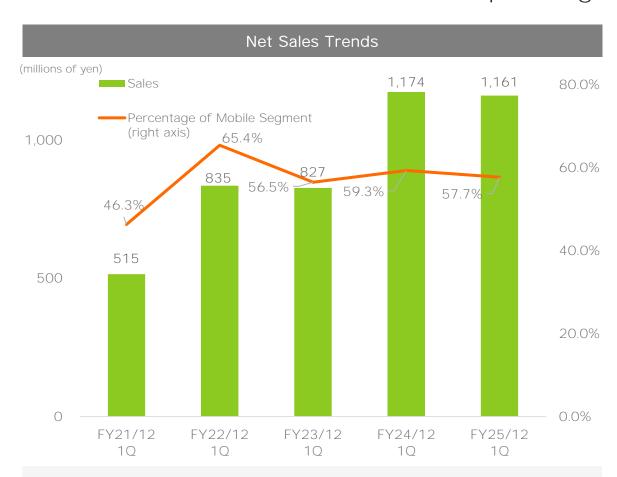
	FY2024/12 Q1 Non-consolidated Results	FY2025/12 Q1 Consolidated Results	YoY
Net Sales	1.17 billion yen	1.16 billion yen	-1.1%
Operating Profit	250 million yen	300 million yen	+18.4%
Operating Profit Margin	22.0%	26.4%	+19.7%
Subscription Sales from the ibisPaint Series	120 million yen	240 million yen	+90.3%



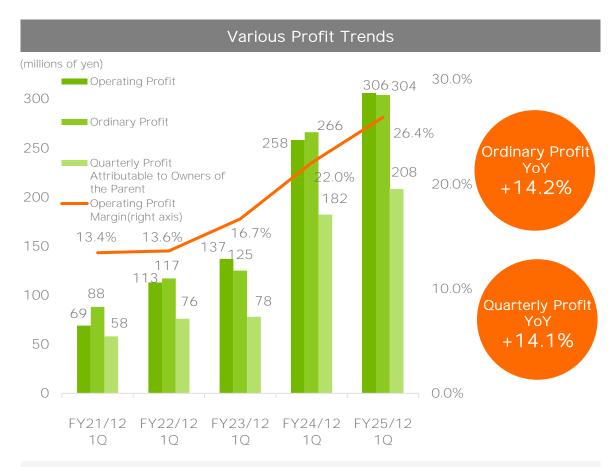
<sup>\*</sup> YoY stands for "Year over Year" and refers to the year-on-year rate of change.

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## Stable Earnings Structure Established, with Steady Profit Growth Despite Slight Sales Decline



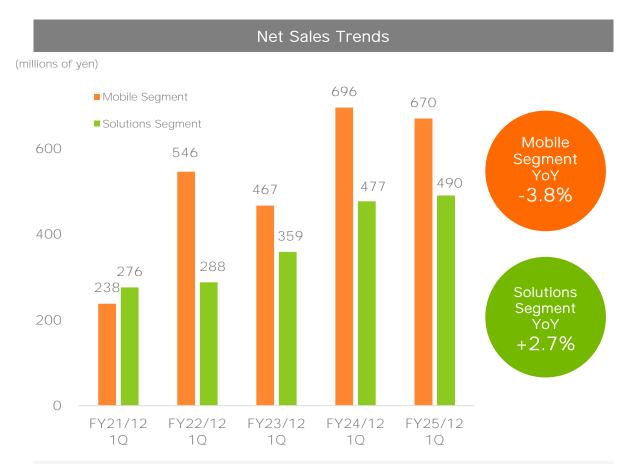
✓ Company-wide sales amounted to 1.16 billion yen (YoY-1.1%), with the mobile segment accounting for 57.7%, down 1.6 points.

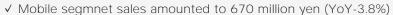


- ✓ By reducing advertising expenses in the Mobile segment and recruitment expenses in the solutions segment, operating profit increased to 306 million yen (YoY+18.4%), and the operating profit margin rose by 26.4%, a significant increase of 4.4 percentage points
- ✓ Ordinary profit increased to 304 million yen (+14.2%) and quarterly profit increased to 208 million yen (+14.1%)



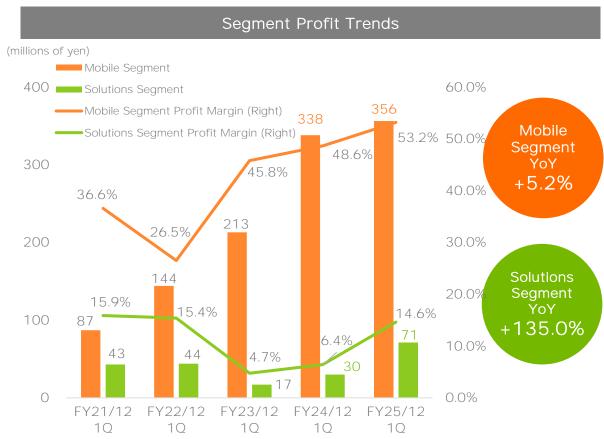
#### Significant Profit Margin Expansion in Both Mobile and Solutions Segments





<sup>✓</sup> Although sales decreased due to the impact of in-app advertising sales, subscription sales, which will become a future sales pillar, increased (YoY+90.3%)

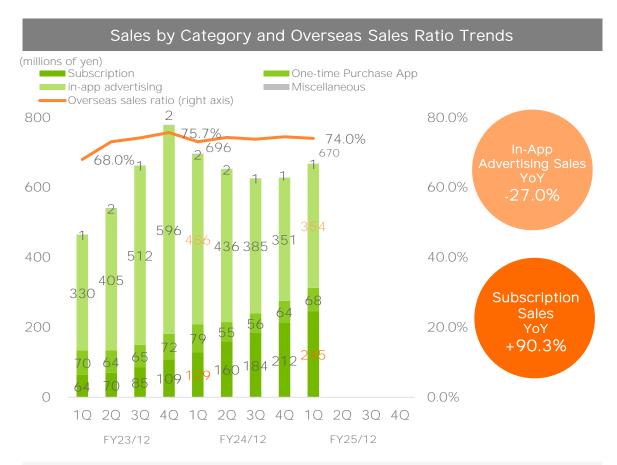
✓ Solutions segment sales amounted to 490 million yen (+2.7%)



- ✓ Mobile segment profit increased by 356 million yen (YoY+5.2%) due to the continued shift toward organic growth
- ✓ Solutions segment profit more than doubled to 71 million yen (+135.0%) due to the continued strategy of acquiring high-profit projects
- ✓ Mobile segment profit margin increased by 4.6 percent points to 53.2% and Solutions segment profit margin increased by 8.2 percentage points to 14.6%

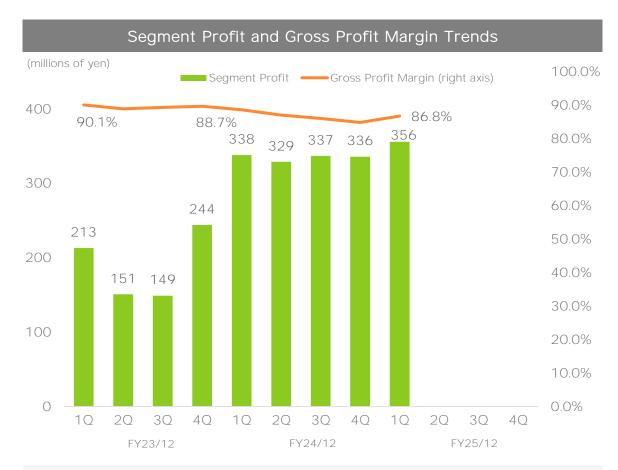


#### Subscription Sales: Growing into a Pillar of Sales with Strong Gross Profit Margins





<sup>√</sup> Sales of in-app advertising were temporarily impacted by unexpected issues arising from certain measures in May FY2024, but signs of recovery are beginning to emerge. However, this impact persited in Q1, with sales totaling 354 million yen (YoY-27.0%)

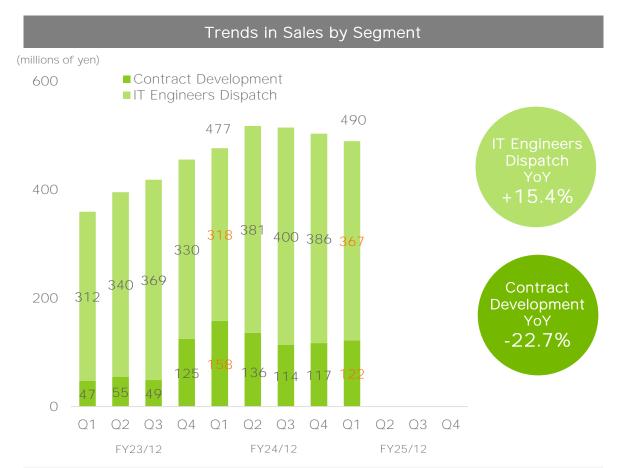


- ✓ Mobile segment profit totaled 356 million yen (YoY+5.2%)
- ✓ We have evolved our mobile advertising strategy from the previous 4Q and we currently fine-tuning it to a model that directly leads to an increase in in-app purchasing users. By acquiring new users at a low cost we ensure profitability
- √ Gross Profit Margin decreased by 1.9 percentage points YoY due to investments in engineering talent
  and other factors, but remained high at 86.8%



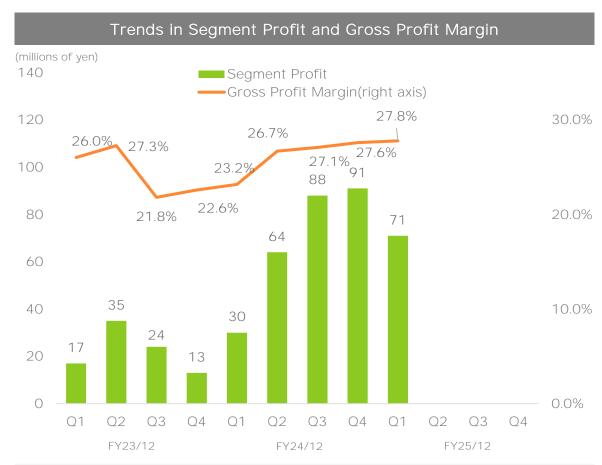
<sup>√</sup> Subscription Sales increased to 245 million yen (+90.3%), continuing to receive strong support from users

## Segment Profit Reached a Record High in Q1 Due to the Acquisitions of High-Profit Projects and Productivity Improvements





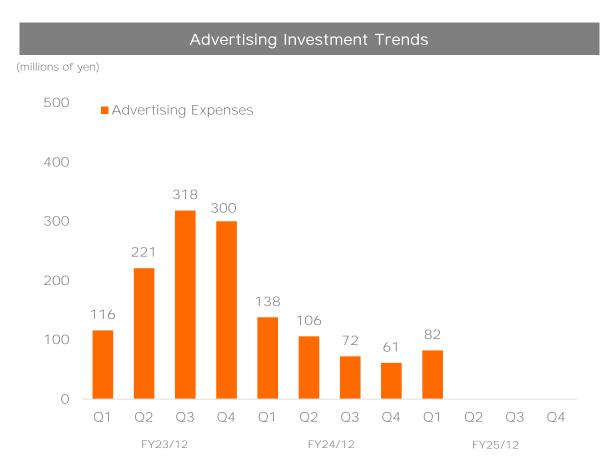
- ✓ As a result of continuing to focus on acquiring highly profitable projects rather than contract development projects, IT engineer dispatch sales totaled 367 million yen (+15.4%), while contract development sales totaled 122 million yen (-22.7%)
- Organizational changes were implemented to strengthen collaboration between departments and accelerate the decision-making process. Gradual improvements are expected after the summer

