



**KANSAI**  
Startup Ecosystem



# Deep Tech Valley

## “KANSAI”

“Kansai” has possibilities to create new industries based on it.

OSAKA  
SAKAI  
KYOTO  
HYOGO, KOBE  
TOKUSHIMA  
SHIGA  
WAKAYAMA  
TOTTORI

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# Why "KANSAI" aims to become a DeepTech Valley

"Kansai" is home to a concentration of excellent universities, research institutes, businesses, and support organizations, and has the potential to create world-class innovations, as top level research is being conducted in a variety of fields.

In addition, with Expo '2025 Osaka-Kansai to be held in the near future, Kansai is aiming to shine in the world and lead the future of Japan as a region where human resources, products, investment, and information gather from all over the world.

Particularly in the field of "deep tech", Kansai has the advantage as universities, companies, and human resources concentrate in this region.

The technological seeds of various fields, such as biotechnology, healthcare, life sciences, manufacturing, information, AI, and robotics are refined on a daily basis. These characteristics make Kansai one of the world's leading eco cities.

These characteristics are similar to Boston in the U.S., which has formed one of the world's leading ecosystems. They also overlap with the strengths of Seattle in the U.S. and Berlin in Germany, which have produced many R&D-oriented startups.

Through the creation of startups, the Kansai region will manifest its ability to create innovation and implement it in society, thereby establishing itself as the "Boston of Asia".

01

# Initiatives up to 2024

# 02

It aims to revitalize the Kansai economy by communicating the attractiveness, potential, and future of the Kansai startup ecosystem to people in Japan and abroad, differentiating it from other areas, and establishing a brand that enables the accumulation of various resources (startups, companies, human resources, investors, venture capital, etc.) from Japan and abroad.

## Kansai's Potential for R&D Startup Creation

In Kansai, Kyoto University, Osaka University and other universities have produced many startups companies.

→569 companies in FY2020

Of the 28 Japanese who have won the Nobel Prize, 16 have come from the Kansai region.

Ex.

2012 : Shinya Yamanaka\_ The Discovery that Mature Cells Can Be Reprogrammed to Become Pluripotent.

2014 : Isamu Akasaki\_ The Invention of Efficient Blue Light-emitting Diodes which Has Enabled Bright and Energy-saving white Light Sources

2019 : Akira Yoshino\_ Development of a "lithium-ion battery" that can be recharged repeatedly

■ Number of university-launched startup companies by region

Area	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	Achievement Rate
Hokkaido/Tohoku	241	263	277	1.15
Kanto	1070	1193	1404	1.31
Chubu	142	172	181	1.27
Kinki	423	493	569	1.35
Chugoku/Shikoku	167	180	184	1.1
Kyushu/Okinawa	210	246	267	1.27

Rank	University name	Number of cases
1	The University of Tokyo	326
2	Kyoto University	227
3	Osaka University	179
4	University of Tsukuba	146
5	Tohoku University	142
6	Kyushu University	126
7	Tokyo University of Science	111
8	Nagoya University	110
9	Tokyo Institute of Technology	100
10	Waseda University	91
11	Keio University	90
12	Digital Hollywood University	88
13	Ritsumeikan University	61
14	Hokkaido University	54
15	Hiroshima University	53
16	Kyushu Institute of Technology	45
17	Ryukoku University	44
18	University of Aizu	39
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## 関西から多くのノーベル賞受賞者を輩出 (日本人受賞者28人中16人)

### ○物理学賞

名前	受賞年	出身・学歴等 / 受賞理由
中村 修二	2014年	徳島大学工学部卒、徳島大学博士課程(工学) 世界に先駆けて実用に供するレベルの高輝度青色発光ダイオードや青色半導体レーザーの製造方法を発明・開発
赤崎 勇	2014年	京都大学理学部卒 高輝度で省電力の白色光源を可能にした青色発光ダイオードの発明

### ○化学賞

名前	受賞年	出身・学歴等 / 受賞理由
田中 耕一	2002年	島津製作所(京都府)のシニアフェロー 生体高分子の同定および構造解析のための手法の開発
下村 脩	2008年	京都府福知山市出身 緑色蛍光タンパク質(GFP)の発見と生命科学への貢献
吉野 彰	2019年	京都大学工学部卒、大阪大学大学院工学研究科博士課程(工学) リチウムイオン電池の開発

