世界最大級のテックイベントLEAPからみるグローバルビジネストレンドやAIの最前線

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本日のアジェンダ

- 1. 自己紹介(2分)
- 2. Introduction-世の中で起きている構造的な変化(13分)
- 3. サウジアラビアのテックイベントから見るAIやデジタル化の各国の取り組み(13分)
- 4. 私のサウジアラビアでの失敗談からみる私たちが生成AIとどう向き合うか(12分)
- 5. まとめ (5分)



会社概要 / 代表者プロフィール

【会社概要】 IDEAPOST株式会社は、社会課題の解決をビジネスを通して解決する事を目的に、新規ビジネスの企画や、各種アイデアの

実現に向け伴走型支援を行う。

【設立】 【資本金】300万円 【役員数】4名 2016年4月

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【代表者 略歷】

立命館アジア太平洋大学(APU)、九州大学大学院経済学府産業マネジメント専攻(QBS)卒。 2016年2月に退職。同年5月にIDEAPOST株式会社設立後、地域活性化や海外スタートアップ支援 等を中心に活動。2019年2月より世界経済フォーラム第四次産業革命日本センターにてG20 Global Smart Cities Allianceの立ち上げに従事。2023年6月同法人の解消に伴い、7月よりIDEAPOST 株式会社代表に復帰し、スタートアップ支援やオープンイノベーション実現に向けた業務を再開。

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これまでの活動実績など(直近3年程度を掲載)

【執筆/掲載】

- ・2020年2月:公益財団法人都市計画協会発行の新都市(令和2年2月号)にて、土屋俊博氏と共著で「G20 Global Smart Cities Allianceの取り組みについて」を寄稿
- ・2021年4月:世界経済フォーラムのAgenda Blogに「Japan's smart city initiatives will play key role in its digitisation and economic revival」を寄稿。本記事が米Forbes.comの記事として転載される。
 - https://www.forbes.com/sites/worldeconomicforum/2021/04/05/japans-smart-city-initiatives-will-play-key-role-in-its-digitization-and-economic-revival/
- ・2021年8月:ぎょうせい発行の地方財務(2021年8月号, No.806)にて落合孝文氏・東博暢氏と共著で「地方自治体でのデジタル化に あたっての考え方 |を寄稿
- ・2022年2月:デジタル臨時行政調査会作業部会(第3回)に於いて「Dig Onceポリシーと道路管理の状況について」報告
- ・2022年4月:医学書院発行の公衆衛生(Vol86)にて藤田卓仙氏と共に「スマートシティ構想の課題と今後のあるべき姿」を寄稿
- ・2022年9月: Forbes Japan発行のムック本Future of Citiesにて、インタビュー記事「世界の都市と共にスマートシティのルールを作る 日本がリードする、グローバルアライアンスの進路」が掲載される。(p17-19)
- ・2022年12月:公益財団法人都市計画協会発行の新都市(令和4年12月号)にて、「G20 Global Smart Cities Allianceの現在地 -国内と海外事例を踏まえて-」を寄稿
- ・2023年10月:公益財団法人都市計画協会発行の新都市(令和5年10月号)にて、「官民連携セッションを開催して」を寄稿
- ・2024年9月: Building Open Contracting Pathways to Japan を寄稿
 https://www.open-contracting.org/2024/09/19/building-open-contracting-pathways-to-japan/

【発表/受賞/国際会議】

- ・2021年11月: G20 Global Smart Cities Allianceの活動が、Smart City Expo World CongressにてGovernance & Economy Awardを受賞
- 2022年6月: World Economic Forum Urban Transformation Summit開催
- 2022年7月: U20(Jakarta) Side Event パネリスト参加
- 2022年10月: UCLG World Congress パネリスト参加
- 2023年2月: City Tech Tokyo 「Global City Leader's Panel Discussion」セッションオーナー/モデレーター
- 2023年3月: G7 都市大臣会合 官民ハイレベルラウンドテーブルを国交省様と共催で開催
- 2023年10月:日韓スマートシティシンポジウム スピーカー参加
- 2024年2月:サウジアラビアのテックイベント「LEAP」 にスピーカー参加
- 2024年5月: Sushi Tech Tokyoにて2セッションのモデレータを務める



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Launch of the G20 Global Smart Cities Alliance on Technology Governance October 9th, 2019, Asia Smart City Week, Yokohama, Japan