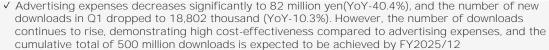


- √ As a result of the policy of carefully selecting top-tier SEs, solutions segment profit amounted to 71 million yen (YoY+135.0%) due to a reduction in investment
- √ Gross profit margin increased by 4.6 percentage points YoY, driven by a focus on acquiring highly
  profitable projects
- ✓ Results have started to appear from efforts to use AI to improve development productivity and build a highly profitable SI system



#### Strategic Implementations of Investment in Advertising and Engineers for Sustainable Growth





✓ Advertising expenses are incurred in mobile segment, with a focus on increasing the number of in-app purchasing users. The advertising-to-sales ratio will be kept at a stable level, and we will continue to manage it effectively while making timely and flexible advertising investments as needed

#### Trends in Investment in Engineers (millions of yen) ■ Mobile Costs(Recruitment Costs) ■ Mobile Segment(Labor Costs) ■ Solutions Segment(Recruitment Costs) ■ Solutions Segment(Labor Costs) 448 400 200 01 04 FY23/12 FY24/12 FY25/12

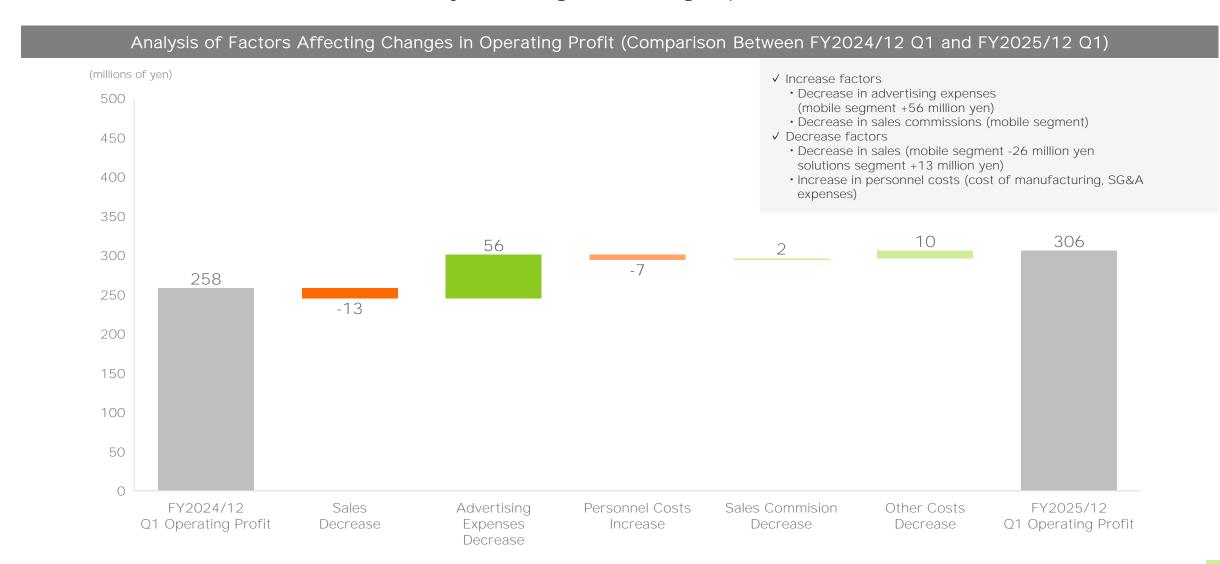
- $\checkmark$  Investment in engineers in the mobile segment amounted to 75 million yen (YoY+25.3%)
- Investment in engineers in solutions segment amounted to 372 million yen (YoY-5.2%), with both recruitment and labor costs decreasing



Investment in Engineers refers to the total labor and hiring costs of engineers in each segment.

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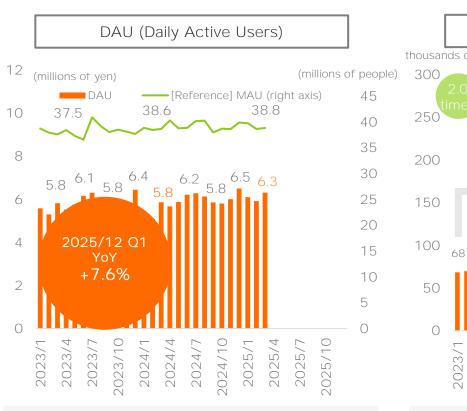
## Secure Stable Profits and Make Progress in Shifting Towards a More Profitable Structure by Reducing Advertising Expenses



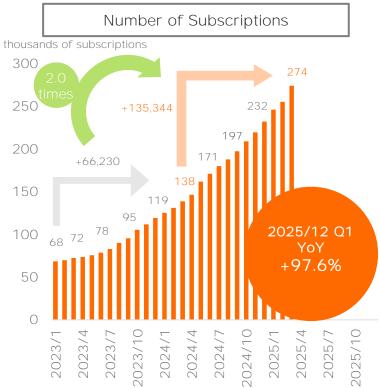


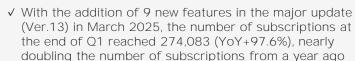
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## Subscriptions Increase at an Accelerated Rate, DAU Remains High, and IT Engineers Stay Stable

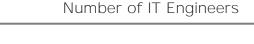








#### Solutions Segment





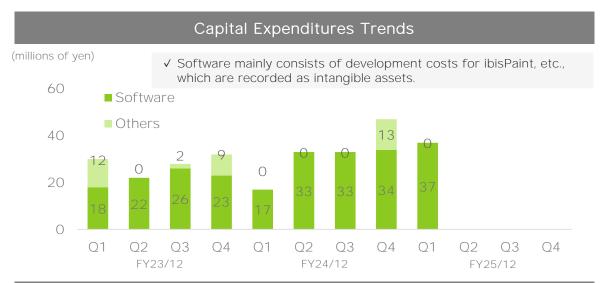
✓ The number of IT engineers was 241 (YoY-4.0%) due to the policy change to selectively hire top-tier SEs

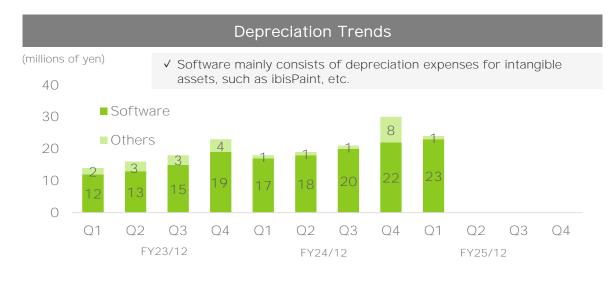


Mobile Segment

#### Company-wide FY2025/12 Q1 Capital Expenditures and Dollar-Yen Exchange Rate Trends

#### Investment Focus on Software Assets, Depreciation Increasing Due to Continued High-Function Strategy









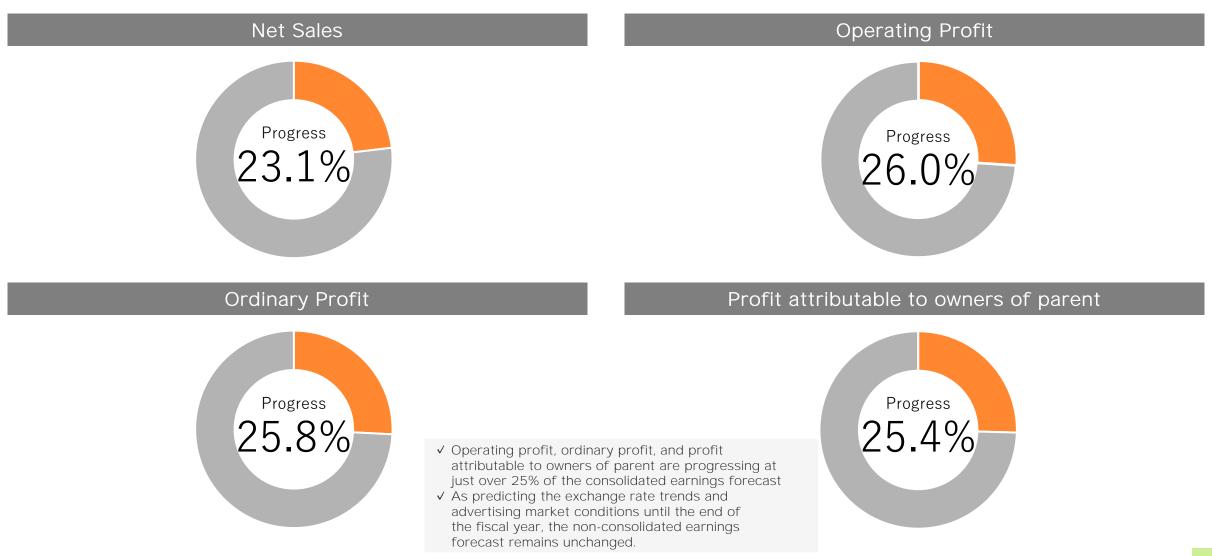


Capital investment is the increase in fixed assets during the period.

<sup>\*</sup> The dollar-yen exchange rate is the middle rate on the last business day of each quarter.

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## The Full-Year Non-Consolidated Plan Remains Unchanged as Various Profits Show Progress of Over 25%





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progress rates shown above refers to the ratio of non-consolidated results to the consolidated forecasts disclosed on or after page

#### Selected as the Best Drawing App of 2024, with New Features Added in major Update

Sensor Tower APAC Awards 2024
Winner of "Best Drawing App"



- ✓ Winner of the "Best Drawing App" award at the "Sensor Tower APAC Awards 2024", selected by Sensor Tower, a company providing an analysis platform for mobile apps and games
- ✓ The award was achieved due to global support, with over 90% of active users coming from overseas, and 23% of users coming from the US

#### Original Brush Pattern Feature Boosts User Engagement



- ✓ Version 13.0.0 was released on March 5, 2025
- ✓ A new feature allows users to create and use their own original brush patterns, as well as share them with other users. Paid members enjoy unlimited usage
- ✓ Additionally, nine new features including an enhanced fill tool — have been introduced exclusively for paid members, aiming to boost subscription numbers



### 2. FY2025/12 Consolidated Plan



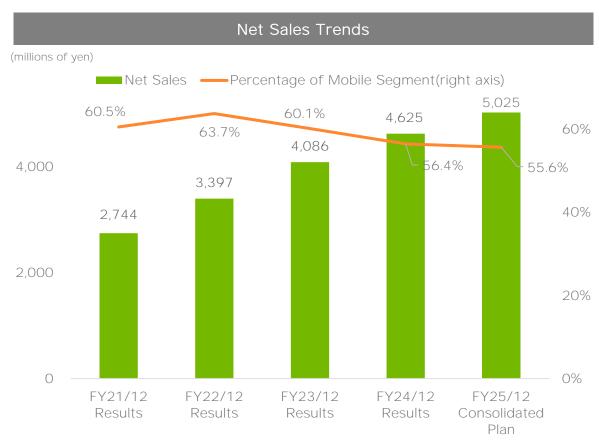
## Renovating Consolidated Plans: Aiming for 1.6x Growth in Subscription Sales and Expansion in Net Sales and Operating Profit

	FY2024/12 Non-Consolidated Result	FY2025/12 s Consolidated Plans	YoY
Net Sales	4.62 billion yen	5.02 billion yen	+8.6%
Operating Profit	1.15 billion yen	1.17 billion yen	+1.8%
Operating Profit Margin	25.0%	23.4%	-6.3%
ibisPaint Series Subscription Sales	687 million yen	1.11 billion yen	+62.2%



