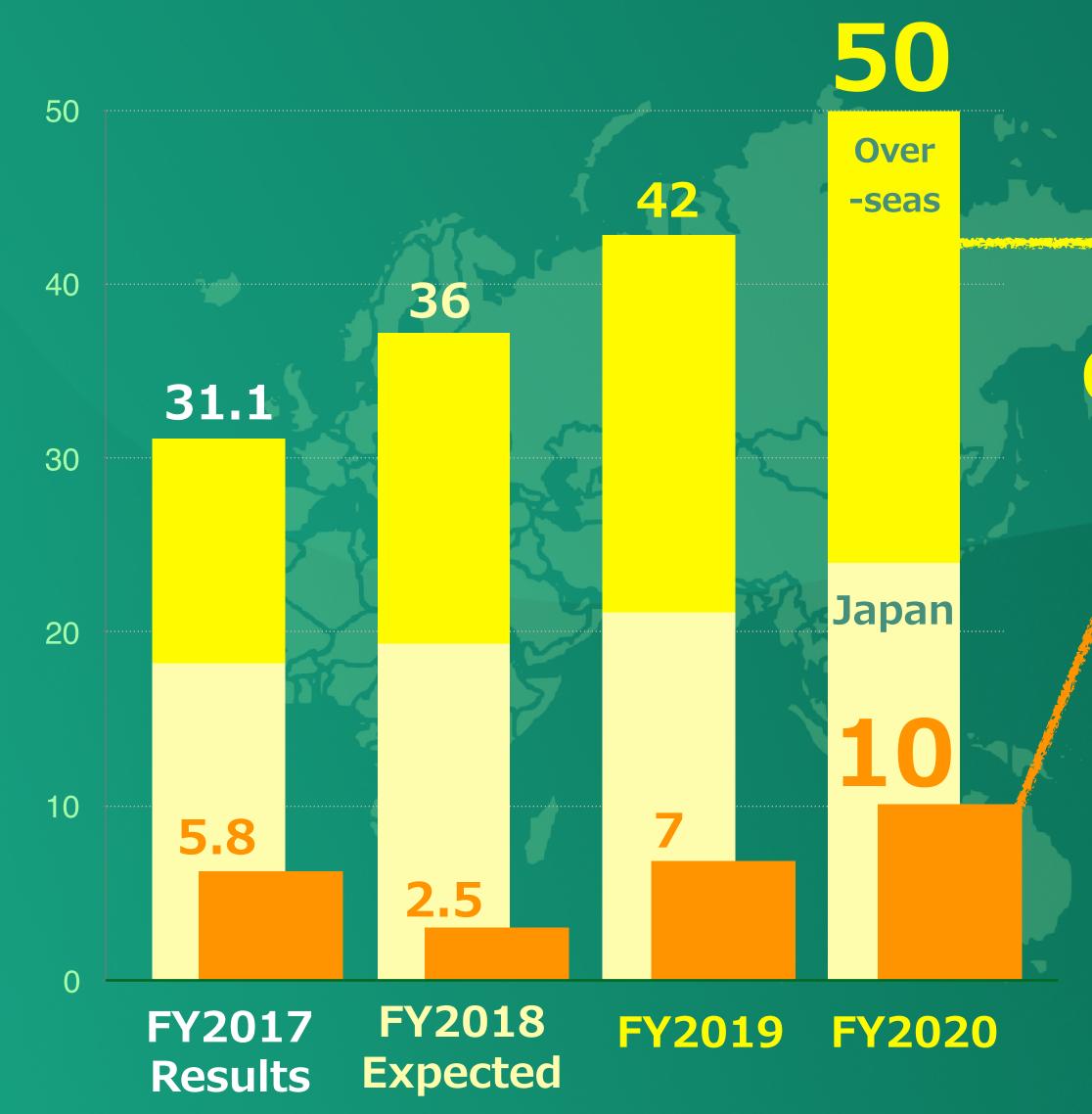
# Mid-term Business Plan 2020

The "Connection" to the future



## Asterio Mid-term Business Plan 2020



Sales revenue: 5B JPY

Operating profits: 1B JPY

Overseas sales ratio: 50% Operating profits ratio: 20%

- \* IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards)
- \* Does not include company acquisitions
- \* Does include technology acquisitions and JVs



## Asterio Mid-term Business Plan 2020

Our world is rapidly changing and companies must be able to compete on a global scale

No Investment, No Growth



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# Asteria Aggressive M&A

Our M&A targets for focused investment span the globe

UK, EU, Eastern Europe

Japan



Southeast Asia

Current locations (June 2018)

Potential areas for investment; does not indicate specific candidates or plans.