### ○生理学・医学賞

名前	受賞年	出身・学歴等 / 受賞理由
山中 伸弥	2012年	神戸大学医学部卒、大阪市立大学大学院博士課程、京都大学再生医学研究所 様々な細胞に成長できる能力を持つiPS細胞の作製
本庶 佑	2018年	京都大学医学部卒、京都大学大学院医学研究科生理系博士課程 免疫抑制分子であるPD-1分子を同定し、がん治療の応用に成功

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## Our country. Challenges facing Kansai

- Aging population
- Population Decline
- Infectious Diseases (covid-19)
- Innovation creation (Decline in international competitiveness)
- Climate change
- Safe environment



# Introduction of each prefecture and city

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# Osaka

( Osaka Prefecture and Osaka City )

To globally bolster Osaka's presence as one of the two major centers of Japan, our city strives to fulfill a role in propelling the country's growth. Hence, we are committed to advance initiatives for startup support and innovation creation.

The Umekita area is home to various activity-oriented facilities and exchange facilities; and it also exhibits renowned features such as entrepreneurship education coordinated by universities, overseas acceleration programs, and other innovative developments. These all complement Osaka as one of the top urban destinations in Japan that genuinely integrates global startups.

Moreover, the Osaka-Kansai World Expo will be held in the year of 2025. The exposition under the theme "Designing Future Society for Our Lives" will also showcase the "People's Living Lab" concept to a worldwide audience. To maximize the impacts of this prestigious occurrence, we will exert our best abilities to attract "People-Goods-Investments-Technologies" from around the world.





## Population

**8.8 million**



## Economy

Osaka Prefecture's the total production reaches over 360 billion USD, which surpasses Hong Kong, Israel and Singapore in terms of economic scale.



## University

There are 55 universities. Some of them have produced a lot of tech startups. Osaka University, Osaka Metropolitan University, Osaka Institute of Technology, Kindai University, Kansai University, etc.



## Support

Osaka Innovation Hub (OIH)  
(Startup Ecosystem, International Division,  
Osaka Business Development Agency)



## Access

65 minutes by JR Line super-express HARUKA  
(directly link to Shin-Osaka Station).  
60 minutes by Limousine bus  
(directly link to Shin-Osaka Station).

## Main Support



**OSAKA  
STARTUPECOSYSTEM**

In Osaka, industry, universities and government aim to build an ecosystem that continuously creates and develops tech startups that are active globally, mainly in the fields of life science, manufacturing, IT, etc. Working together as one, Team Osaka is striving to establish a world-class startup ecosystem.



**OSAKA INNOVATION HUB**

Osaka Innovation Hub (OIH) was established at Knowledge Capital, Grand Front Osaka in Umekita area to create a virtuous cycle of innovation by attracting human resources, information, and funds from Japan and abroad. OIH organizes international conferences, human resource exchange, project creation support, and industry-university collaboration to promote university participation.



The Osaka Business Development Agency(OBDA)is implementing various start-up support measures for Osaka Prefecture and Osaka City collectively including programs at various stages from seed to early stage and later stage.

## Startups



**Ai-BrainScience**

**Ai-BrainScience Inc.**

Field : Healthtech

<https://www.ai-brainscience.co.jp/en>



**C4U**

**C4U Corporation**

Field : Biotechnology

<https://www.crispr4u.jp/en/>



**Microwave Chemical**

**Microwave  
Chemical Co., Ltd.**

Field : Greentech

<https://mwcc.jp/en/>



**Remohab**

**Remohab Inc.**

Field : medical equipment,  
remote rehabilitation

<https://www.remohab.com/>



**Luxna  
Biotech**

**Luxna Biotech Co., Ltd.**

Field : Bio(Pharmaceutical)

<https://luxnabiotech.co.jp/>



Sakai is an ordinance-designated city with a population of about 820,000, located in the center of the Kansai area, which is a huge market with a population of 20 million, with good access to overseas, major cities in Japan. In ancient times, the Nintoku-tennō-ryō kofun (a World Cultural Heritage) was built, and in the Middle Ages, Sakai became a hub for overseas trade and developed as a city with a spirit of liberty and self-governance. In the modern era, Sakai was touted that "everything was made in Sakai" by continuing to try new things, creating innovation, and developing industry. Currently, Sakai is aiming to become an innovative city that makes the future. In particular, it has designated the Nakamozu area as an "area where universities, industrial support institutions, and start-up companies are clustered to create interaction" and is working to create innovation.