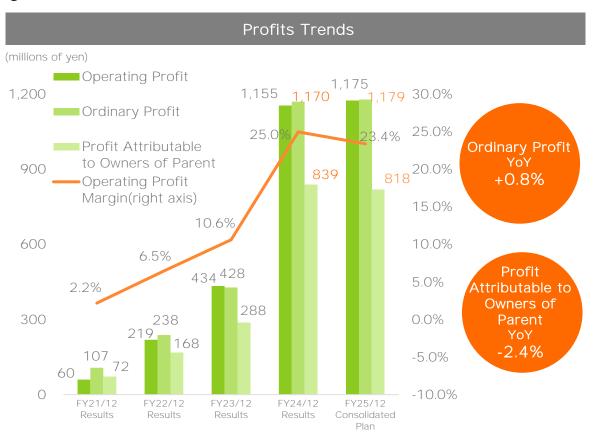
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## Despite the Impact of Consolidation, Net Sales and Profits Will Continue to Grow on an Ordinary Profit Basis





<sup>√</sup> The percentage of mobile segment is planned to remain in the upper 50% range



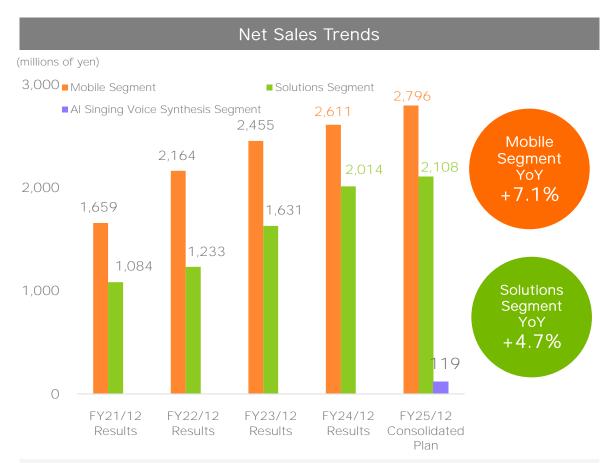
<sup>✓</sup> The operating profit is planned to be 1.17 billion yen (YoY+1.8%), the ordinary profit 1.17 billion yen (+0.8%), and the profit attributable to owners of parent 818 million yen (-2.4%)

Note: Organic growth means that ibisPaint holds an extremely high global user share of 86.5% (see page 43 for details). Based on this, we believe that growth can be achieved through word of mouth, which is why we implemented this strategy starting from the previous fiscal year.



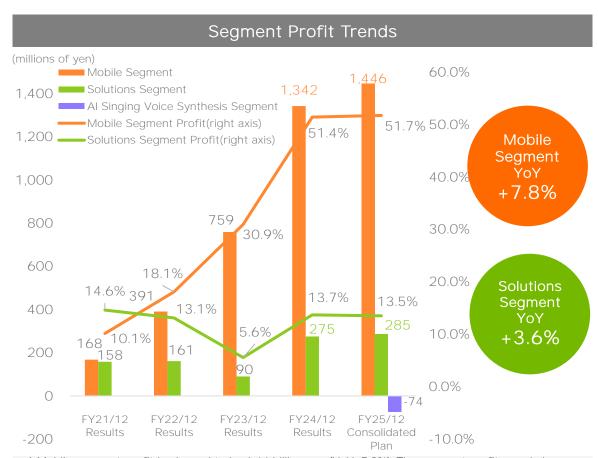
<sup>√</sup> in FY2025/12, we will continue the policy of organic growth (advertising expenses: half of the previous year) from FY2024/12

#### Aim for Further Sustainable Sales Growth through Strategic Measures including M&A





<sup>√</sup> Solutions segment sales were planned to be 2.10 billion yen (+4.7%), and we will continue to recruit highly highly skilled IT engineers and acquire high-profit projects



Mobile segment profit is planned to be 1.44 billion yen (YoY+7.8%). The segment profit margin is expected to remain high due to continued investment in more effective and efficient advertising



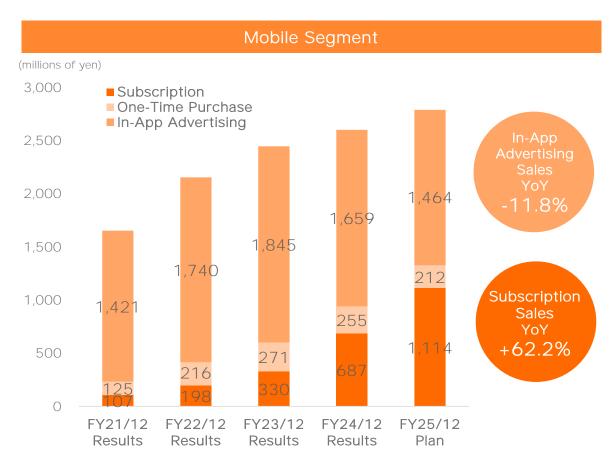
Al singing voice synthesis segment sales were planned to be 89 million yen for VoiSona sales and 30 million yen for contract development sales, totaling 119 million yen

<sup>√</sup> Solutions segment profit is planned to be 285 million yen (+3.6%). Although personnel expenses are expected to increase due to the acquisition of highly skilled talent, profits are also expected to increase as highly profitable projects are acquired, outweighing the increased costs

<sup>√</sup> Al singing voice synthesis segment profit is planned to be -74 million yen (including the amortization of goodwill of -56 million yen)

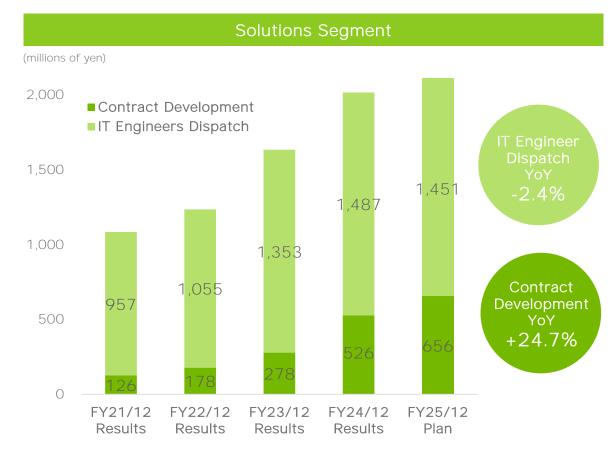
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#### Mobile: Subscription; Solutions: Contract Development as the Growth Drivers





<sup>✓</sup> In-App advertising sales are planned to reach 1.46 billion yen (-11.8%). In FY2024/12, the impact of unexpected issues with some sales-boosting measures continues for some time, so the forecast remains extremely cautious



<sup>✓</sup> Contract development sales are planned to be 656 million yen (YoY+24.7%) and IT engineer dispatch sales are planned to be 1.45 billion yen (-2.4%)



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<sup>√</sup> The expected exchange rate for the full year of the mobile segment is 141 yen (TTB140 yen, TTS142 yen)

<sup>✓</sup> Contract development will focus on quasi-delegated services that provide flexible supports for development at client locations

 $<sup>\</sup>checkmark$  While sticking to SIer, there is no change in the policy of prioritizing profit margins

#### Both Segments will Continue to Strengthen Investment in Engineers



<sup>✓</sup> Due to the continuation of the policy of shifting to organic growth from FY2024/12, advertising investment is planned to decrease further to 310 million yen (YoY-17.6%)



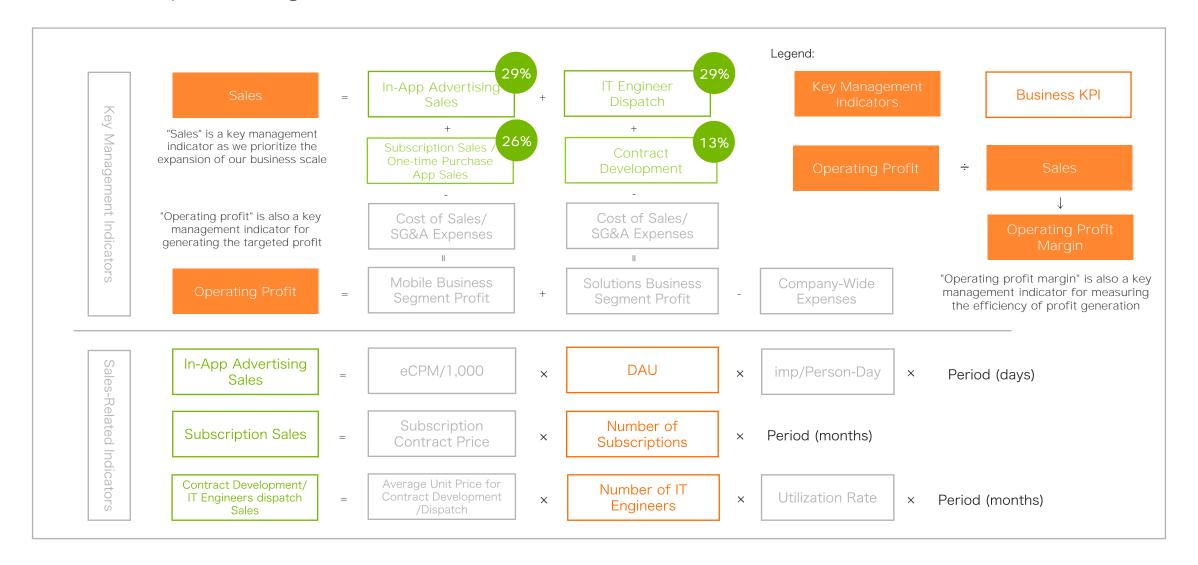
<sup>✓</sup> Investment in engineers is planned to increase to 368 million yen (+26.8%) in order to continue strengthening the human resources base

<sup>✓</sup> Investment in engineers is planned to be 1.6 billion yen (YoY+4.6%), with plans to further shift towards hiring highly skilled engineers, placing more emphasis on quality over quantity

Investment in engineers refers to the total labor costs and recruitment expenses for engineers within each segment.

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#### Simple Management Indicators and Business KPIs for Sustainable Growth



<sup>\*</sup> Percentages in white letters in circles represent the sales ratio for EY2024/12 (actual results)



<sup>\*</sup> eCPM stands for "effective Cost Per Mille" and refers to the actual cost per 1,000 ad impressions (which corresponds to our unit sales price)

<sup>\*</sup> DAU stands for "Daily Active Users" and represents the number of active users per day.

