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## ISI Global Inc. has taken over Japanese language school education business from TIJ Tokyo Institute of Japanese Inc.

Nippon Sangyo Suishin Kiko ("NSSK"; <a href="www.nsskjapan.com">www.nsskjapan.com</a>) is pleased to announce that ISI Global Inc. ("ISI" or "ISI Group"; <a href="www.isi-global.com">www.isi-global.com</a>), in which investment partnerships managed or provided with services by NSSK affiliates have a stake, has taken over Japanese language school education business from TIJ Tokyo Institute of Japanese Inc. ("TIJ"; <a href="www.tij.ne.ip/">www.tij.ne.ip/</a>).

Building on the business foundation that TIJ's Japanese language school education business has established, NSSK will provide its unique NSSK Value-up Program ("NVP"), its business expertise, and domestic and international networks, working with the current management team so that TIJ's Japanese language school business can achieve even more robust growth in its next stage of development. NSSK and ISI will support the planning and implementation of business improvement measures such as establishing KPIs, strengthening governance and compliance systems, enhancing marketing strategies, strengthening internal control systems, disseminating corporate philosophy, and promoting ESG activities.

NSSK's mission is to build a leading alternative asset investment business in Japan by investing in attractive Japanese companies in partnership with management and contribute to the Environment, Society and Governance of Japan and beyond. NSSK's investment strategy is to seek to generate superior outcomes by applying global investment discipline, operating expertise and human capital to Japanese companies originating from our proprietary and differentiated sourcing network.

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Investor name:	Nippon Sangyo Suishin Kiko ( <u>www.nsskjapan.com</u> )
Founded:	December 2014
Headquarters:	Atago Green Hills MORI Tower 17F 2-5-1 Atago, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan
Representative:	Jun Tsusaka
Overview:	NSSK is an independent Japanese alternative investment management company with a focus on Japan. NSSK pursues superior outcomes by applying global investment discipline, operating expertise and human capital to attractive Japanese companies and contributing to the Environment, Society and Governance of Japan and beyond.

Company name:	ISI Global Inc. (www.isi-global.com)
Founded:	January 2006
Headquarters:	9F Sunshine 60, 3-1-1 Higashi-Ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, Tokyo
Overview:	ISI Group originated from the Shinano Gakuin cram school, which opened in Ueda City, Nagano Prefecture in 1977. In 1992, ISI Group started the Japanese language school Nagano Foreign Language Academy. ISI Group now operates Japanese language education, vocational, university management and study abroad-related service businesses. The Japanese language school business has a capacity of over 4,000 students, making it one of the largest Japanese language schools in Japan and a leading player in the language education industry with over 30 years of business experience.

Company name:	TIJ Tokyo Institute of Japanese Inc. (www.tij.ne.jp/)
Founded:	October 1991
Headquarters:	I-17-10 Shinkoiwa, Katsushika-ku, Tokyo
Overview:	TIJ has been operating its Japanese language education business since its establishment more than 30 years ago, including Japanese language education for foreign residents, Japanese language education for international students, Japanese language education for foreigners working for Japanese companies, training of Japanese language teachers, and development of Japanese language teaching materials, with the goal of "contributing to the international community by helping students to become valuable members of society".