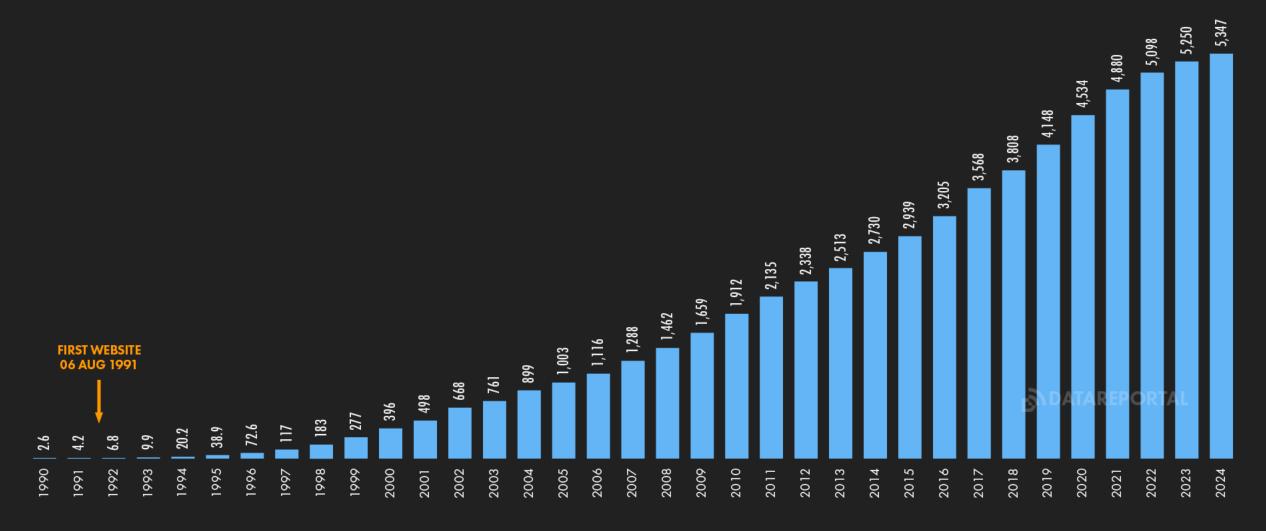


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INTERNET USE TIMELINE

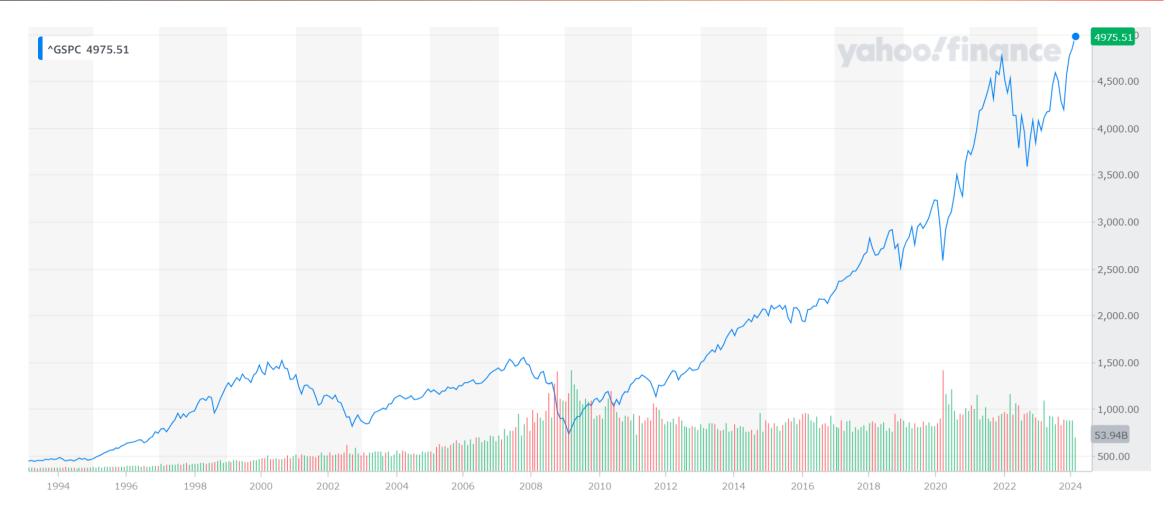
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS USING THE INTERNET OVER TIME (IN MILLIONS)







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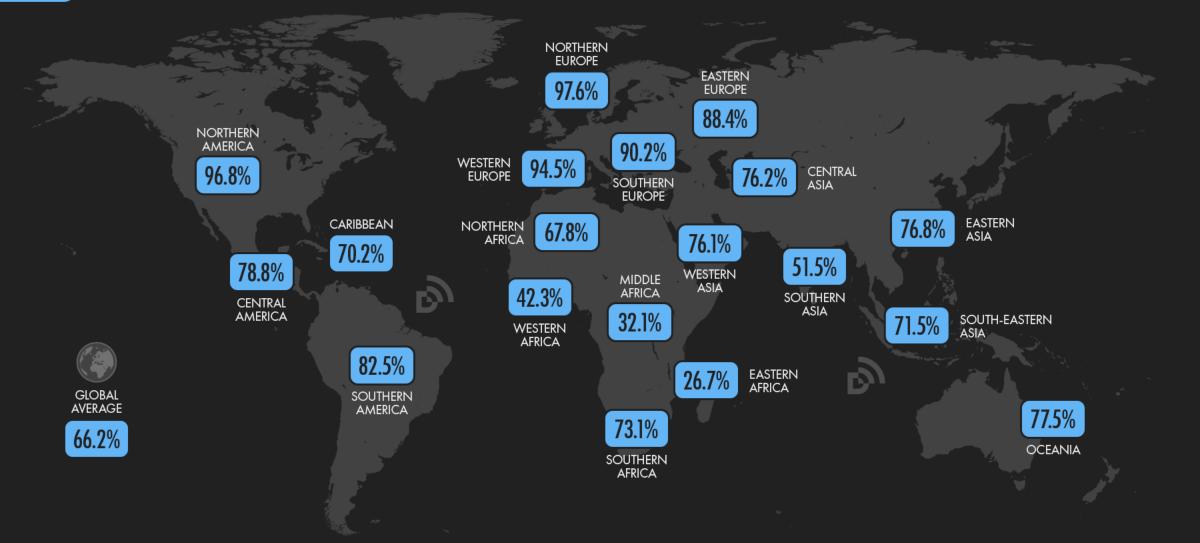
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INTERNET ADOPTION

INDIVIDUALS USING THE INTERNET AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION









UNCONNECTED POPULATIONS

COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES WITH THE LARGEST UNCONNECTED POPULATIONS AND THE LOWEST LEVELS OF INTERNET ADOPTION



ABSOLUTE: LARGEST UNCONNECTED POPULATIONS

#	LOCATION	UNCONNECTED INDIVIDUALS	% OF POP. OFFLINE
01	INDIA	683,707,000	47.6%
02	CHINA	336,416,000	23.6%
03	PAKISTAN	131,801,000	54.3%
04	NIGERIA	123,428,000	54.5%
05	ETHIOPIA	103,290,000	80.6%
06	BANGLADESH	96,473,000	55.5%
07	INDONESIA	93,401,000	33.5%
80	DEM. REP. OF THE CONGO	<i>75</i> ,612,000	72.8%
09	TANZANIA	46,600,000	68.1%
10	UGANDA	35,946,000	73.0%

RELATIVE: LOWEST LEVELS OF INTERNET ADOPTION

#	LOCATION	% OF POP. OFFLINE	UNCONNECTED INDIVIDUALS
233	NORTH KOREA ¹	>99.9%	[BLOCKED]
232	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	89.4%	5,210,000
231	BURUNDI	88.7%	11,901,000
230	SOUTH SUDAN	87.9%	9,823,000
229	NIGER	83.1%	23,016,000
228	YEMEN	82.3%	28,666,000
227	AFGHANISTAN	81.6%	34,927,000
226	ETHIOPIA	80.6%	103,290,000
225	BURKINA FASO	80.1%	18,853,000
224	MADAGASCAR	79.4%	24,373,000







S&P 500 の株価推移

S&P 500 (^GSPC) 🌣

6,001.35 +5.81 (+0.10%)

SNP - SNP Real Time Price. Currency in USD

At close: 04:59PM EST





時価総額ランキングの推移(30年)

平成元年 世界時価総額ランキング

順位	企業名	時価総額(億ドル)	国名
1	NTT	1,638.6	日本
2	日本興業銀行	715.9	日本
3	住友銀行	695.9	日本
4	富士銀行	670.8	日本
5	第一勧業銀行	660.9	日本
6	IBM	646.5	米国
7	三菱銀行	592.7	日本
8	エクソン	549.2	米国
9	東京電力	544.6	日本
10	ロイヤル・ダッチ・シェル	543.6	英国
11	トヨタ自動車	541.7	日本
12	GE	493.6	米国
13	三和銀行	492.9	日本
14	野村證券	444.4	日本
15	新日本製鐵	414.8	日本
16	AT&T	381.2	米国
17	日立製作所	358.2	日本
18	松下電器	357.0	日本
19	フィリップ・モリス	321.4	米国
20	東芝	309.1	日本