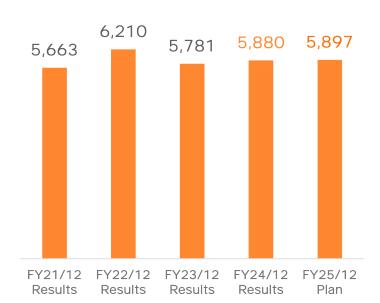
p stands for "impression" and refers to the number of ad impressions. In this context, it represents the number of ad impressions per day, adjusted by person-day

## Aim to Increase the Number of Subscriptions, the Source of Growth, by Approximately 1.5 times to 342,000

#### Mobile Segment

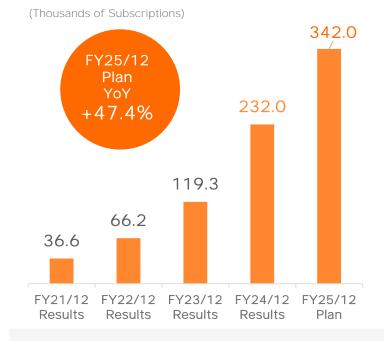
#### DAU

(Thousands of People)



✓ DAU is expected to remain at a stable level of, 5,897 thousand (YoY+0,3%)

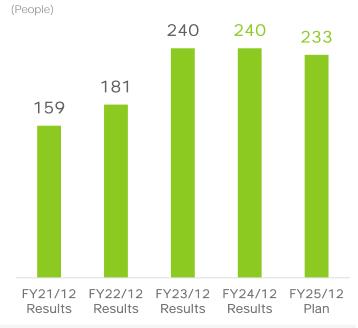
#### Number of Subscriptions



√ The number of subscriptions is expected to reach 342 thousand (YoY+47.4%), with continued strong growth

#### Solutions Segment

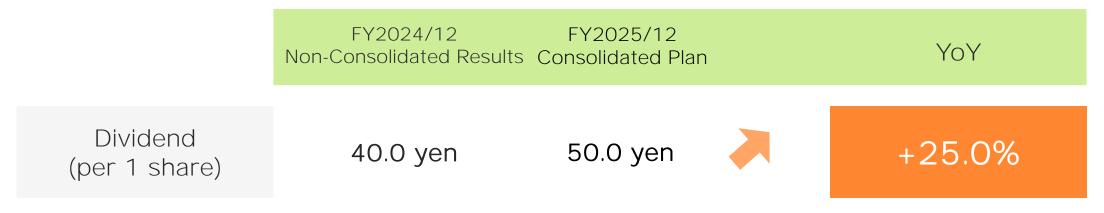
#### Number of IT Engineers

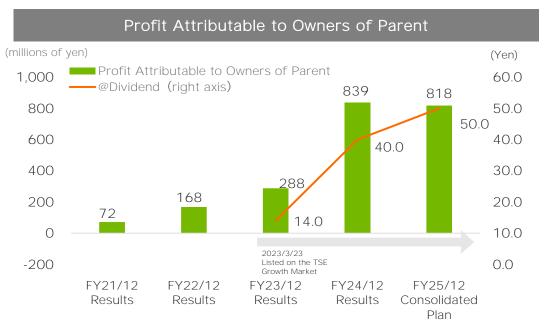


✓ Although the plan is to selectively hire highly skilled engineers for higher-profit projects, the number of IT engineers is expected to decrease to 233 (YoY-2.9%) due to the continued increase in retirements from FY2024/12



Based on a dividend payout ratio of 20–25%, the dividend for the current fiscal year is scheduled to be 50 yen per share.





We will continue to consider increasing shareholder returns in line with profit growth in line with profit growth.



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#### 3. Business Plan and Growth Potential

(Updated: February 10, 2025)



## 1) Company Overview





# DELIVERING "WOW!" EXPERIENCE ON MOBILE.

Ibis Inc. is a mobile-savvy engineering firm.

Illustration transcends language, ethnicity, religion, and gender.

Creating global communication through mobile painting apps.



## Boost Japanese Tech to the World

Ibis aims to elevate the global presence of 'Made in Japan'.















#### **EXPERTS**

## **Group of Experts in Advanced Technologies**

We are a group of experts who continuously acquire cutting-edge technologies, fully aware of our role as specialists in advanced technology, committed to solving societal challenges.



## Rapid Decision-Making and Execution

Not only do we develop fast and efficient software, but we also make swift decisions and execute them promptly, ensuring agility in our operations.

#### CHALLENGE

#### **Continuous Challenge**

By relentlessly pursuing challenges without slowing down, we create new value and drive innovation.



#### Company Profile

Company Name Ibis Inc.

Establishment May 11, 2000

¥390,087,077 Capital

Head Office ORIX-Yaesudori bldg.2F 1-5-1 Hatchobori, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104-0032, Japan

Number of Employees

333 (281 IT engineers)

Mobile Business, Solutions Business Business

(Contract Development and IT Engineer Dispatch)

Permission Worker Dispatch Business License Number (Dispatch Number13-317592)

Chief Executive Officer: Eiji Kamiya Director

Chief Operating Officer: Kazuhiko Murakami Chief Technology Officer: Takuya Maruyama Chief Financial Officer: Hidekazu Yasui

Audit and Supervisory Committee Member

Director: Yasuyuki Nakayama Outside Director: Yohei Miyazaki (CPA) Outside Director: Naoki Kondo (Attorney)

Listed Market Tokyo Stock Exchange Growth Market (Securities Code: 9343)

Closing date Last day of December

Major

shareholders

(Shareholding

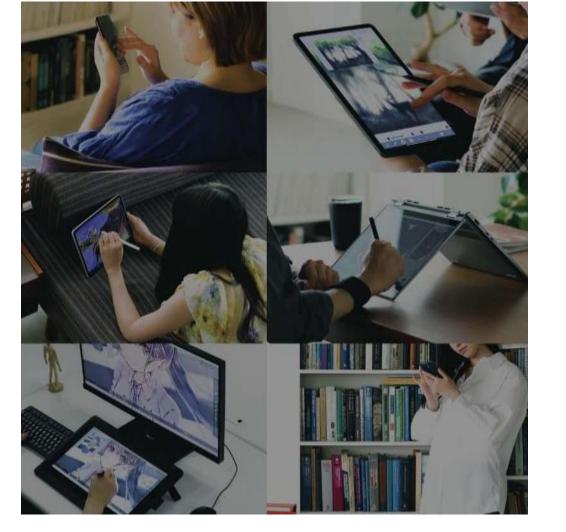
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Affiliates

(Shareholding Techno-Speech, Inc. (100.0%)

Eiji Kamiya (47.4%)

ratio)



#### Established for more than 20 years, focused on mobile app development

May 2000	Established Ibis Limited Company in Hamamatsu City, Shizuoka Prefecture (Mobile business started)
April 2001	Reorganized into a corporation in Nagoya City, Aichi Prefecture (Solutions business started)
December 2001	Designated Worker Dispatching (Special 23-020430) Certification (Solutions Business IT Engineer Dispatch Started)
October 2002	Tokyo Office Opened
June 2005	Full Browser App for Feature Phones "ibisBrowser" Released
September 2005	Full Mailer App for Feature Phones "ibisMail" Released
March 2007	Capital increased to 95,925,000 yen
September 2008	Privacy Mark (PMS) acquired
June 2011	First version of ibisPaint released
April 2014	Osaka Branch opened
March 2018	Worker Dispatching Business (Dispatch Number 23-302244) License obtained
October 2020	Cumulative downloads of the ibisPaint series exceed 100 million worldwide
December 2021	Cumulative downloads of the ibisPaint series exceed 200 million worldwide
January 2023	Cumulative downloads of the ibisPaint series exceed 300 million worldwide
March 2023	Listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Growth Market (Securities Code: 9343)
July 2023	Mobile Paint App "ibisPaint Edu" Released
May 2024	ibisPaint has been downloaded more than 400 million times worldwide
July 2024	Registered Head Office changed from Nagoya Head Office to Tokyo Head Office
October 2024	Nagoya Office started operations to expand mobile business

Eiji Kamiya, Chief Executive Officer



Mr. Kamiya was born in 1973 in Nagoya City, Aichi Prefecture, Japan. He graduated from the Department of Electrical and Information Engineering at Nagoya University of Technology.

From a young age, he showed a strong talent for programming.

During his student years, he planned, designed, and sold original software, using the proceeds to fund his future entrepreneurial ventures. After graduation, he worked as

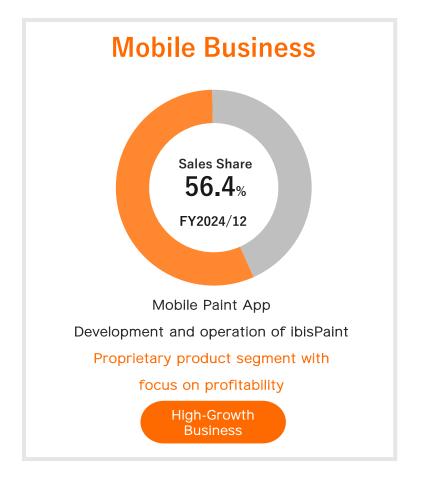
proceeds to fund his future entrepreneurial ventures. After graduation, he worked as a developer for several years. However, with the launch of NTT DoCoMo's i-mode service, he foresaw the rise of the mobile era and founded lbiss Corporation to seize the emerging opportunities.



## In Addition to Two Existing Businesses, a New Al Singing Voice Synthesis Business Is Launched Through M&A

In addition to the mobile business and solutions business based on the mobile development technology and know-how accumulated over many years

As of the end of January 2025, Techno-Speech, Inc. became a wholly-owned subsidiary and launched a third business using its AI singing voice synthesis technology

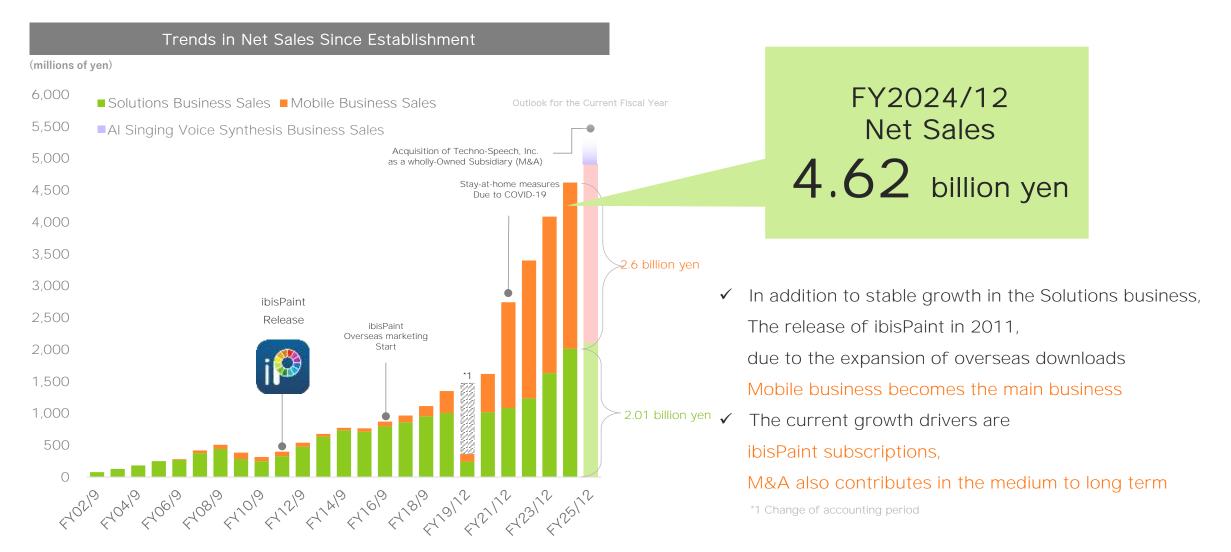








#### The Growth Drivers Are Subscriptions (and M&A) in the Mobile Business

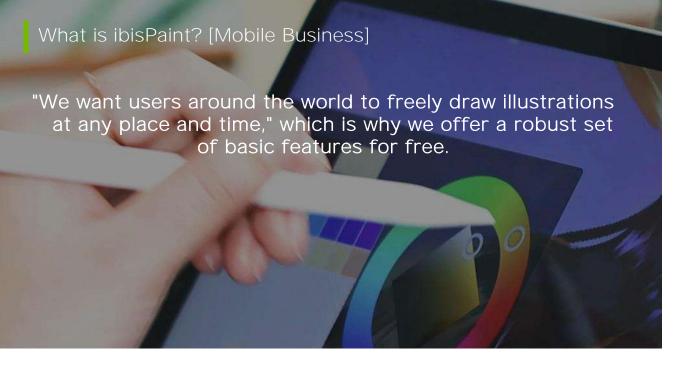




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## 2) Business Overview





#### ibisPaint For Windows is also rolling out as a new sales source



ibisPaint, the No.1 mobile paint app, lets users choose a familiar UI to further expand their work environment

From the first app for digital illustration, ibisPaint aims to be the next choice

\*See Appendix (p.66) for product lineup details

## Basic Functions Are Free and Unlimited More Advanced Functions Are Available to Paid Members

Equipped with advanced PC-like functionality on mobile devices.

Equipped with advanced features comparable to professional-grade painting software used by professional illustrators.