# Asterio Focused investment areas

# The 455

(AI, Big data etc.)

→ "Data" will be only corporate IT asset.

(IoT, Smart devices etc.)

→ "Devices" as essential components in infrastructure

(Design Thinking, Digital Transformation etc.)

→ Into an age of "Design First"

**l**ecentralized

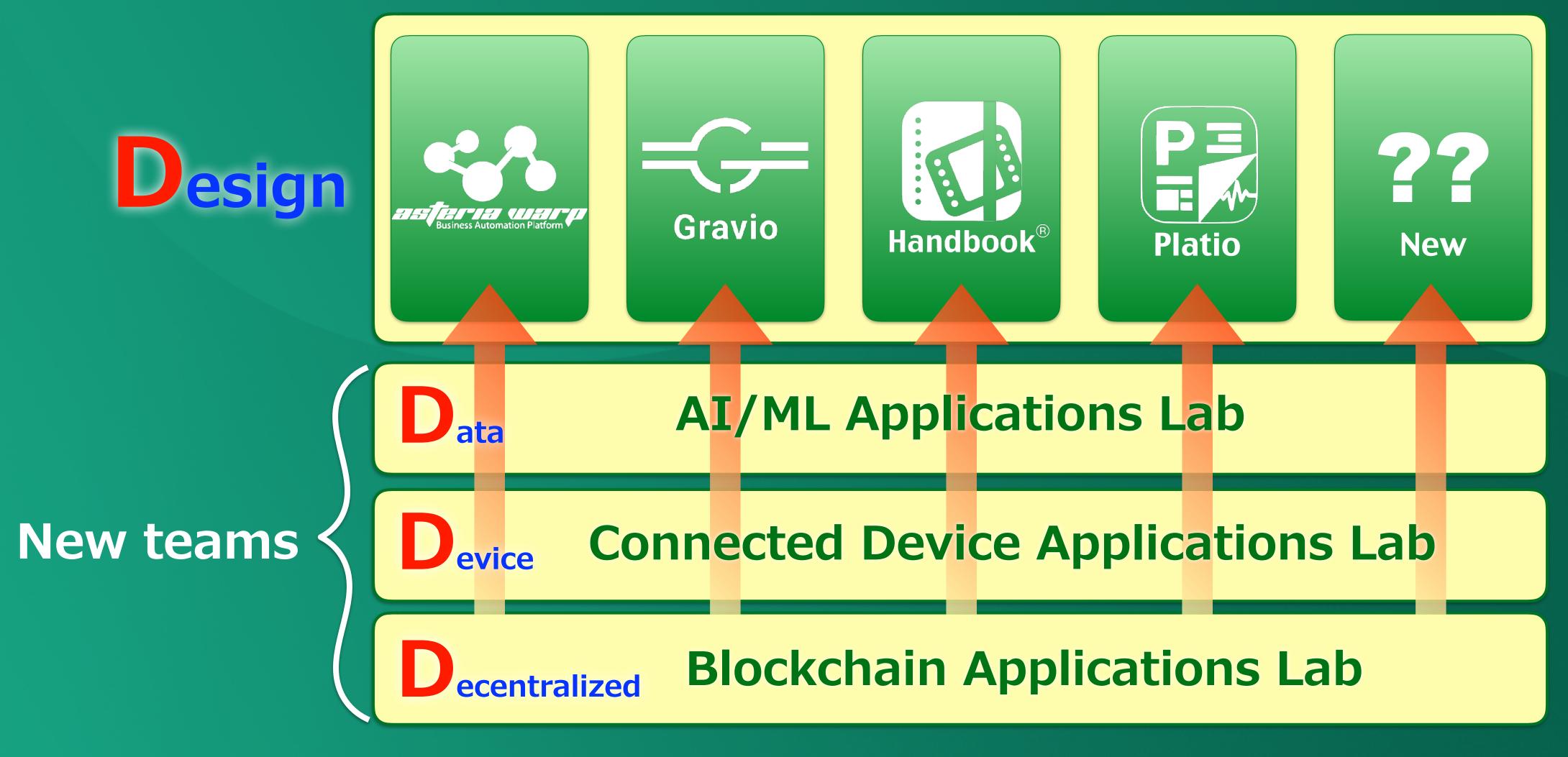
(Blockchain, DApps etc.)