平成30年世界時価総額ランキング

順位	企業名	時価総額(億ドル)	国名
1	アップル	9,409.5	米国
2	アマゾン・ドット・コム	8,800.6	米国
3	アルファベット	8,336.6	米国
4	マイクロソフト	8,158.4	米国
5	フェイスブック	6,092.5	米国
6	バークシャー・ハサウェイ	4,925.0	米国
7	アリババ・グループ・ホールディング	4,795.8	中国
8	テンセント・ホールディングス	4,557.3	中国
9	JPモルガン・チェース	3,740.0	米国
10	エクソン・モービル	3,446.5	米国
- 11	ジョンソン・エンド・ジョンソン	3,375.5	米国
12	ビザ	3,143.8	米国
13	バンク・オブ・アメリカ	3,016.8	米国
14	ロイヤル・ダッチ・シェル	2,899.7	英国
15	中国工商銀行	2,870.7	中国
16	サムスン電子	2,842.8	韓国
17	ウェルズ・ファーゴ	2,735.4	米国
18	ウォルマート	2,598.5	米国
19	中国建設銀行	2,502.8	中国
20	ネスレ	2,455.2	スイス

21	関西電力	308.9	日本
22	日本長期信用銀行	308.5	日本
23	東海銀行	305.4	日本
24	三井銀行	296.9	日本
25	メルク	275.2	米国
26	日産自動車	269.8	日本
27	三菱重工業	266.5	日本
28	デュポン	260.8	米国
29	GM	252.5	米国
30	三菱信託銀行	246.7	日本
31	ВТ	242.9	英国
32	ベル・サウス	241.7	米国
33	BP	241.5	英国
34	フォード・モーター	239.3	米国
35	アモコ	229.3	米国
36	東京銀行	224.6	日本
37	中部電力	219.7	日本
38	住友信託銀行	218.7	日本
39	コカ・コーラ	215.0	米国
40	ウォルマート	214.9	米国
41	三菱地所	214.5	日本
42	川崎製鉄	213.0	日本
43	モービル	211.5	米国
44	東京ガス	211.3	日本
45	東京海上火災保険	209.1	日本
46	NKK	201.5	日本
47	アルコ	196.3	米国
48	日本電気	196.1	日本
49	大和証券	191.1	日本
50	旭硝子	190.5	日本

出所:米ビジネスウィーク誌(1989年7月17日号) 「THE BUSINESS WEEK GLOBAL1000」

21 ユナイテッドヘルス・グループ	2,431.0	米国
22 インテル	2,419.0	米国
23 アンハイザー・ブッシュ・インベブ	2,372.0	ベルギー
24 シェブロン	2,336.5	米国
25 ホーム・デポ	2,335.4	米国
26 ファイザー	2,183.6	米国
27 マスターカード	2,166.3	米国
28 ベライゾン・コミュニケーションズ	2,091.6	米国
29 ボーイング	2,043.8	米国
30 ロシュ・ホールディング	2,014.9	スイス
31 台湾・セミコンダクター・ マニュファクチャリング	2,013.2	台湾
32 ペトロチャイナ	1,983.5	中国
33 P&G	1,978.5	米国
34 シスコ・システムズ	1,975.7	米国
35 卜ヨタ自動車	1,939.8	日本
36 オラクル	1,939.3	米国
37 コカ・コーラ	1,925.8	米国
38 ノバルティス	1,921.9	スイス
39 AT&T	1,911.9	米国
40 HSBC・ホールディングス	1,873.8	英国
41 チャイナ・モバイル	1,786.7	香港
42 LVMH モエ・ヘネシー・ルイ・ヴィトン	1,747.8	フランス
43 シティグループ	1,742.0	米国
44 中国農業銀行	1,693.0	中国
45 メルク	1,682.0	米国
46 ウォルト・ディズニー	1,661.6	米国
47 ペプシコ	1,641.5	米国
48 中国平安保険	1,637.7	中国
49 トタル	1,611.3	フランス
50 ネットフリックス	1,572.2	米国
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*7月20日時点。各種データを基に本誌編集部作成



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LEAP

Feb 6-9, 2023 Riyadh Front Expo Centre Saudi Arabia

POST EVENT REPORT

"Jaw-dropping, spectacular, massive and mind blowing!" - **Forbes**

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LEAP received an attendance of over 172,000 across four days.

Discover the event highlights throughout this postshow report. In 2023, LEAP was co-located with the inaugural DeepFest which served as the event's dedicated Al track.

LEAP in and tap into the limitless potential of tech to build a positive future.

Watch the LEAP 2023 highlights on YouTube





LEAP IN NUMBERS

172,000+ attendance including powerful tech buyers

international

attendees



1,026+

powerhouse VCs, private equity firms and investors

cross-industry

The curiosity and enthusiasm of the participants and numerous technology providers at the event probably exceeded even some of the tech conferences here in the United States.

- Gitanjali Rao, Time's Kid of the Year 2020 and Forbes 30 Under 30

countries represented by exhibitors and attendees

183+





A CLOSER

LEAP attendee job position breakdown



2%

6%

6%

Design, UX, Customer

Experience, Product

Strategy/

Innovation

Market ng /

PR / Comms

Government

5%

Other

4%

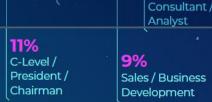
Talent.

Operations

5%

HR, People/

Procurement



10%

Engineer





Transportation 1% Entertainment / Leisure 1% Travel & Tourism 1%

Investor 1%

Media 1%

R&D 1%

FMCG 1%

Law 1%

Real Estate 1%





Student

6%

GLOBAL EXPOSURE

12.02 billion

online readership of articles featuring LEAP

40.3+ million

online views of articles featuring LEAP

234+

nationalities registered

18,289+

Pieces of global media and press coverage



Featured in:

Forbes

FAST@MPANY

Entrepreneur

WIRED

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Gulf Business

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SPEAKER RECAP



will.i.am Futurist, tech entrepreneur, CEO of FYI



Thierry Henry Football legend



HE Abdullah A Alswaha Minister of Comms & IT (MCIT), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia



Citanjali Rao TIME KId of the Year 2020



Susan Kilrain NASA Astronaut (ret.)