# Sakai



## Population

**0.82 million**



## Economy

Nominal GDP about 34 billion USD.



## University

Osaka Metropolitan University, Kansai University, Tezukayama Gakuin University, HAGOROMO University of International Studies, etc.



## Support

Industrial Promotion Bureau, Commerce, Industry and Labor Department, Manufacturing Support Division  
TEL:072-228-7534 Email:monoshi@city.sakai.lg.jp



## Access

About 30 min by train from Kansai International Airport

## Main Support



**Sakai City Startup Demonstration Project**  
In implementing the demonstration of new business ideas, we will provide the demonstration field and necessary financial assistance.



**Sakai City Startup Procurement Certification System**  
We support the development of sales channels by improving reliability, with a system that allows Sakai City to approve the innovative products, and purchase it by No-bit contract.



**S-Cube (Sakai New Business Creation Center)**  
S-Cube is a facility that supports startup businesses, and startups it accommodates can receive management advice from the incubation manager and subsidies for rent from Sakai City.

## Startups



**ADAPT**

Manufacture and sale of prosthetics and orthotics



**Malignant Tumor Treatment Technologies, Inc.**

Manufacture and sale of pharmaceutical products



**Care Business Support System Co., Ltd.**

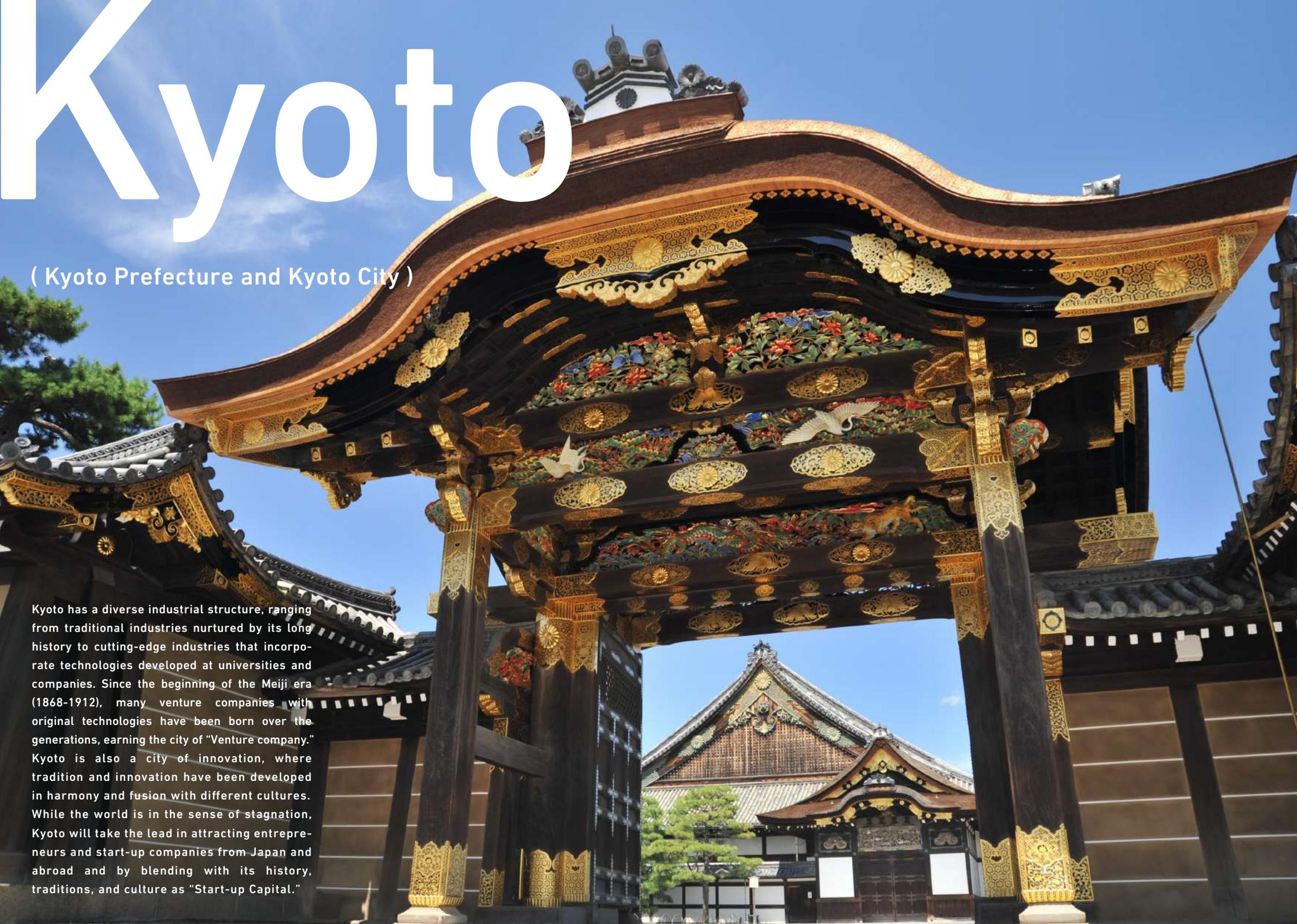
Cloud service business for welfare equipment rental business