Watch the video to see the intuitive usability and quality achieved with ibisPaint.



Video of using ibisPaint (20 seconds)



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ibisPaint

Tolect Report

# Utilizing Cutting-Edge Artificial Intelligence (AI) Technologies to Powerfully Support Users' Creativity

#### 2023/05/10

Release of Al Super-Resolution Functionality (ibisPaint Ver.10.1.0)

The function that uses deep learning technology to enhance the image quality of an illustration with one tap

The image quality and size can be doubled

#### 2024/05/07

Release of Al Learning Interference Functionality (ibisPaint Ver.12.1.0)

The Function to add noise to illustrations that prevents additional learning by image generation Al

Add noise to illustrations without waiting time without requiring a separate plug-in

More new functions to be released in the future

#### Qualit

#### 2023/09/14

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Release of Al Background Removal Functionality (ibisPaint Ver.11.0.0)

Background Removal has been added as one of the Al-powered filters.

Taps can be used to read and crop specified objects

#### 2024/09/05

Al Watercolor Filter Release (ibisPaint Ver.12.2.0)

As one of the Al filters, a feature that utilizes deep learning technology to transform photos and illustrations into watercolor-like textures.

# Translated Into 19 Languages, With Users in More Than 200 Countries and Regions Around the World

Paint app for smartphones and tablets that lets you draw authentic illustrations with just one finger

## **Basic functions are free**

The free basic functions are the first app for drawing users.

Paying members will be provided with more advanced functions to differentiate themselves from the free version.

## Community

Create more engagement from the joy of seeing your illustrations with "ibispaint.com", which allows users to freely post their own illustrations



#### Number of overseas users

More than 90% of all downloads are from overseas. Apps used across borders for non-verbal communication of illustrations

#### **Generation Z**

This is the first illustration app for junior high and high school students who have smartphones for the first time. It matches not only drawing but also new trends such as photo processing and oshi-katsu.



### High-Quality Free Paint App Receives High Ratings

ibisPaint has established a new standard for painting apps: drawing with your finger using your smartphone.

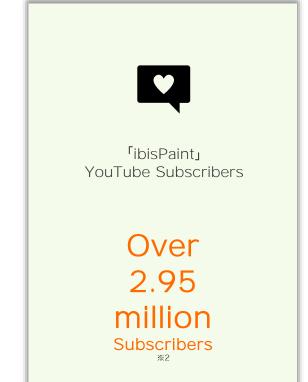
Achieved high levels of customer satisfaction from users, received high ratings in related media, and received awards for business



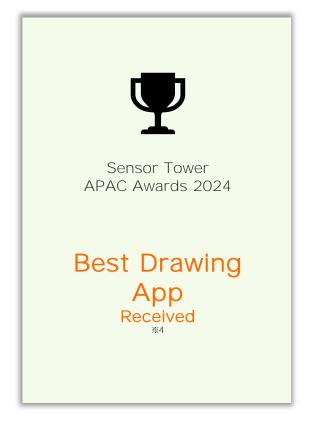
<sup>r</sup>ibisPaint」 App Store Ratings

AppStore 4.7/5

Google Play 4.6/5









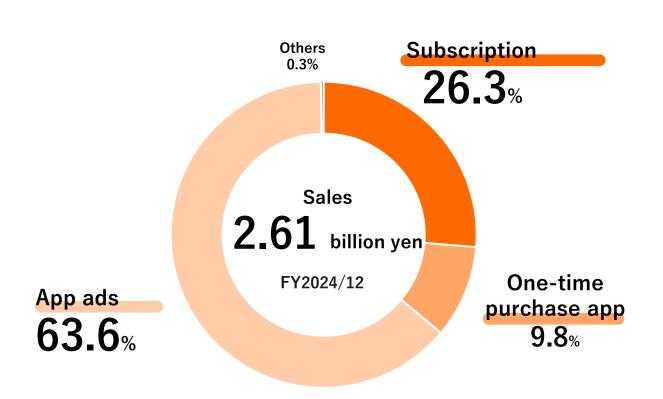
<sup>\*1 \* 2</sup> The data presented is as of February 4, 2025.

<sup>3</sup> Cool Japan Public-Private Partnerships Platform (Secretariat: Intellectual Property Strategy Promotion Office, Cabinet Office) holds the Award for Excellence In the Project (Business) Category.

<sup>\*4</sup> Based on Sensor Tower's estimated data and insights, this award aims to highlight outstanding mobile apps and games by APAC publishers.

### The Company Is Shifting From Freemium Model to In-App Purchase Model





#### Subscription

- ✓ Provision of a subscription-based (premium member) service that allows users to access additional features and materials, including the ad-hiding function
- ✓ Monetization through in-app purchases

#### One-Time Purchase App

- ✓ Provision of paid apps with ad-free functionality
- ✓ Provision of ad-free functionality add-ons for free apps
- ✓ Monetization through in-app purchases

#### In-App Advertising

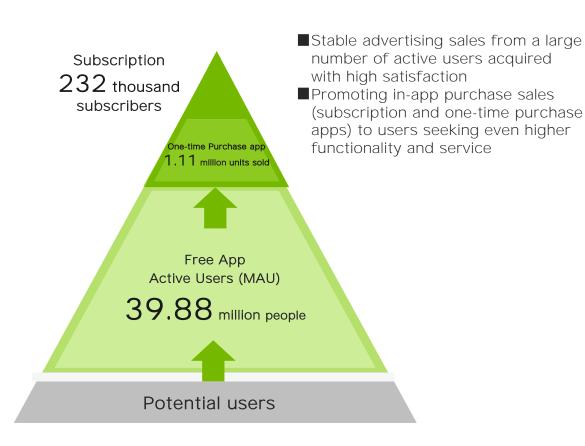
✓ Monetization by displaying banner ads and video ads from multiple SSP (Supply-Side Platform) providers on the free version of the app

\*For details on the product lineup, see Appendix (p. 65)



#### We Are Shifting From a Freemium Model to an App Payment Model

#### **User Configuration**



#### How the freemium model works

Because this is a freemium model, which is free in principle, it generates app advertising sales, allowing us to offer a wide range of features without charging users a high fee

A high level of satisfaction leads to more app downloads, resulting in stable advertising sales



## Shift towards in-app purchase monetization

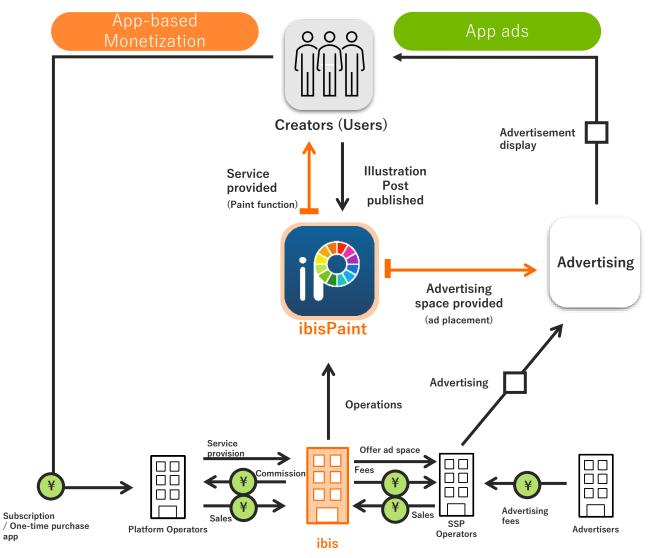
Promoting an increase in the app's sales conversion rate, with a focus on subcrtiptions



The data presented is as of December 31, 2024

J stands for "Monthly Active Users" and indicates the number of active users per month. This indicator is used to indicate the appropriate number of users for apps and websites.

### Sales Come From In-App Purchases and In-App Advertising Sales.

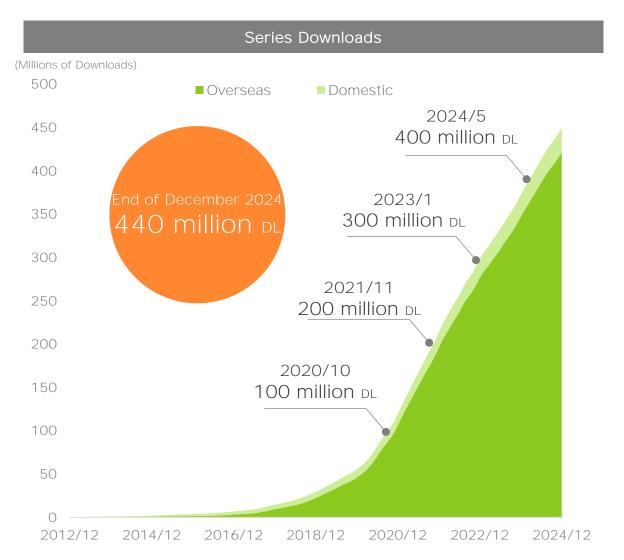


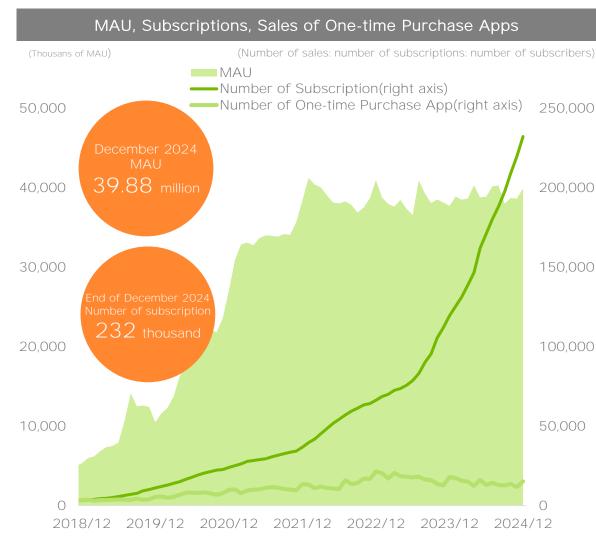
In addition to in-app advertising sales from the free version, we have diversified our sales sources through subscription sales from premium membership services and in-app purchase sales, including sales of one-time purchase apps.

- Major business partners
  - Google LLC
  - Apple Inc.
  - GMO Payment Gateway, Inc.



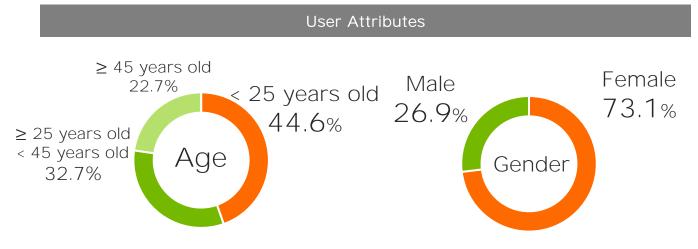
#### Source of Profit Is Acquisition and Retention of Core Digital Paint Users



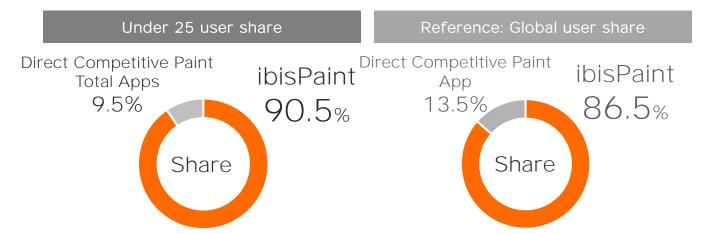




## The Majority of Users Are from Generation Z, with the Highest Share of Active Users Being Under 25



Most users (non-professionals) enjoy illustration as a hobby



Benefits of Being Supported by Generation Z

- By leveraging Generation Z's influence on social media and other digital platforms, we expect to increase our user base through word of mouth
- Among paint applications, ibisPaint is often the first app downloaded by Generation Z users. Once users begin using a paint app, they typically become accustomed to its unique interface and continue using it, making it less likely for them to switch to a competitor's product.