(LEAP is) one of the biggest





Charles Puyol Football Legend



Sean Garnier Influencer, world champion freestyle football, CEO of Urban Ball



Adam Boulton **British Journalist** (former ITV)



Daisy McAndrew **British Journalist** (former BBC)



John Lee CEO of Hong Kong SAR



Kam Chaffarian Founder and CEO, **IBX and Executive** Chairman, Axiom



Sol Rashidi Chief Analytics Officer, Estée Lauder



Baroness Karren Brady CBE Vice Chairman, West Ham United Football Club



Amin H. Nasser President & Chief **Executive Officer,** Aramco



SpaceX astronaut and 1st black woman to be a Mission Pliot



Steven Bartlett Founder. Social Chain



Martin Wezowski Chief Futurist & Head of The Future Hub. SAP

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SPEAKER RECAP



Maëlle Gavet **CEO, Tech Stars**



Pekka Lundmark **CEO of Nokla**



Borie Ekholm CEO of Ericsson



Jae Evans CIO of Oracle



Chairman. Sugarventures



Mark Hon



Jeffrey Manber President of Intl. & Space Stations at Voyager Space



Robby Yung CEO, Animoca Brands



GV Ravishankar Managing Director Seguola



Rajiv Ramaswami CEO, Nutanix



Eddie Wu Co-founder, Alibaba



Dr Rola Dashti Secretary General of UN ESCWA



Tim Draper **Chairman Draper**



CEO, Tech Mahindra



Subha Tatavarti **Chief Technology** Officer, Wipro



Hiroshi Ishiguro Director, Intelligent Robotics Laboratory



Cassie Kozyrkov Chief Decision Scientist, Google



President of **VMware**



CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

It's crazy! Crazy in a good way. In Korea when we say crazy that means it's superb. Such a big conference with vibrance.

- Yuhyun Park Founder at DQ Institute and LEAP 2023 speaker



LEAP's multi-format approach ensured multiple touchpoints to engage the 172,000+ attendees with content onsite. The four-day conference, under the theme 'Into New Worlds', borrowed story-telling elements usually met in film production. We wanted attendees to experience first-hand how technology is transforming the world we live in. Offering seven stages and 15 tracks, LEAP became a four-act story that took our audience on a journey.

LEAP's 7 stages and 15 tracks included:



LEAP Main Stage



DeepFest: the dedicated



Creative **Economy**



EduTech



RetailTech





Future Energy



Smart Cities



FinTech



HealthTech

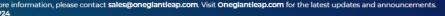


Investor



CleanTech

26 LEAP



\$9B+ ANNOUNCED IN INVESTMENTS AT LEAP

One of LEAP's key objectives is to drive business tourism and investment in Saudi Arabia. This year, over USD \$9 billion in deals and investments into the region were announced from huge technology players.

These included \$2.1 billion from Microsoft, \$1.5 billion from Oracle and millions of dollars announced from Huawei, Zoom, WAED, Zoho Corp, Wipro and HPE and more.

Investment highlights include:

ORACLE

\$1.5B

He wlett Packard
Enterprise

\$150M

zoom

\$434M

ZOHO

\$300M

HUAWEI

\$400M

wipro:

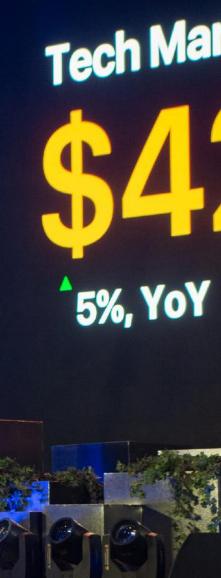
.\$110M

WAED

\$300M

Microsoft

\$2.1B



EXPO OVERWIEW

Hundreds of thousands of attendees visited the buzzing expo floor over the four days of LEAP to discover the newest technologies that are taking us Into New Worlds.

LEAP's sold-out exhibition had 900 companies, including some of the world's biggest international tech companies.

62,000+

SOM sold out

57%

attendees converted into leads

900 exhibitors

start-ups

900 Exhibitors included:

(Exhibitors limited due to venue capacity):































































Exhibitor country breakdown



Interested in exhibiting at **#LEAP24?** Get in contact!

ROCKET FUEL:

THE REGION'S HOTTEST PITCH COMPETITION

LEAP hosted two start-up pitch competitions: Rocket Fuel (with a prize fund of \$1 million and a celebrity judging panel including two Dragons from Dragons' Den) and esteemed investor Tim Draper's "Meet the Drapers" competition show which was televised live to a global audience. These gained global coverage and generated a huge buzz.

Rocket **Fuel** judges

Steven

Bartlett

Founder, Social



Ghazal Alagh Co-Founder Mamaearth & Judge In Shark Tank India



Baroness

Footbal Club

Karren Brady

Vice Chairman of

West Ham United

Tala Al Jabri Board Director, Middle East Venture Capital Association



Businessman, Investor & Former Dragon on BBC's Dragons' Den

Industries represented



EduTech



FinTech



DeepTech



BioTech



Smart Cities



ClimateTech



FoodTech



HealthTech





AgriTech



Retail



Web 3.0

Contestants by country



MORE THAN JUST AN EVENT

LEAP featured an artistic performance delivered by Global Media/Entertainment agency VICE Media, innovation demos, panel discussions, fireside chats with celebrities, inspiring talks, interactive robots, rousing call to actions from activists and more.

The event housed exhibitions from 'wow companies' to enhance the attendee experience. These included robots, Magic Keys VR Piano, Autonomous Vehicles and bHaptics Suits and Mirror NFT experience.

After the event attendees could join an after-hours content held in Riyadh with Egyptian singer Amr Diab and more.



INVESTOR OVERVIEW

This year at LEAP, we welcomed 1,026 investors who represented \$2 trillion in assets under management (AUM).

LEAP also hosted an Investor Stage with dedicated content including five mentorship masterclass sessions designed to support young entrepreneurs.