**Rehabilitation3.0 Co., Ltd.**

Research and development of preventive medical system

# Kyoto



( Kyoto Prefecture and Kyoto City )

Kyoto has a diverse industrial structure, ranging from traditional industries nurtured by its long history to cutting-edge industries that incorporate technologies developed at universities and companies. Since the beginning of the Meiji era (1868-1912), many venture companies with original technologies have been born over the generations, earning the city of "Venture company." Kyoto is also a city of innovation, where tradition and innovation have been developed in harmony and fusion with different cultures. While the world is in the sense of stagnation, Kyoto will take the lead in attracting entrepreneurs and start-up companies from Japan and abroad and by blending with its history, traditions, and culture as "Start-up Capital."

# Kyoto

( Kyoto Prefecture and Kyoto City )

Cities 03



## Population

2.6 million



## Economy

Nominal GDP about 90 billion USD. Major companies are KYOCERA Corporation, SHIMADZU Corporation, SCREEN Holdings Co., Ltd, etc.



## University

34 universities. For example, Kyoto University, Kyoto Institute of Technology, etc.



## Support

Kyoto Startup Ecosystem Promotion Council (Kyoto Prefecture, Kyoto City, Kyoto wisdom industry creation center)



## Access

Kansai International Airport  
1.5 hours by JR Line super-express HARUKA (directly link to Kyoto station). 1.5 hours by Limousine bus (directly link to Kyoto station).

## Main Support



If you are a talented entrepreneur looking to grow a high impact startup in KYOTO, this is your chance to get a Startup Visa in Kyoto. Under this system, foreign nationals who wish to start a business in Kyoto Prefecture can stay in Japan for the purpose of preparing to start a business.



HVC KYOTO is providing a key component of business planning for domestic and global healthcare startups, "Global Market Insight". To let startups obtain "real voices" from the global market, HVC KYOTO made alliances with global healthcare companies, professional advisors, mentors, and trainers in the translational research and business planning. Our uniqueness and strength are providing training and an opportunity to pitch in "English" in front of "Global Companies".



KGAP+ is a startup support program that attracts promising startups from Japan and abroad with the goal of conducting PoC and pilot tests in collaboration with large Japanese enterprises as well as overseas expansion.

## Startups



Kyoto Fusioneering Ltd.

Established in 2019. With access to world-class facilities and expertise, will design, develop and build fusion technology.



ENISHIA Inc.

Established in 2017. Development and sales of medical language processing AI software aimed at reducing the workload of doctors and reforming work styles.



Metro Weather Co., Ltd.

Established in 2015. Using in-house technologies to accurately understand, visualize and control urban areas and wind conditions.



Regional Fish Institute, Ltd.

Established in 2019. Aside from the high-speed breeding, also aim to transform the land aquaculture into a productive and sustainable model.

Hyogo Kobe has been working on various cutting-edge initiatives to become an innovative city who transcend the boundaries of local government. For instance, we have carried out initiatives, such as to accelerate the business growth of startups in Japan and overseas, to collaborate between the governmental sector and startups to solve administrative issues, and financial support by Investment fund. In addition, UNOPS S3i Innovation Center, which aims to solve the SDG's issues with innovative technologies, was launched and is expected to be a gateway to the global market of SDGs issues.

( Hyogo Prefecture and Kobe City )

# Hyogo Kobe



# Hyogo Kobe

( Hyogo Prefecture and Kobe City )

Cities 03



## Population

5.4 million



## Economy

180 billion USD.



## University

36 universities. For example, Kobe University, Kwansei Gakuin University, etc.