→ An age of distributed but connected individuals



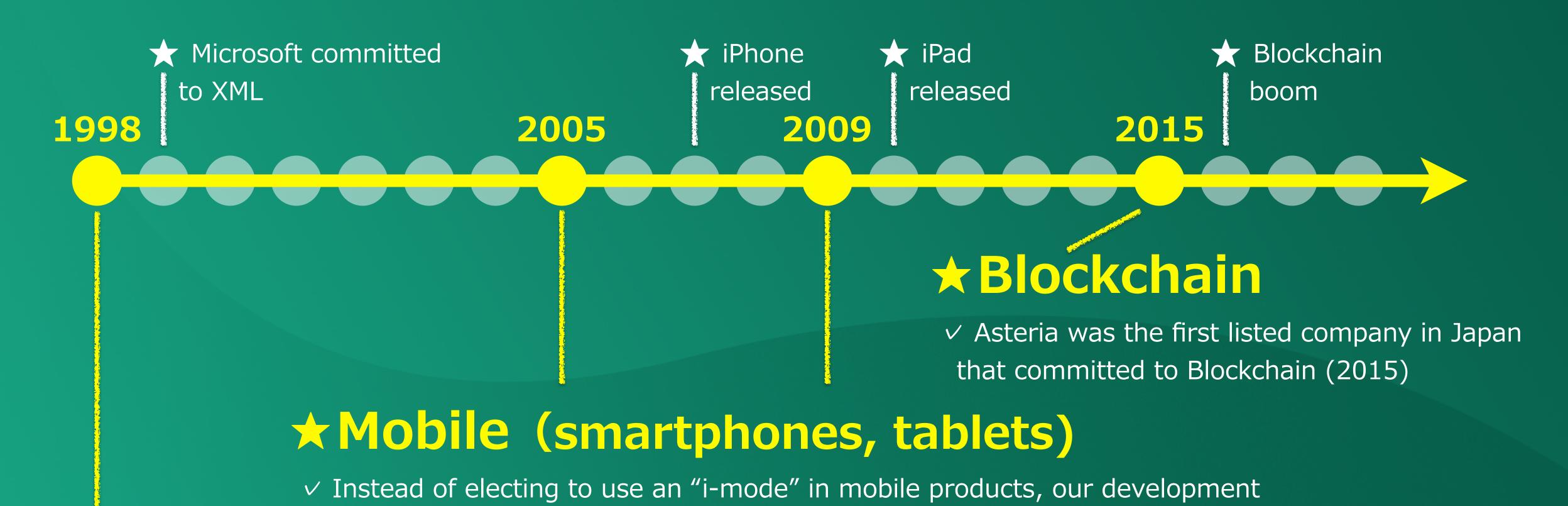
# Asterio A new R&D structure

Superiority through product & technology foresight



### Asterio Asteria's foresight

envisioned PCs fitting into a pocket (2005)



- ✓ Asteria released Handbook as a smart device that can be used in the workplace (2009).
- Before Microsoft and other companies in Japan, Asteria committed to and focused on XML (1998)