Investors (+211% increase since 2022)

(+1182% increase since 2022)

50/50

gender split of speakers on the **Investor Stage**

Top investment firms:

BlackRock. Accel Brookfield octopus SEQUOIA╚

500

Al-Fahad

INVESTOR

SPOTLIGHT

Start-ups and Scale-ups: Regarding Diversity,

Equity and Inclusion from the Start

The most popular sectors:

Fintech 48.2% Sector Agnostic 27.5%

AI 19.6%

HealthTech 19.6%

E-Commerce 16.8%



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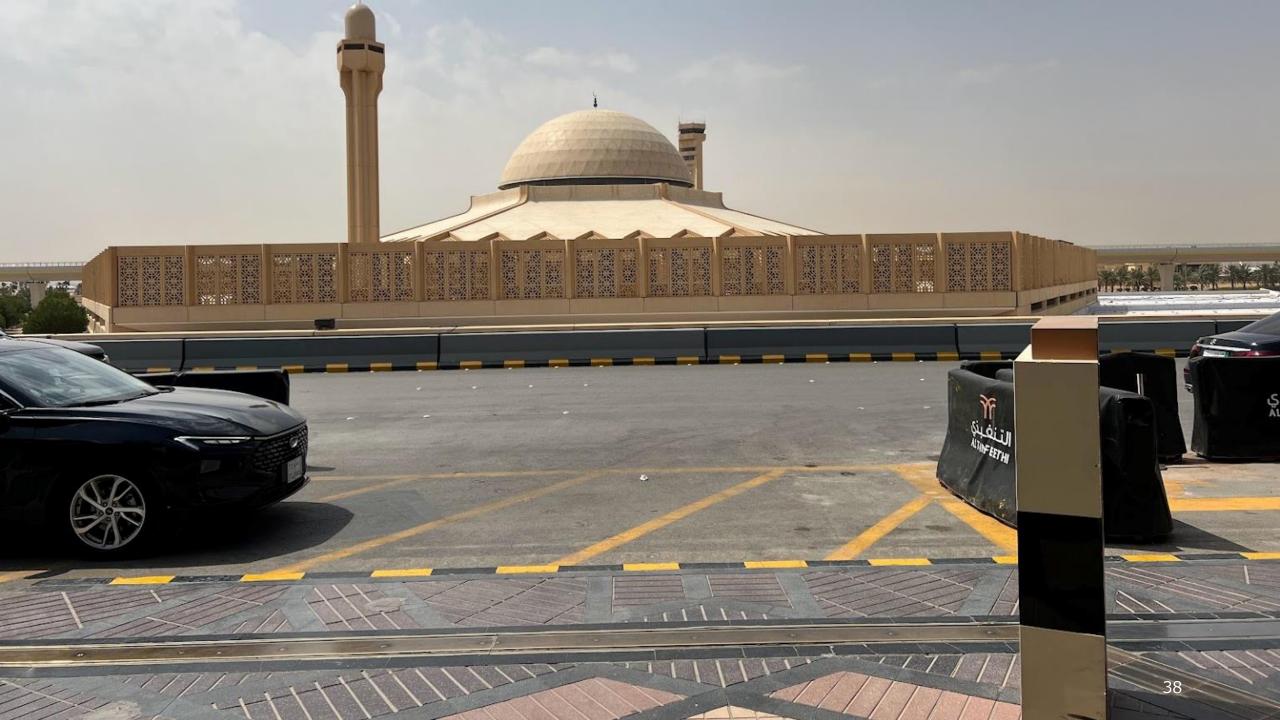
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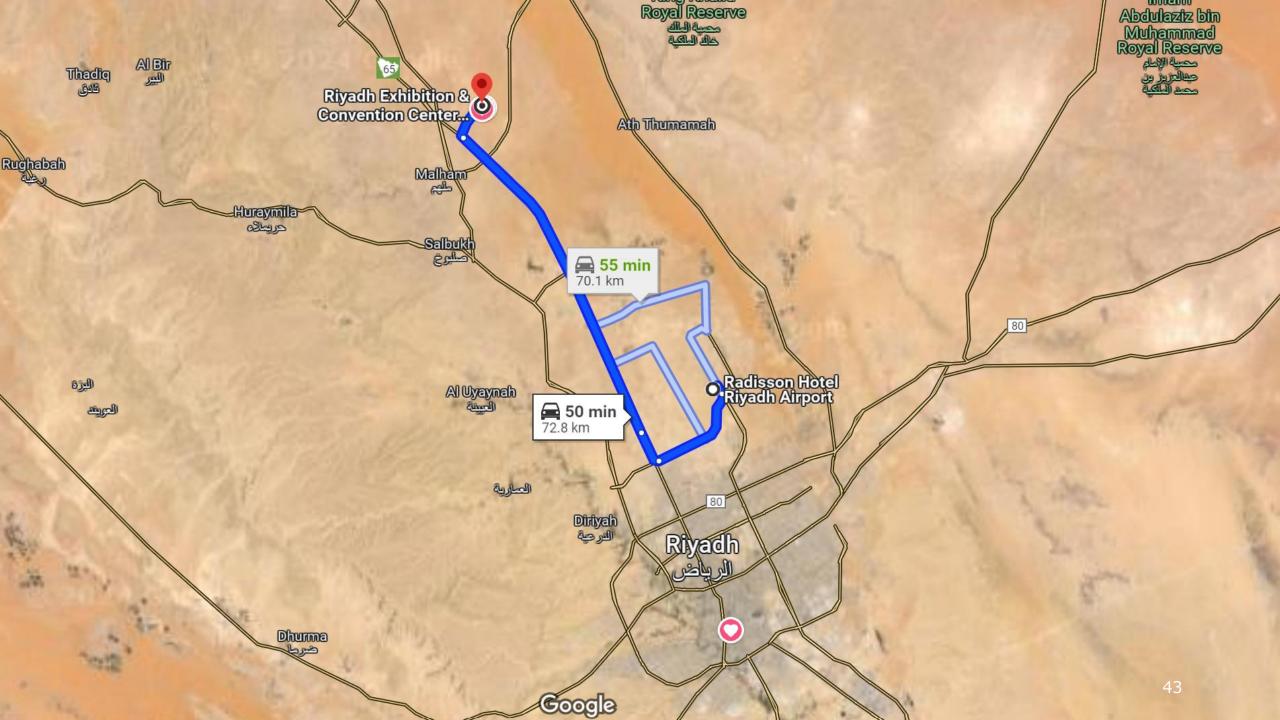




