## Support

Hyogo Kobe Startup Ecosystem Consortium  
new\_industry@office.city.kobe.lg.jp



## Access

By Air: Tokyo(Haneda) ⇄ Kobe about 1 hour,  
By Shinkansen: Tokyo ⇄ Shin-kobe about 2 hours half.

## Main Support



### Hyogo Kobe Startup Fund

In 2021, Hyogo Prefecture, Kobe City and private companies collaborated to establish a fund to invest in startups that are expected to grow dramatically.



### SDGs Challenge

A program that supports startups aiming to solve global SDGs issues in collaboration with Hyogo Prefecture, Kobe City and the United Nations Office for Project Services UNOPS.



### Startup Support : Startup Visa & Subsidy

Hyogo/Kobe is one of fewer than 10 areas in Japan where you can get a Startup Visa. We have subsidy for startups; with a maximum of 13 million yen for office rent, labor costs, etc.

## Startups



NATIAS Inc.  
Field : Life science



T-ICU Co., Ltd.  
Field : Telemedicine ICU



ACALL Inc.  
Field : IT/Digital transformation



Sagri Co., Ltd  
Field : Agriculture

# Tokushima

A large white suspension bridge spans across a body of water. The water in the foreground is turbulent, showing white rapids. The bridge has a complex steel truss structure. In the background, there are green hills and a few buildings under a clear blue sky.

Located on the eastern part of Shikoku, Tokushima Prefecture is rich in nature and has a warm climate. It's easy to access as it takes approximately 2 hours and 30 minutes by car from Osaka. At Tokushima University they are conducting research and development about "next generation light", which is expected to be a new industry of light, as well as working on how to tackle diabetes. Additionally, the entire prefecture has a fiber-optic broadband network. The number of satellite offices is increasing, and they are top class in Japan.

# Tokushima

Cities 03



## Population

Approximately **710,000**



## Economy

Nominal GDP of about 3 trillion yen



## University

Tokushima University, Tokushima Bunri University, Shikoku University



## Support

Futuristic Industrial Division, Commerce, Industry, Labor and Tourism Department, Tokushima Prefectural Government



## Access

By Air 【Tokyo⇄Tokushima】 1 hour 10 min.  
By Highway Bus 【Osaka⇄Tokushima】 2 hours 30 min.  
【Kansai International Airport⇄Tokushima】 2 hours 45 min.

## Main Support

### Heisei Chokyukan "Special Cram School"

We hold regular growth entrepreneur training courses (TIB monthly meetings) and invite young entrepreneurs from the EO—Entrepreneurs Organization as instructors to learn about entrepreneurship training, business growth know-how, and how to introduce cutting-edge technology.

### Tokushima SOHO Support project

We rent small office spaces at a low rent to motivated company founders in the prefecture, such as those who collaborate with universities and public testing and research institutes in the prefecture, and those who carry out businesses that utilize LEDs or digital contents.

### Project to promote commercialization of venture companies, etc.

Companies, etc. that are conducting joint research with higher education institutions in the prefecture are provided with subsidies according to the number of new local employees for the expenses required for the new expansion of venture factories (business establishments).

## Startups



GRYLLUS

**Gryllus**  
/Established in 2019.  
Production of edible crickets.  
Manufacturing and sales of food ingredients and processed foods that use edible crickets. Development and sales of edible cricket breeding management services.



**ER Stress Research Institute**  
/Established in 2017. Based on technology of Tokushima University, conducts research and development/manufacturing of therapeutic drugs for diseases associated with ER stress.



**Smart Laser & Plasma Systems**  
/Established in 2017.  
Measurement-related research work using advanced laser and plasma technology. Conducts design, manufacturing and sales of measurement-related equipment using advanced laser and plasma technology.