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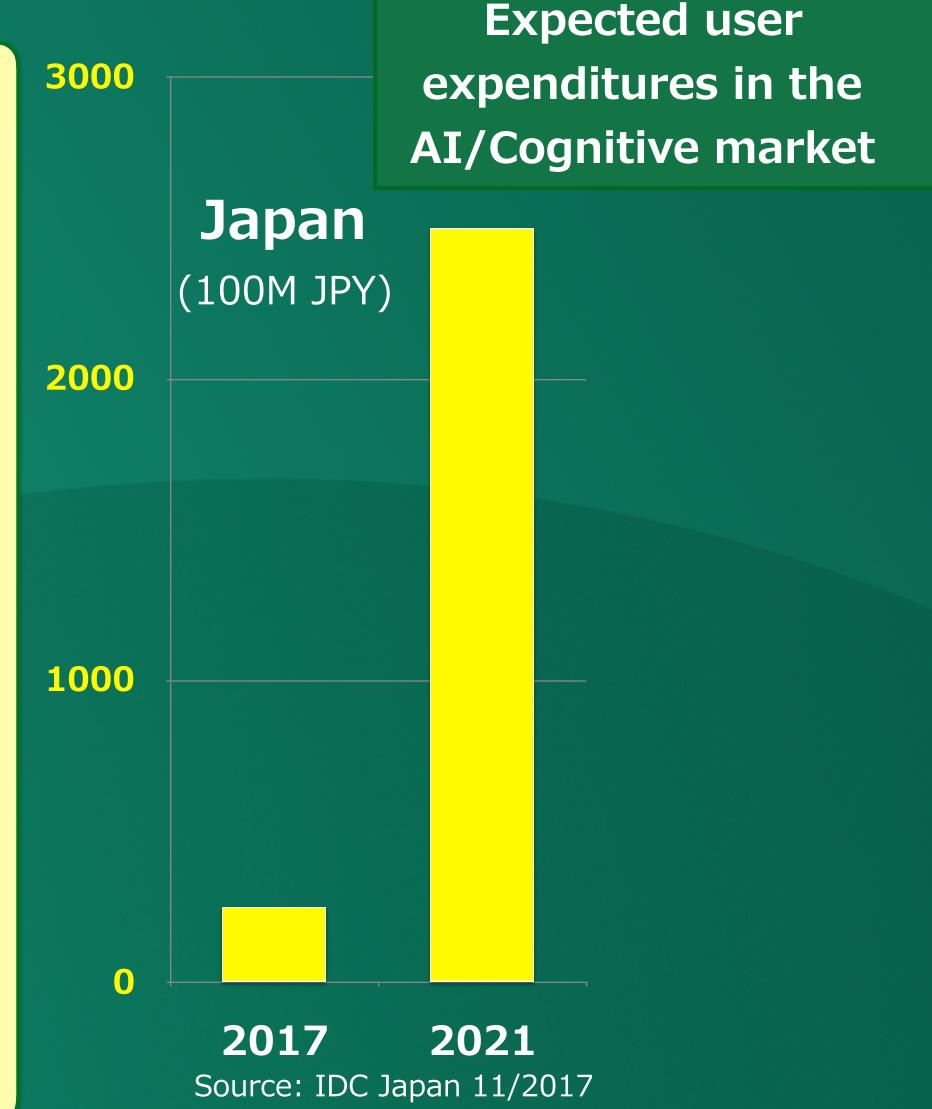
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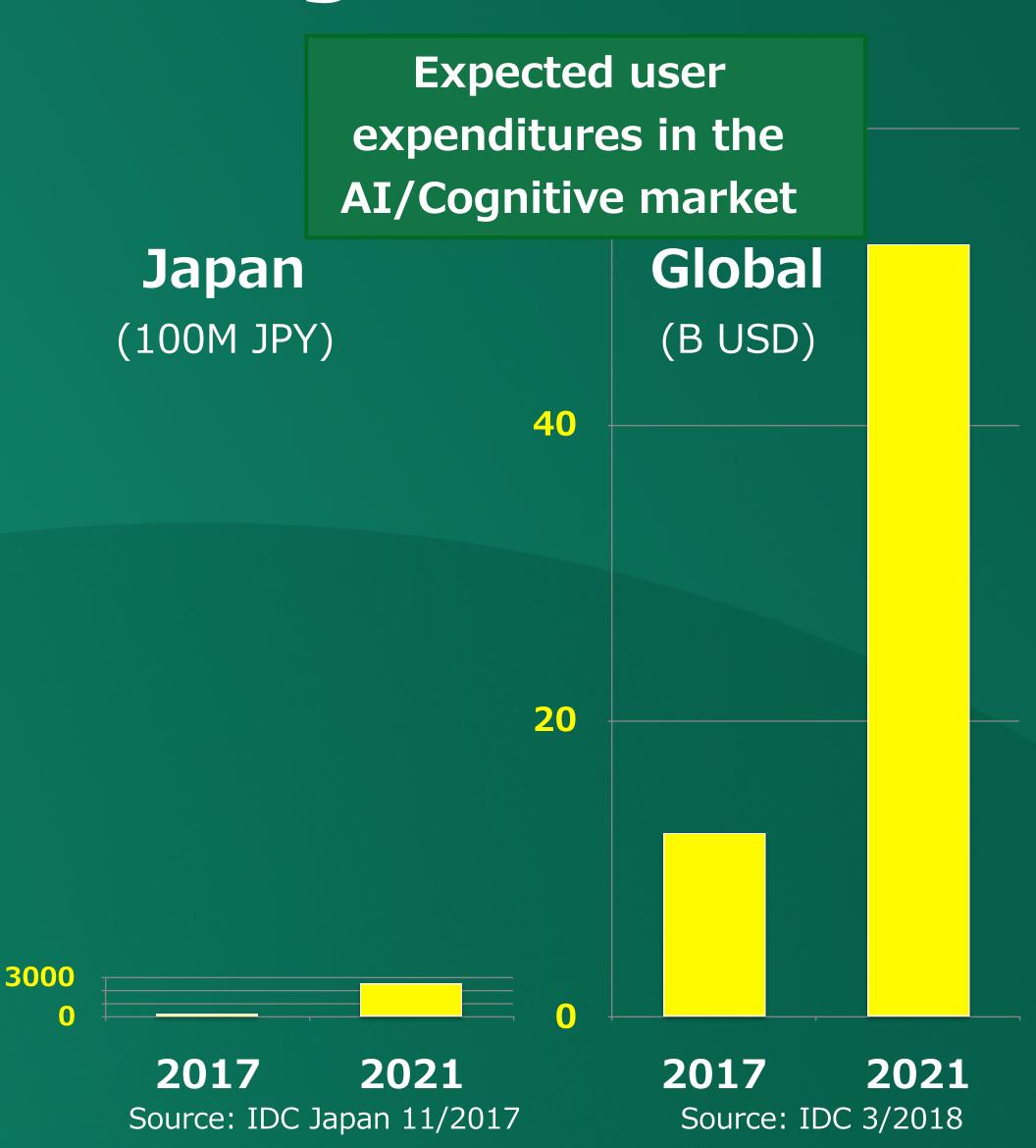
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