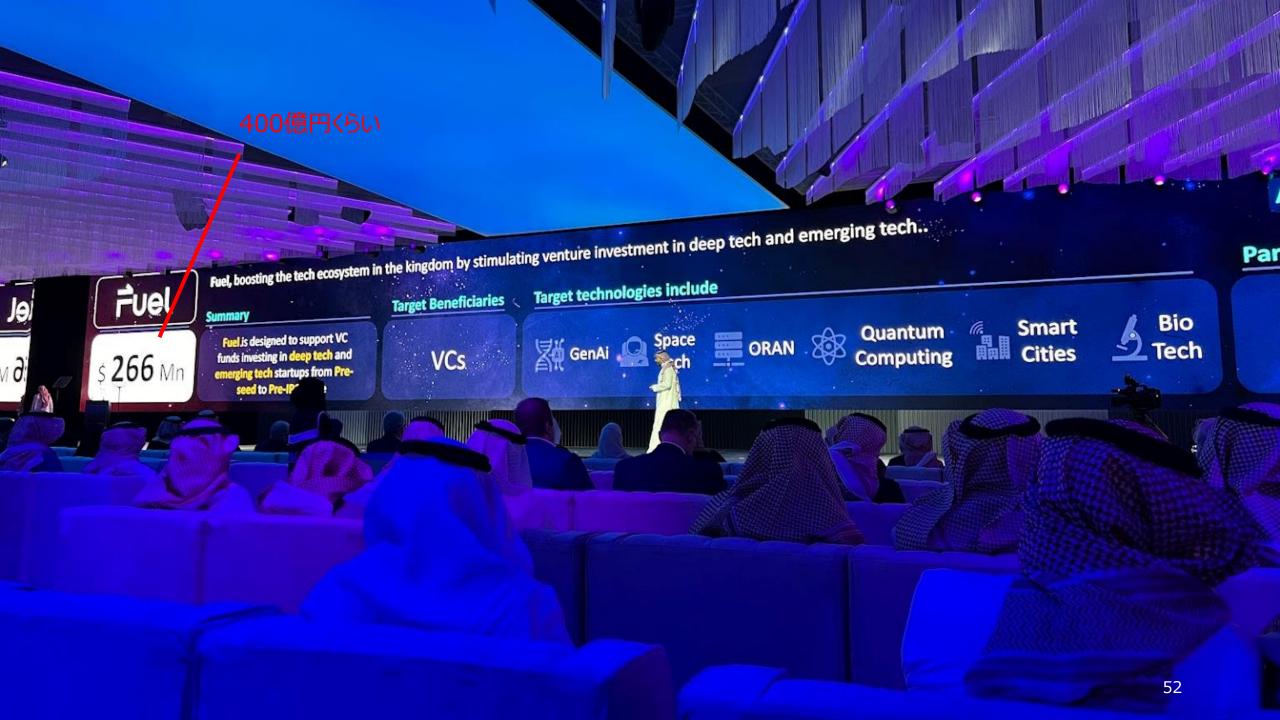


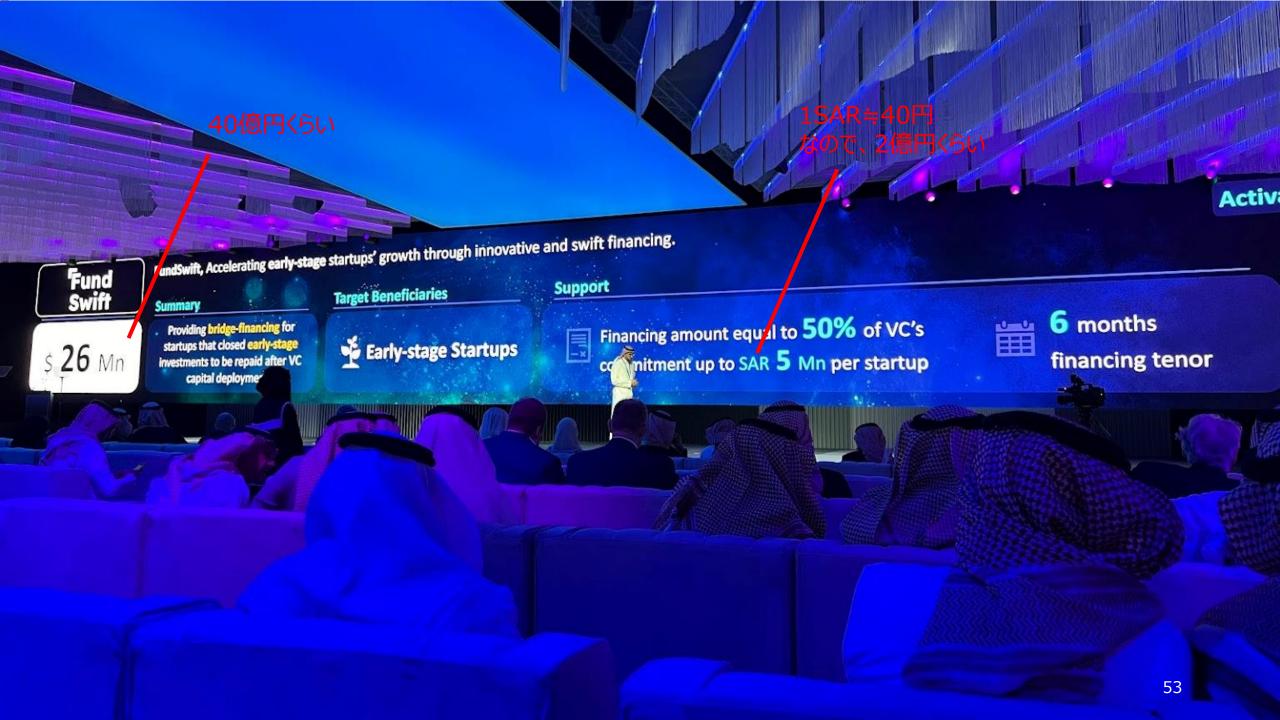


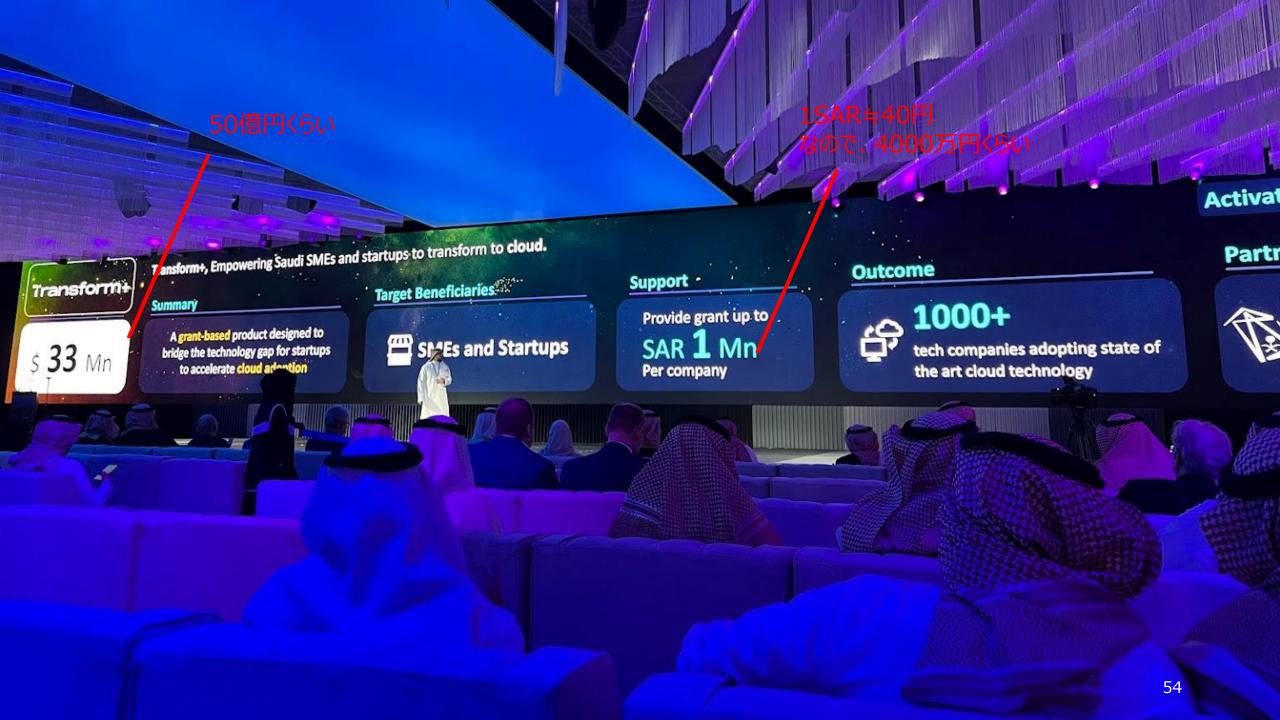
















































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Harnessing Technology for Smarter Cities

Lessons from Japan and Opportunities for Global Collaboration

Yuta HIRAYAMA

Advisor to Tsukuba City Osaka Metropolitan University IDEAPOST



Demographic Drive for Digitalization:

Japan's severe aging population and low birth rate are major motivators for embracing digital transformation as a way to manage societal changes effectively.

Analog Dominance vs. Digital Delay:

Despite having advanced technological capabilities, Japan's heavy reliance on traditional methods, like high cash usage, indicates a reluctance to transition to digital solutions, we can call it as "The innovator's dilemma".

Limited Scale in Pilot Projects:

Recent pilot projects in Japan, mainly focused on rural and elderly care, have leaned heavily towards welfare without achieving business sustainability or scalability.

Robotics and Global Collaboration:

Rapid advancements in robotics highlight the potential for significant innovations. The future challenge lies in mastering group control of robots and the crucial role of global collaboration in driving forward this technology.



Speaker's Profile



[Biography]

Yuta Hirayama, a distinguished graduate of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) and the Graduate School of Economics at Kyushu University, specialized in Industrial Management (QBS). In May 2016, he founded IDEAPOST Inc., focusing on the revitalization of local regions and providing invaluable support to overseas startups.

His professional journey took a new turn in February 2019 when he joined the World Economic Forum's Center for the Fourth Industrial Revolution Japan. During his tenure, he played a pivotal role in the launch of the G20 Global Smart Cities Alliance. However, the organization reached its conclusion with its dissolution in June 2023. Seizing this as an opportunity, He made a return to IDEAPOST Inc. in July 2023, where he now leads the company's renewed focus on supporting startups and promoting open innovation.

[Public Positions in 2024]

- Advisor to Tsukuba City
- Project Professor at Osaka Metropolitan University