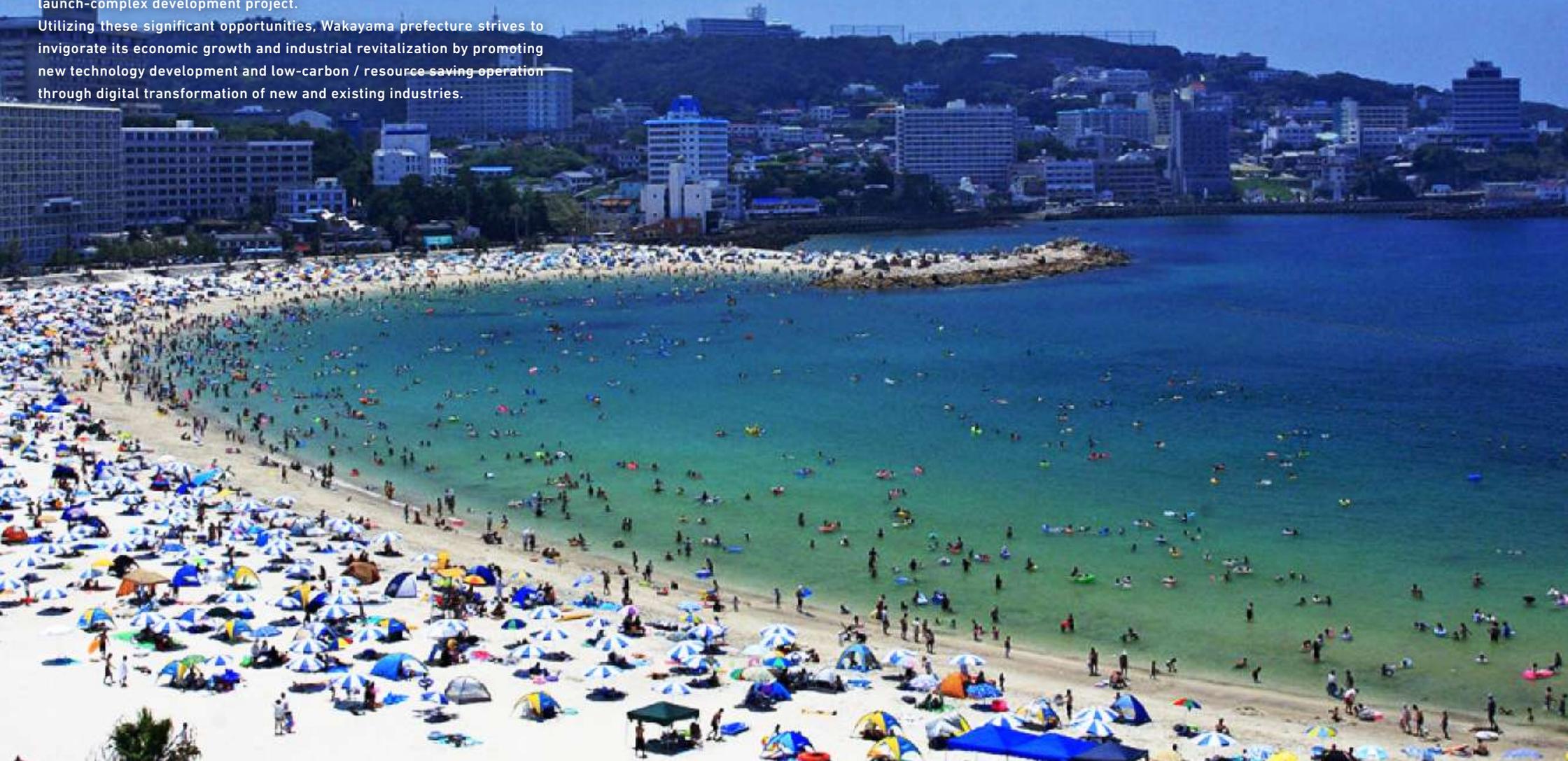


**Setsuro Tech**  
/Established in 2017.  
Conducts contract business, research and development, and product sales by genome editing, as well as various services related to genome editing.

# Wakayama

Along with the development of pivotal transport infrastructure such as highways, Wakayama prefecture has been devoted to attracting cutting-edge new industries such as ICT businesses and a rocket launch-complex development project.

Utilizing these significant opportunities, Wakayama prefecture strives to invigorate its economic growth and industrial revitalization by promoting new technology development and low-carbon / resource-saving operation through digital transformation of new and existing industries.



# Wakayama



## Population

**0.91 million**



## Economy

Nominal GDP about 32 billion USD.



## University

Wakayama University,  
Wakayama Medical University



## Support

Industry and Technology Policy Division



## Access

About 1 hour by train from Kansai International Airport

## Main Support

### Matching event with startup creation support team

We will hold a pitch event for those who are aiming to start a business or a second business in Wakayama Prefecture, or those who are trying to start a new business utilizing the local resources of Wakayama Prefecture. For those who participated in the pitch event, a "startup creation support team" consisting of investment companies, large companies, financial institutions, etc. will support the development of the business.