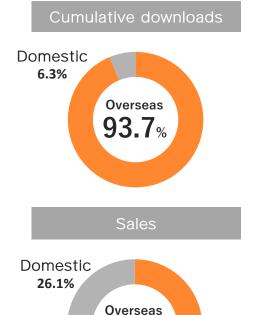


As Generation Z is expected to shape future consumptuion trends, we anticipate long-term sales opportunities from this user segment



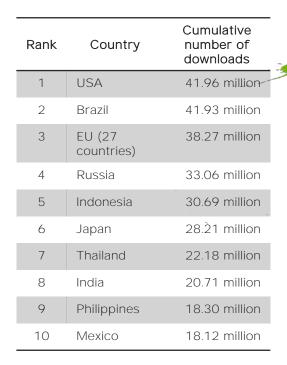
#### Overseas Sales Account for 70% or More as a Result of Active Overseas Promotion

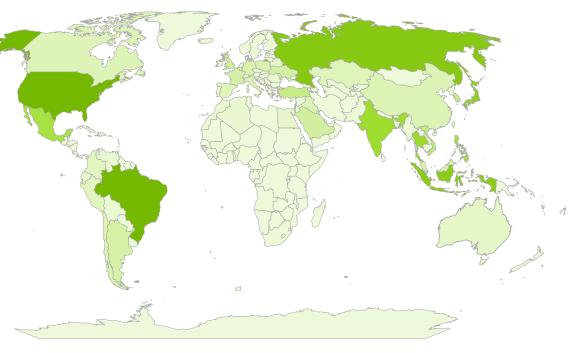
#### Overseas



73.9%

#### Cumulative downloads





Source: Bing

Australian Bureau of Statistics, GeoNames, Geospatial Data Edit, Microsoft, Navinfo, Open Places, OpenStreetMap, TomTom, Zenrin

Cumulative Downloads(End of 12/2024)





## Strong in Supporting Mobile App Development Using the Latest Technologies

Latest Technology We provide the latest technology to support application development not only for mobile devices such as smartphones and tablets, but also for PCs and other Internet devices in general.

Cloud nvironment Strong in supporting the construction and migration of cloud servers (including the construction of serverless environments), supported by the rapid evolution of cloud computing technology

High Customer Satisfaction

Increased orders for application development from a wide range of corporations and local governments, achieving high customer satisfaction in all cases

Engineer Growth Capacity To master a wide range of fields from basic to advanced technologies

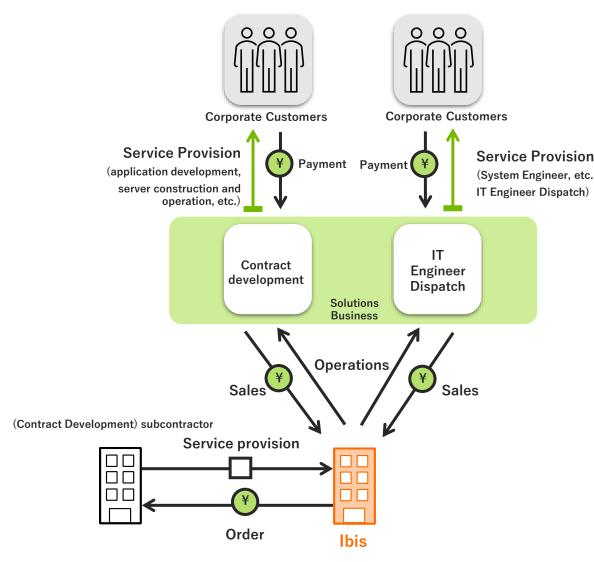
Provides a wide variety of educational curricula and practices on an OJT basis

# Breakdown of Sales from Solutions Business



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#### Since Its Founding, Two Highly Regarded Application Development Support Services



Application development for smartphones, tablets, PCs, and other internet terminals, contract development of cloud server environments, operation and maintenance, and IT engineer dispatch services

- Key Clients
  - KDDI Corporation
  - Honda Motor Co., Ltd.
  - Honda R&D Co., Ltd.
  - The Asahi Shimbun Company
  - · DWANGO Co., Ltd.

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#### About Techno-Speech [Al Singing Voice Synthesis Business]

Enriching People's Lives and Enjoying the World with the World's Leading Al Voice-Related Technologies

Aiming to Disseminate the World's Leading Voice-Related Technologies Developed at Nagoya Institute of Technology Techno-Speech, Inc., established in November 2009, becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary on January 31, 2025





<sup>\*</sup>Capital, number of employees, and major shareholders (shareholding ratio) are as of January 31, 2025

a result of the acquisition of shares, Techno-Speech, Inc. will become a consolidated subsidiary of our company starting from the fiscal year ending December 2025 and its nicial results will be included in our consolidated financial statements from this fiscal year (In accordance with the provisions on the deemed acquisition date in the Accounting Indiana to the Consolidated Financial Statements, the consolidated balance sheet will be incorporated as of March 31, 2025, and the consolidated statement of income will be provided from April 1, 2025.)

### 4 Highlights of Techno-Speech, a Pioneer in the Speech Synthesis Technology Business

1 The speech synthesis market is set for significant growth.

The global speech synthesis market, estimated at 600–800 billion yen in 2023, is expected to grow rapidly to 1.16–1.4 trillion yen by 2030.

2 World-class management and technical and development capabilities

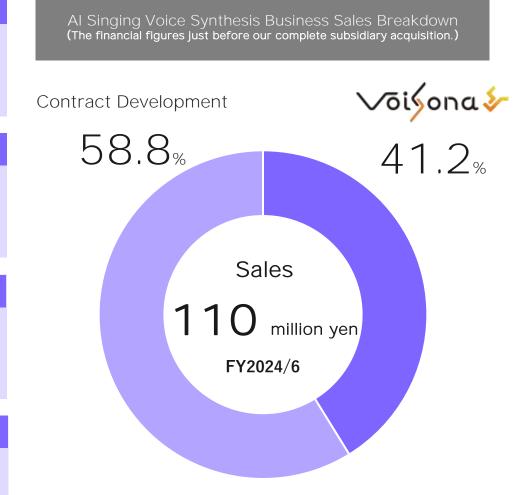
Led by President Keiichi Tokuda—who specializes in speech synthesis and is the only university professor in the field to have received the Medal with Purple Ribbon—the company is comprised of a small, elite team that includes graduates from his research lab as well as top-tier researchers and developers from the University of Tokyo. The team's technological capabilities are among the highest in Japan.

3 Proven track record with leading Japanese corporations

The company has established strong and enduring business relationships with major companies such as Konami Group Corporation, Tsuburaya Productions Co., Ltd., Casio Computer Co., Ltd., Kawai Musical Instruments Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Brother Industries, Ltd., Bandai Namco Entertainment Inc., SoftBank Group Corp., Sony Music Entertainment (Japan) Inc.

4 Basic B2B business and B2C business with high growth potential

Building on a stable B2B foundation through ongoing development from major corporations, the company has enhanced its technical and development capabilities. In addition to its participation in the CeVIO project since 2012, the company launched the Al singing voice synthesis app "VoiSona" in 2022 and is now expanding its business with a focus on the B2C domain.

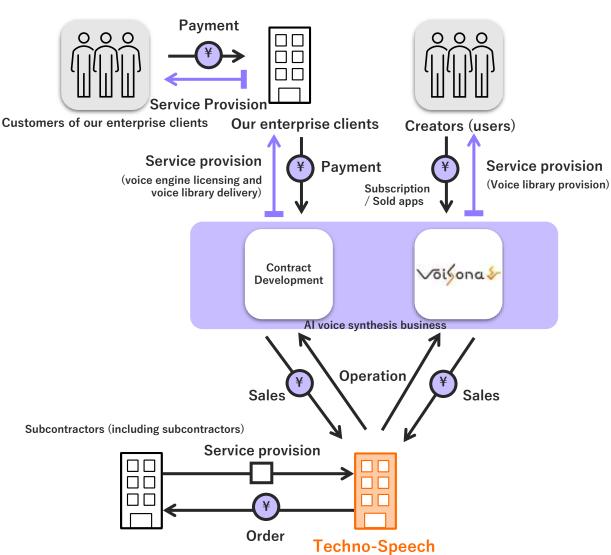




<sup>\*</sup>The sales breakdown chart for Voisona also includes sales from the CeVIO project in the same BtoC area for convenience \*The CeVIO project is a joint project established in 2012 with 4 major companies to support user-generated content.

#### Sales Structure [Al Singing Voice Synthesis Business]

Both the Core Business Contract Development and the Growing Business AI singing Voice Synthesis App VoiSona



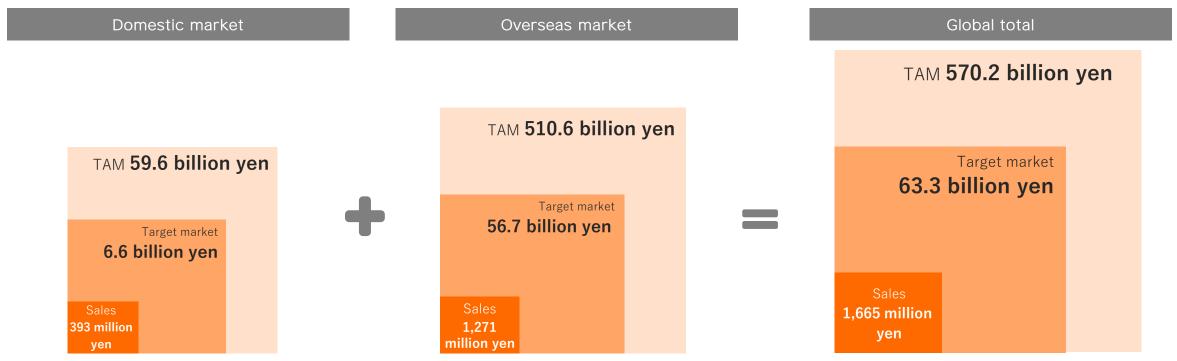
- ✓ Contract development for voice engine licensing and development and delivery of voice libraries that meet corporate needs (B2B)
- ✓ Al singing voice synthesis app Voisona (B2C) aims to expand globally with a wide range of voice libraries supported by users
  - Main business partners
    - Konami Digital Entertainment Co., Ltd.
    - BROTHER INDUSTRIES, LTD.
    - Kawai Musical Instruments Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
    - CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.
    - SoftBank Robotics Corp.