- Visiting Associate Professor at Nagoya University
- Visiting Associate Professor at Kyushu University
- •Special Researcher at Institute of Systems, Information Technology & Nanotechnologies (ISIT)

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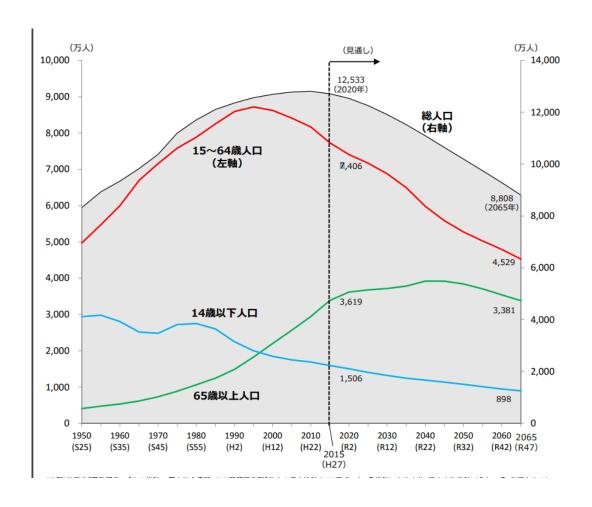
The Aging Crisis / Population Decline in Japan

Population Dynamics:

As of early 2024, Japan's population is estimated at around 122.9 million. This represents a decrease from previous years, with a net loss of approximately one person every 47 seconds. This trend is expected to continue, with projections indicating a further decline in population over the coming years.

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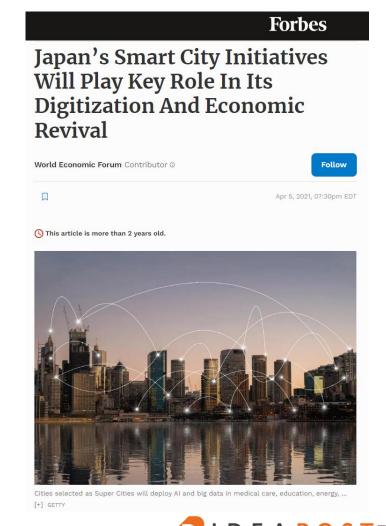
Japan's population is projected to decrease to approximately 116 million by 2030, representing a reduction of about 7 to 8 million people compared to 2024. This decrease is roughly equivalent to the population of Riyadh, signifying a substantial impact.





The innovator's dilemma

- •Japan's new digital agency and other initiatives are designed to pave the way for the country's long-overdue digital transformation.
- •The Super City Law aims to improve the collaboration between the public and private sectors for the digital transformation of cities.
- •Japan was an early and enthusiastic supporter of the G20 Global Smart Cities Alliance, whose knowledge-sharing promises to bring convergence on key issues like privacy, interoperability and business models.





Japan's Digital Transformation Initiative

To drive forward digital transformation, the Japanese government has significantly shifted its approach. Key moves include the establishment of the Digital Agency to rapidly advance digital policies, and the creation of 'Super City' national strategic zones, focusing on implementing technology in society.





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Challenges in Japan's Aging Solution Trials: Subsidy Dependence Hinders Business Viability

To address rapid aging, numerous trials are being conducted in rural and suburban areas. However, these are mostly reliant on subsidies and not translating into viable businesses, leading to many projects ending without yielding results. Developing projects with sustainable business models is crucial.