### Wakayama Prefecture Startup Attraction System

We will issue incentives and subsidies to startups that rent or build offices and factories in Wakayama Prefecture.

## Startups



**AiSTI SCIENCE Co., Ltd.**  
Field : Chemical analysis



**Power Assist International Corporation.**  
Field : Robotics



**glafit inc.**  
Field : Mobility

# Shiga

Shiga Prefecture is located in the center of Japan, and in the center is Lake Biwa, the largest lake in Japan that occupies about one-sixth of the prefecture's area (about 4,017 square kilometers). There are many research institutes in the prefecture, and the bases of global companies are concentrated. In cooperation with these organizations, we will build an ecosystem related to the discovery and development of ventures that contribute to the creation of industry and the second founding ventures.





## Population

1.42 million



## Economy

Nominal GDP about 60 billion USD.  
The manufacturing industry accounts for 44.6% of the prefecture's gross domestic product, ranking first in the country. Mother factories and R&D bases of many companies are concentrated.



## University

A collection of 14 universities with various specialties. The number of students per 100,000 population is the 7th largest in Japan.



## Support

Shiga Prefectural Government Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Tourism and Labor  
Small and medium enterprise support division  
fb00@pref.shiga.lg.jp



## Access

1.5 hours by JR Line super-express HARUKA (directly link to Otsu station).

## Main Support

<p><b>SHIGA TECH PLANTER</b></p>	<p>A founding support program that trains researchers, engineers, and entrepreneurs who are trying to change the world from Shiga. A consortium consisting of prefectures, local private companies, financial institutions, universities, etc. will consider the path necessary for commercialization and provide various types of support.</p>
<p><b>Shiga Prefecture entrepreneurship support project</b></p>	<p>We will provide financial support for entrepreneurship that will lead to the resolution of social and regional issues, and will enhance Shiga's entrepreneurial system by supporting and collaborating with support organizations.</p>
<p><b>Ritsumeikan University BKC Incubator</b></p>	<p>It is a facility that utilizes the intellectual property of universities and other institutions to strengthen industry-academia-government collaboration, advance the technology of regional industries, and create and nurture new industries.</p>

## Startups

 <p><b>Novelgen Co.,Ltd.</b> Field: Bio Established in 2019. Environmental improvement projects and product development based on genetic engineering x microbial microalgae science x information biology.</p>	 <p><b>EVCARE Corp.</b> Field: Healthcare Established in 2019. Creating a mechanism to maintain and improve the health of "body" and "heart".</p>	 <p><b>Man-Machine Synergy Effectors, Inc.</b> Field: Robotics Established in 2015. Intellectual property utilization service based on advanced robotics technology.</p>	 <p><b>tiwaki Co., Ltd</b> Field: AI Established in 2016. Development of AI core technology such as machine learning and image recognition.</p>	 <p><b>Sunlit Seedlings Ltd.</b> Field: Bio Established in 2020. Implementation technology for natural ecosystems and agricultural and forestry ecosystems that take advantage of biodiversity.</p>
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# Tottori





## Population

**0.55 million**



## Economy

Nominal GDP about 9.5 billion USD.



## University

Tottori University,  
Tottori University of Environmental Studies



## Support

Tottori Prefecture, Industry and Labor Department,  
Industrial Future Creation Division  
1-220 Higashimachi, Tottori City,  
Tottori Prefecture 680-8570  
Phone: 0857-26-7690  
Email: sangyoumirai@pref.tottori.lg.jp



## Access

2 hours 20 min by JR Line limited express  
Super HAKUTO from Osaka.

## Main Support

### TOTTORI BIO FRONTIER

とっとりバイオフロンティア

Tottori Bio Frontier (TBF) is an industry-government-academia research promotion facility established for the purpose of revitalizing the bio industry in Tottori Prefecture. Located on the premises of the Yonago Campus of Tottori University School of Medicine, it has a laboratory where genetic recombination experiments and animal experiments are possible, and an incubation office for companies.

### Tottori Prefecture Biotechnology / Drug Discovery Innovation support subsidy

We have a certified business operator that conducts research that contributes to the development of pharmaceutical products (including products for animals and regenerative medicine; the same shall apply hereinafter) utilizing chromosome engineering technology from Tottori University, and an office in the prefecture. It is issued for the purpose of creating and promoting the bio-industry of this prefecture by promoting the activities of businesses that develop pharmaceutical products.