# 3) Market and Competitive Analysis



### The Market Size of the Paint App x Online Advertising Market Size Is Large

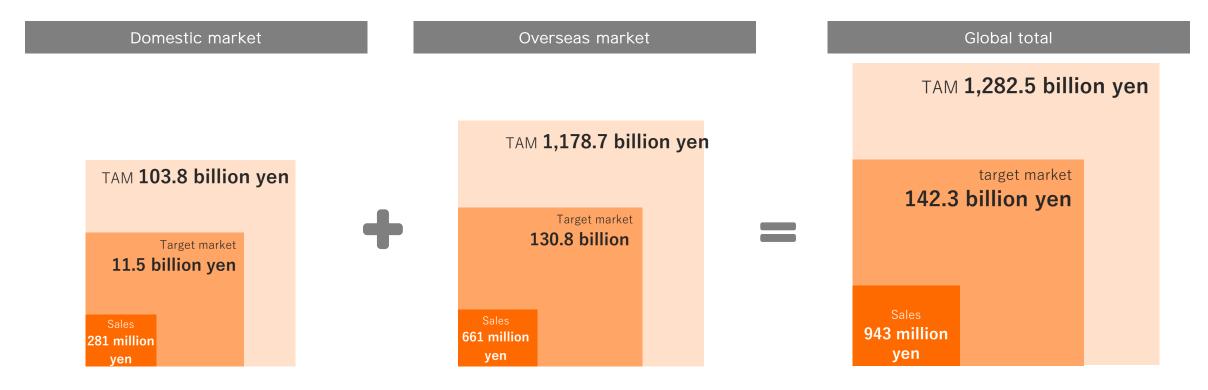


#### [Basis of Calculation]

- The amount of TAM \* in the Internet advertising market (in Japan) of 59.6 billion yen is calculated by multiplying the total of 1,529.3 billion yen by display advertising of 770.1 billion yen, video advertising of 686 billion yen, and pay-for-performance advertising of 73.2 billion yen out of 2,687 billion yen in Internet advertising media expenditure in 2023, according to the research report "Advertising Expenditure in Japan in 2023" published by Dentsu Inc., by the ratio of 78.9% of smartphone ownership in the "White Paper on Information and Communications in 2019" published by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (Part II, Chapter 1, Section 11), and by the 3.9% ratio of 5.0% of "BtoC-EC Market Size in the Digital Sector > (5) Others" in 2023, according to the research report "Market Research Report on Electronic Commerce 2023" published by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. The target market amount of 6.6 billion yen was calculated by multiplying the TAM amount in the online advertising market (Japan) by the ratio of 11.1% of the active and potential users who draw digital illustrations out of the population (N=5,154) based on a questionnaire survey on illustration apps in Japan conducted via Cross Marketing, Inc. between 3/25/2022 and 3/28/2022.
- The amount of TAM in the Internet advertising market (overseas) is 510.6 billion yen, compared with the "In-app Advertising Market Report by Advertising Type, Platform, Application, and Region 2024-2032" 25,651.8 billion yen (USD 163.2billion. Converted to yen at TTB157.18 yen as of 12/31/2024) announced by the International Market Analysis Research and Consulting Group. This figure is calculated by subtracting 59.6 billion yen, which is calculated by multiplying the ratio of the aforementioned 3 media expenses to "Internet advertising media expenses" in 2023 by 57.0% and the result of the multiplication by 3.9%. The target market amount of 56.7 billion yen is calculated by multiplying the ratio of 11.1% of the active and potential users who draw digital illustrations by the TAM amount in the online advertising market (overseas).



### The Market Size of Paint Apps x App Payments Market Is Large



#### [Calculation Basis]

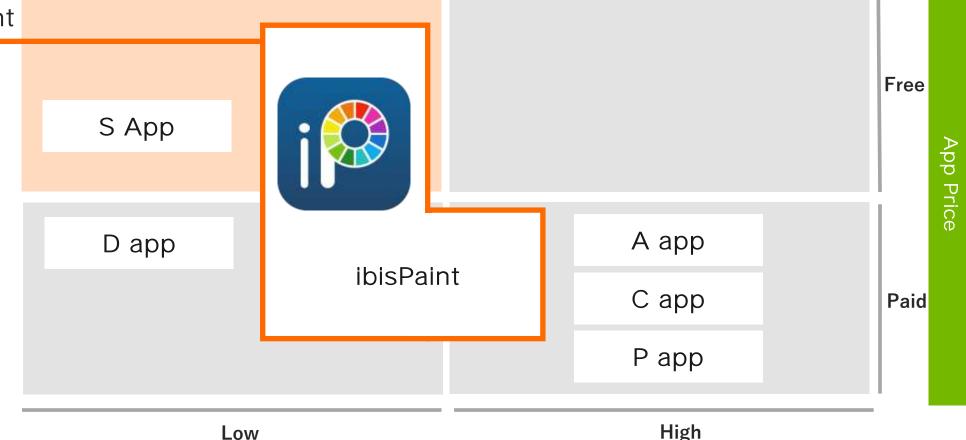
- The amount of TAM in the application sales market (Japan) of 103.8 billion yen is calculated by multiplying the "BtoC-EC market size in the digital field > (5) Others" of 131.6 billion yen in 2023 according to the research report "Electronic Commerce Market Research Report 2023" published by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, and the smartphone ownership ratio of 78.9% according to the "White Paper on Information and Communications 2019 (Part II, Chapter 1, Section 11)" published by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications. The amount of 11.5 billion yen in the target market is calculated by multiplying the ratio of 11.1% of the active and potential users who draw digital illustrations on the previous page by the amount of TAM in the application sales market (Japan).
- The amount of 178.7 billion yen in the application sales market (overseas) is calculated by subtracting the amount of TAM in Japan of 103.8 billion yen from the "In-app Advertising Market Report by Advertising Type, Platform, Application, and Region 2024-2032" of 25,651.8 billion yen (USD 163.2billion. The conversion method to yen is the same as the previous page.) published by the International Market Analysis Research and Consulting Group, which is calculated by multiplying the ratio of 5.0% of the BtoC-EC market size in the digital field > (5) Others on the previous page by the amount of 1,282.6 billion yen in 2023. The amount of 130.8 billion yen in the target market is calculated by multiplying the ratio of 11.1% of the active and potential users who draw digital illustrations on the previous page by the amount of TAM in the application sales market (overseas).



Almost Done Cultivating Users Who Want to Start Drawing Casually With a Free App

#### Superiority of ibisPaint

- Cultivating and capturing users who want to start drawing casually with a free app
- Since we earn money from app advertising, we can offer highly functional apps for free
- Since customer satisfaction is high, there are many app downloads through word-ofmouth and other natural flows, and the MAU is high
- In addition to the free version, there is also a paid version (subscriptions, one-time purchase type) that offers functions and services that can be used professionally.





Ratio of professional illustrators to users

## Mobile-Native Approach, Excellent Talent, and Commitment to Spped: A Triad Driving Differentiation in Management, Development, and Service Operatins

#### Mobile optimization



Prepared for mobile screens Simple and easy-to-use UI

Highly user-friendly UX

High app performance, including GPU utilization and device-specific memory management

Superior UI/UX and performance Create competitive advantage over other apps

#### Excellent engineers



Logical Thinking Skills to Research, Research, and Implement Image Processing Technology and Scientific Literacy

> Highly specialized Many science graduates

Study sessions are held at least once a month to learn cutting-edge technologies and make presentations by individuals

Building a Human Resource Base to Support Growth

#### Focus on speed



Speed of understanding user needs and reflecting them into products

Speed of running high-performance apps

Focuses on social functions
Speed at which works and word of
mouth spread

Speedy response Improve user satisfaction

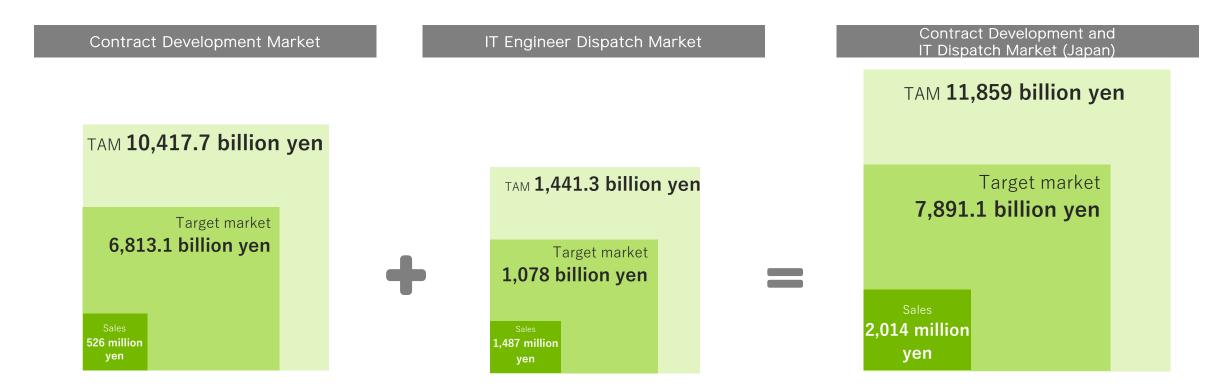


<sup>\*</sup>GPU stands for "Graphics Processing Unit" and is a semiconductor chip (processor) that performs the computational processing required for image processing and other operations.

<sup>\*</sup>UI stands for "User Interface" and is the interface between a user and a mobile app.

<sup>\*</sup>UX stands for "User Experience" and is the experience a user gets through a mobile app.

#### The Market Size of the Contract Development and IT Engineer Dispatch Market is Large



#### [Basis of calculation]

- The value of TAM in the contract development market of 10,417.7 billion yen is extracted from the value of "Software orders received" in 2023 in the "Statistical Survey of Specified Service Industries" released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. The target market amount of 6,813.1 billion yen is calculated by multiplying the TAM amount by the ratio of 65.4%, which is calculated by dividing the total annual sales (Tokyo 4,758.5 billion yen, Aichi 624.5 billion yen, Osaka 1,000.4 billion yen) of "order-received software development" in the prefectures where our company offices are located in the "2018 Survey of Actual Conditions of Specified Service Industries (the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)" announced by the Ministry of Economy. Trade and Industry, 6,383.4 billion by the annual sales of "order-received software development" of 9,766.1 billion yen.
- The amount of TAM in the IT Engineer Dispatch market of 1,441.3 billion yen is calculated by summing the average dispatch fee of 32,871 yen per day for information processing and communications engineers as × 20 days × 12 months in the "Summary of the FY 2022 Worker Dispatching Business Report (Preliminary Report)" announced by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare and the number of dispatched information processing and communications engineers as of June 1, 2023 in the "Status of the Worker Dispatching Business" section of 182,701. The amount of TAM in the target market of 1,078 billion yen is calculated by multiplying the TAM amount by the ratio of 74.8%, which is calculated by dividing the total annual sales (South Kanto 3,897.9 billion yen, Tokai 1,284.6 billion yen, Kinki 1,370.9 billion yen in the prefectures in which our company's offices are located in the former document by the total sales of 8,764.6 billion yen related to the worker dispatch business.



# 4) Growth Strategy



#### Overview of Growth Strategy (Medium- to Long-Term Sales Growth Image)

Current Growth Driver Is Subscriptions, and in Two Years We Will Grow to the Point Where Chasing Exceeds Advertising I Singing (millions of ven) Voice Al Singing Voice Synthesis Business Sales 14.000 **Synthesis Growth Boost Business** ■ Mobile Business Sales(App-based ibisPaint x Voisona Creating New Added Value Monetization, etc.) (Other M&A) Mobile 12,000 ■ Mobile Business Sales(App Advertising) Business Solution Business Sales Company-wide Sales CAGR of 10% or more **Expansion of Sales Base** 10,000 (Excluding sales expansion through M & A including Monetization measures based on number of active users new business) Through improving profit margins Mobile Aiming to grow operating income above sales Business 8,000 **Expansion of Customer Base** Maximize worldwide downloads 6,000 Solutions **Business** 2.1 billion **Expansion of Sales** 4,000 Development of Enterprise Companies and Promotion of Slers 2.000 FY2000/9 FY2010/9 FY2015/9 FY2005/9 FY2019/12 FY2029/12 FY2034/12



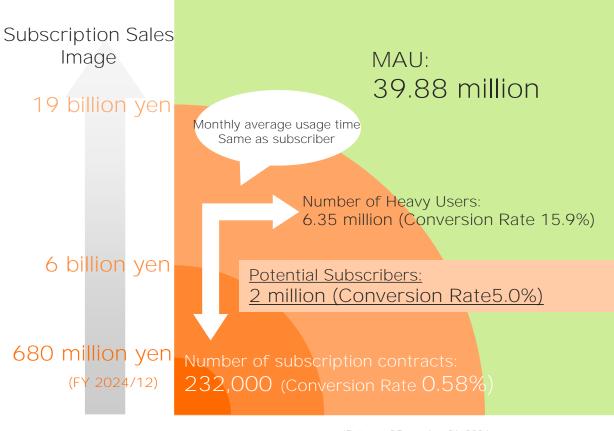
mpany-wide sales CAGR of 10% or more, App advertising sales of 1.5 billion yen and App Charsing and other sales of 2.1 billion yen in the Mobile Business. These figures are based on the growth rate npany-wide sales in the (latest) Medium-Term Management Plan for FYs 27 to 29 (Confidential at this time) and the sales plan for App advertising and App Charsing for FY 29.