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Smart countryside: How tech can help revive Japan's rural regions



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Is it a bus or a taxi? For some small Japanese towns, the answer is both



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For an aging Osaka suburb, the best 'smart city' innovations are low-key



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Challenges in Japan's Aging Solution Trials: Subsidy Dependence Hinders Business Viability

Urban Area	Rural and Suburban Areas	
In urban areas: Congestion and overcrowding during rush hours are significant problems. Discuss how the public transportation system can be optimized to address this.	In rural areas: the lack of public transportation, or its complete absence, is a problem. Consider how this can be addressed.	Accessibility and Social Inclusion vs. Business model
Environmental Impact: Discuss the impact of urban traffic on the environment and the role of public transportation in reducing this impact.	Sustainable Mobility Solutions: Explore how sustainable and practical transportation options can be realized in small communities.	Environment VS. Busines smodel
Technological Innovations: There is a need to use data analysis and Al technology to make public transportation more efficient and environmentally friendly.	Community Participation: Discuss how local communities can be involved in the planning of public transportation to meet the needs of local residents.	Technlogy VS. Community Oriented



日本におけるスマートシティ実装の課題整理(例えば交通を例に・・)

都市部の課題

■渋滞や混雑緩和

ラッシュアワー時の混雑と過密が大きな問題である。 公共交通システムをどのように最適化してこれらの 課題に対処するかを検討する必要がある。

■環境への配慮

都市生活が環境に与える影響や重要性を認識した上で、自動車の割合を減らし、公共交通や自転車や徒歩などの比率を高めるほか、公園を増やすといった施策が検討されている。

■技術革新

データ分析やAI技術を活用し、たとえば、リアルタイムデータを基に需要予測に基づく車両等の最適化や自動運転技術を実装することで、運行コストの削減やサービス向上、交通混雑の緩和や二酸化炭素排出量の削減といった効果が期待できる。

郊外・地方・山間部の課題

■交通手段の確保・維持 / アクセスの改善

中山間地域等の小規模なコミュニティにおいて、持続可能かつ実用的な交通手段をどのように実現するか、限られた交通資源を補うために、地域社会の参加が不可欠である。

地元住民のニーズを反映し、既存のバス路線だけでなく、乗り合いタクシーや地域密着型の交通手段を導入・運用することで、減便された交通手段を補完するような柔軟で持続可能な移動手段を模索する必要がある。

また、高齢者や移動困難者の声を取り入れることで、地域に即した実現可能な解決策を見出す必要があるが、持続可能なビジネスとして運営するには、非常に厳しい現実がある。

Accessibility and Social Inclusion

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Environment

VS Sustainable Business model

Technlogy VS.
Community
Oriented





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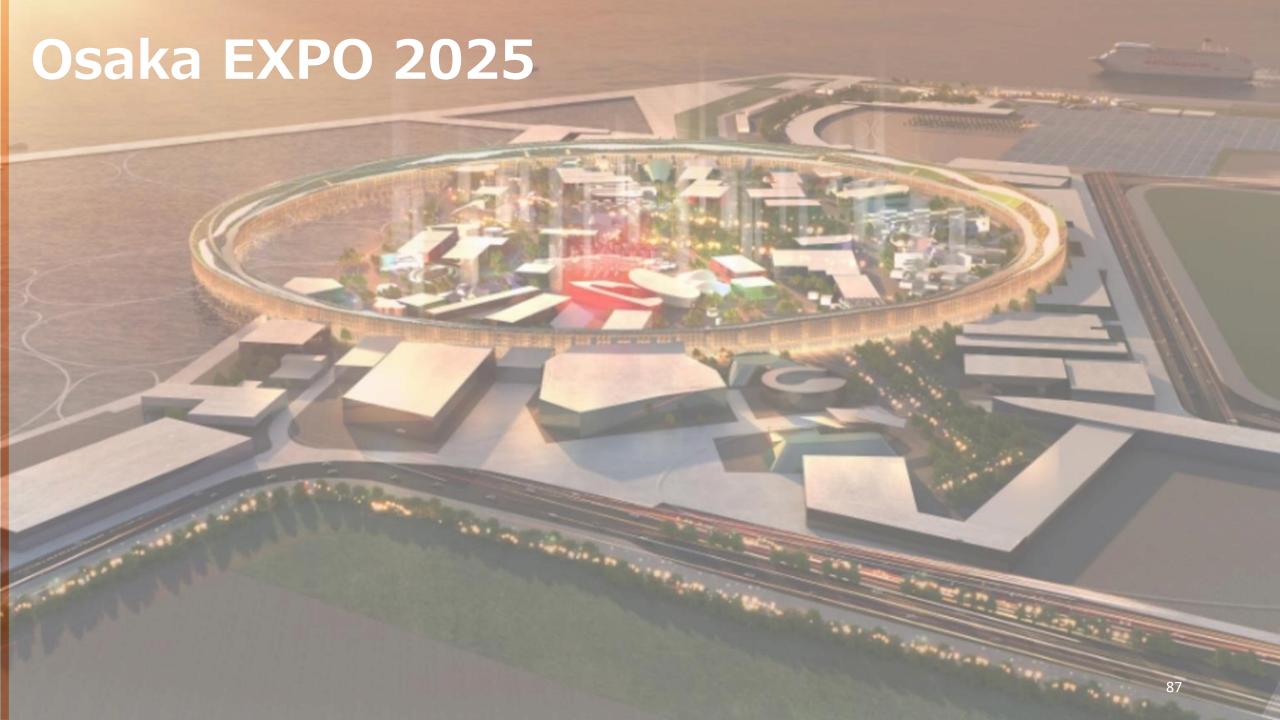
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Global Perspective on Smart Cities:

Established business models in smart city projects are rare worldwide, indicating a pivotal moment in the repetitive cycle of pilot studies.

Robotics as a Viable Business:

In Japan, where the population is declining, the use of robots is emerging as a sustainable business, creating new market opportunities.

Japan's Competitive Edge in Robotics: With a comparative advantage in robotics, Japan faces numerous opportunities to forge new markets through global collaboration. However, high-quality robotics are being produced globally, making the development of swarm control a crucial focus.

Upcoming Events in Japan:

Looking forward to meeting everyone here at the upcoming Sushi Tech TOKYO in May, hosted by Tokyo, and the OSAKA EXPO 2025, showcasing Japan's cutting-edge technologies.





- ・生成AIやロボティクス、スマートシティといった分野において、現状では日本の企業の存在感は薄く、1周も2周も遅れているような状況になっている。AGIという言葉を1日に100回聞く環境と、1回も聞かない環境で1年過ごせば、情報感度に大きな差が出てしまう。
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