## Startups



Trans Chromosomics, Inc.  
Field: Bio



chromocenter Inc.  
Field: Bio



GPC laboratory  
Genome Program and Control

GPC laboratory CO. LTD.  
Field: Bio

# List of Contact Points

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Cities	Contact	Phone	Web Site
Osaka Prefecture	Commerce and Service Industry Division Department of Commerce, industry and Labor	+81 6-6210-9493	<a href="https://www.innovation-osaka.jp/ja/">https://www.innovation-osaka.jp/ja/</a>
Osaka City	Innovation Division, Economic Strategy Bureau	+81 6-6615-3016	
Sakai	Industrial Promotion Bureau, Commerce, Industry and Labor Department, Manufacturing Support Division	+81 72-228-7534	<a href="https://www.city.sakai.lg.jp/sangyo/shienyuushi/chusho/index.html">https://www.city.sakai.lg.jp/sangyo/shienyuushi/chusho/index.html</a>
Kyoto Prefecture	Department of Commerce, Labor and Tourism Product Development Promotion Division	+81 75-414-5103	<a href="https://kyotostartup.jp/">https://kyotostartup.jp/</a>
Kyoto City	Industry and Tourism Bureau Industrial Innovation Promotion Office	+81 75-222-3339	
Hyogo	Business Promotion Division Industrial Promotion Bureau Industry, Employment & International Affairs Department	+81 78-362-4156	<a href="https://web.pref.hyogo.lg.jp/org/shinsangyo/index.html">https://web.pref.hyogo.lg.jp/org/shinsangyo/index.html</a>
Kobe	New Business Promotion Division, Kobe City Government	+81 78-322-0240	Japanese <a href="https://www.city.kobe.lg.jp/a14333/business/sangyoshinko/shokogyo/venture/newindustry/index.html">https://www.city.kobe.lg.jp/a14333/business/sangyoshinko/shokogyo/venture/newindustry/index.html</a> English <a href="https://kobestartup.com/">https://kobestartup.com/</a>
Tokushima	Futuristic Industrial Division, Commerce, Industry, Labor and Tourism Department.	+81 88-621-2325	<a href="https://www.ourthink.or.jp/?mode=category&amp;cid=5">https://www.ourthink.or.jp/?mode=category&amp;cid=5</a>
Wakayama	Industry and Technology Policy Division	+81 73-441-2355	<a href="https://www.pref.wakayama.lg.jp/prefg/063100/index.html">https://www.pref.wakayama.lg.jp/prefg/063100/index.html</a>
Shiga	Shiga Prefectural Government Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Tourism and Labor Small and medium enterprise support division	+81 77-528-3733	<a href="https://www.pref.shiga.lg.jp/">https://www.pref.shiga.lg.jp/</a>
Tottori	Industry and Labor Department, Industrial Future Creation Division	+81 857-26-7690	<a href="https://www.pref.tottori.lg.jp/sangyoumirai/">https://www.pref.tottori.lg.jp/sangyoumirai/</a>

# Kansai people have a very friendly prefectural character.

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First of all, thank you for reading this booklet.

Given that the Kansai region has historically produced many entrepreneurs who established strong companies such as Panasonic and Nintendo, we believe that the region has the potential to produce and raise the next generation entrepreneurs in modern society.

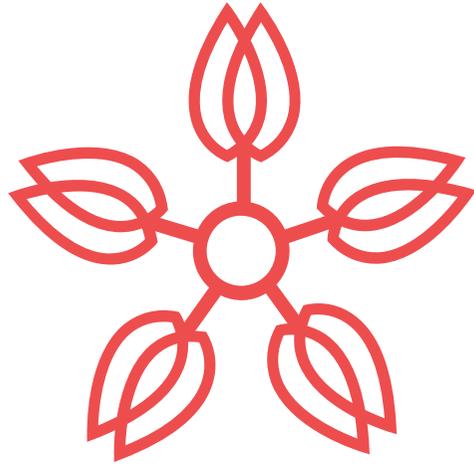
In recent years especially, business enterprises, local governments, universities, etc. have taken a growing interest in nurturing startup companies, thereby intensifying support activities for startup companies.

To enable the Kansai region to achieve further growth, it is crucial to break the status quo to revitalize Kansai's startup ecosystem.

Please take this opportunity to use the updated Kansai startup ecosystem .

**Let's grow together!**





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