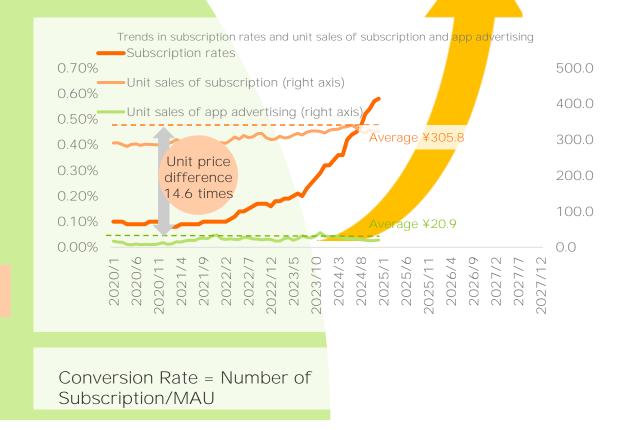
FY2019/12, the current accounting period is 3 months instead of 12 months because the closing date was changed from the end of September to the end of December. In this graph, the value is x

#### Full-Scale Subscription Enhancement

We will continue to create new functions unique to our 2 million subscribers (sales image: 6 billion yen).

We will further accelerate the increase in both sales and profits by promoting subscriptions that are 14 times or more per unit of sales free of charge through our own advertising.







The number of heavy users is defined as free advertising users whose average monthly usage time is more than that of current subscription subscribers.



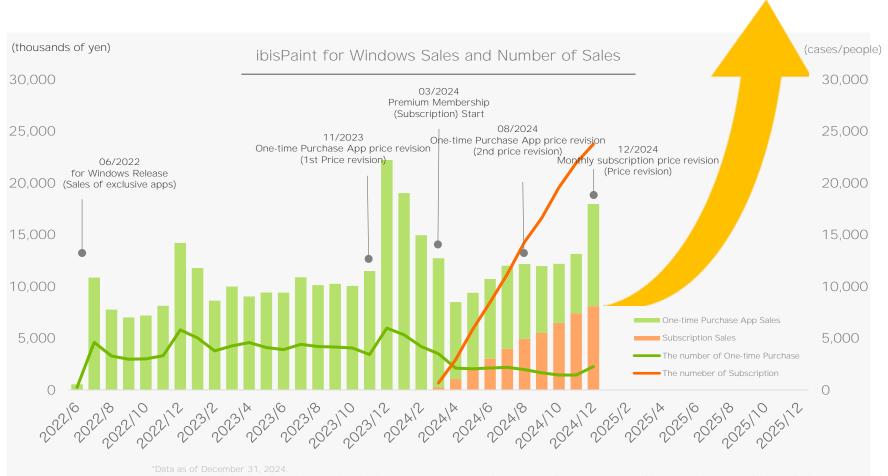
he number of reserve subscribers is defined as free advertising users whose Charsing rate is 5% (industry average 3~10%).

The progress of "Continue subscription enhancement" on page 56 of the previous disclosure document (dated November 8, 2024) is described on pages 5, 7, 10, and 14 of this document. The number of subscription contracts, which is a business KPI based on this strategy, reached 232,000, falling short of the revised plan of 245,600.

### Development of Pro Market: Full-Scale Strengthening

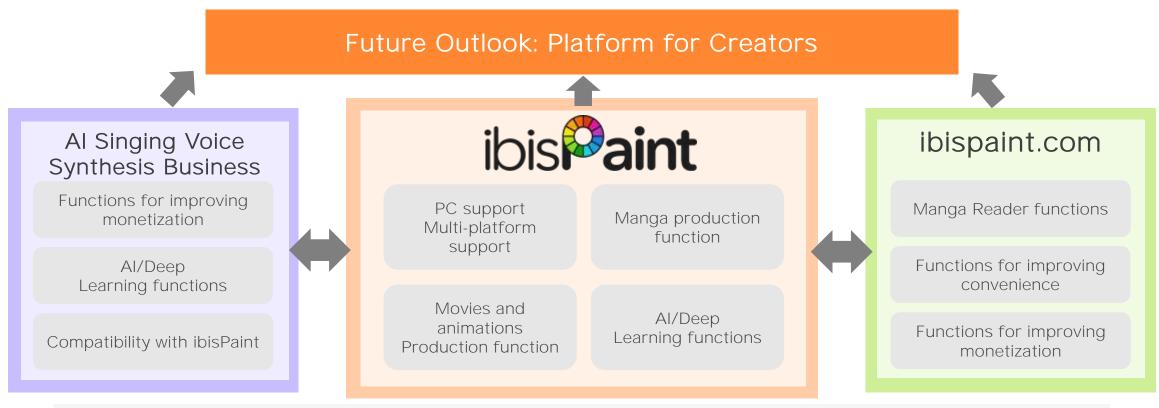
Expecting full-scale professional use, the long-awaited <u>ibisPaint for Mac</u> will be released <u>within 1 year</u>.

Establish the ibisPaint brand for all devices to 2 million subscribers





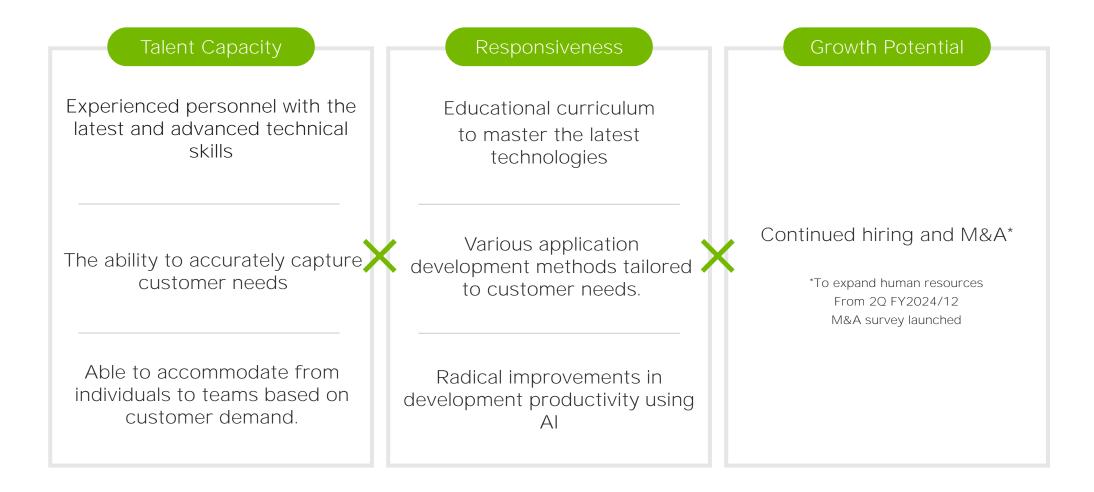
## Full-scale Strengthening of High-Performance Development



- ✓ It is necessary to continue to provide users with cutting-edge and advanced functions and services such as AI and deep learning over the medium to long term.
- ✓ Therefore, the investment in development personnel (total labor cost of mobile app development engineers plus hiring cost) is equal to the amount (number of engineers) and
  - FY2025/12 is planned as YoY+26.9% to increase both quality (capability and experience)
- ✓ Techno-Speech, Inc., which has the world's most advanced AI singing voice synthesis technology, becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary on January 31, 2025
- ✓ We will continue to increase the total amount of development capabilities that are the source of growth over the medium to long term



## Continue Building an SI System While Strengthening Orders for Profitable Projects





## Promoting the Fusion of Illustration and Music to Create a New Culture

In addition to ibis' mobile development technology, global marketing, and business planning capabilities, as a product, the following high synergy effects are expected to boost the Group's growth in the medium to long term

Before the M&A After the M&A



PC software for early adopters mainly in Japan interested in cutting-edge Al voice synthesis technology

Corporate value: 510 million yen





## Key Risks Recognized and Mitigation Strategies

Major risks	Category	Summary	Occurrence Possibility	Influence	Countermeasures
Changes in Internet Advertising Market Trends	Mobile Business	The advertising market is susceptible to market changes and fluctuations in economic trends, and in the event of rapid economic changes, etc.	High	Large	Aiming to create a sales structure that minimizes the impact of the advertising market, we will implement promotional measures to strengthen inductions to premium subscription services, which are flat-rate subscription type services.
Changes in user preferences	Mobile business	When mobile apps provided by our company fail to respond quickly to changes in user needs and trends	Medium	Large	We will continue and expand our business by striving to provide optimal apps through understanding user preferences through marketing and collecting opinions from existing users.
Changes in Mobile App Market Trends	Mobile Business	If the mobile app market shrinks sharply, contrary to our company's forecasts	Low	Large	Our company positions the solutions business as a pillar of its earnings, and will diversify its risk by expanding its business portfolio
Dependence on ibisPaint	Mobile Business	If we are unable to maintain or promote the use of ibisPaint	Medium	Large	Revitalize user usage by improving functions, adding new functions, and various promotions
Overseas expansion	Mobile business	When users' tastes and business practices differ greatly from country to country, and apps are suspended or business cannot be expanded as expected	Medium	Large	When expanding overseas, we will continue to conduct regular and thorough investigations, collect information, and implement services so that the risks mentioned in the left column do not appear.
Serious defects in products and services provided	Mobile business	When a serious problem occurs in a system due to an unexpected bug, defect, or operation error after the provision of various products or services	Medium	Large	Efforts will be made to release to production after thoroughly checking quality in accordance with the defined development process from development plan to production release
M&A and capital and business alliance	Company- wide	When the target company's business does not progress as planned and it becomes difficult to recover invested funds, or when financial or legal problems that were difficult to detect in DD are discovered	Medium	Large	We will conduct a DD including experts, and proceed with the implementation after fully considering the target company's performance, financial position, competitive advantage, synergies with our company business, and risk analysis results.
Legal Regulations	Company- wide	In the event of a breach of legal regulations related to our company, such as the Unfair Competition Prevention Law, the Worker Dispatching Law, and the Personal Information Protection Law in Japan and overseas, and business cannot be developed as expected	Medium	Large	We strive to comply with laws and regulations by collecting information on relevant laws and regulations as appropriate and conducting periodic internal audits and compliance training.



# **Appendix**



		For Mobile		For PC (Windows)				
	Free Version	Free Version Paid Version		Free Version		Paid Version		
Sales category	App Advertising	One-time Purchase App	Subscription	-	Pro Add-On (One-time Purchase)	Subscription		
Service Classification	Free App	Paid App Ad removal add-on	Premium membership Service	Free Trial Mode	Pro Add-on	Premium membership Service		
Usage Time	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Up to 1 hour per day	Unlimited	Unlimited		
Advertising	Yes	No	No	No	No	No		
Basic functions	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>		
Premium functions	Х	х	<b>√</b>	Х	*1	<b>√</b>		
Premium materials	Х	х	<b>√</b>	Х	Х	✓		
Cloud Storage	64MB	64MB	20GB	64MB	64MB	20GB		
User Cost	Free	1,500 yen to 1,600 yen (depending on the store)	Monthly 300 yen Annual 3,000 yen	Free	4,800 yen	Monthly 480 yen Annual 2,950 yen		



<sup>\*</sup>Actual pricing varies by app store and country and region. Please check the display in the app.
\*1 Only some premium features are available..

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