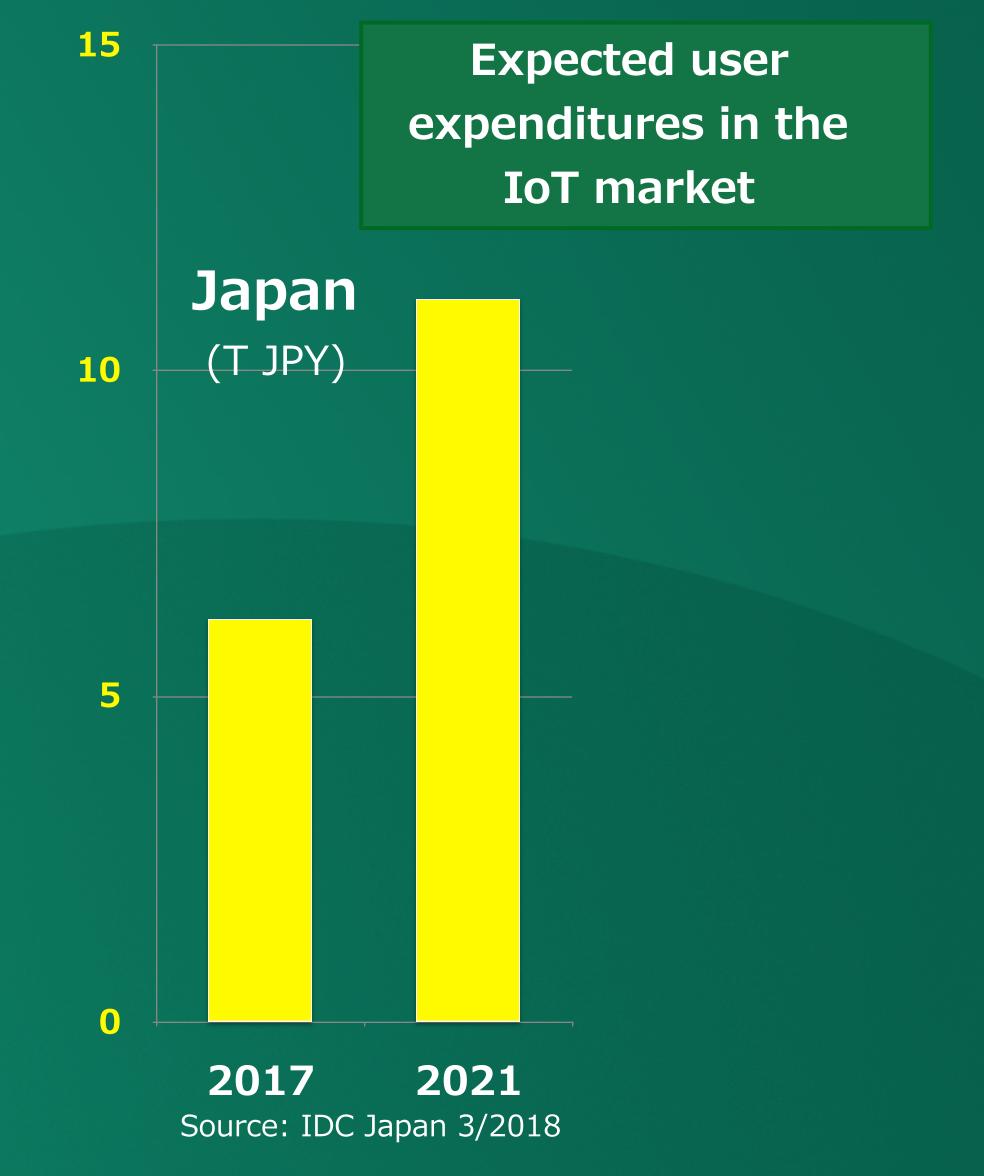
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General IoT Devices (sensors, actuators)

**General Device Hubs** (controllers, security)

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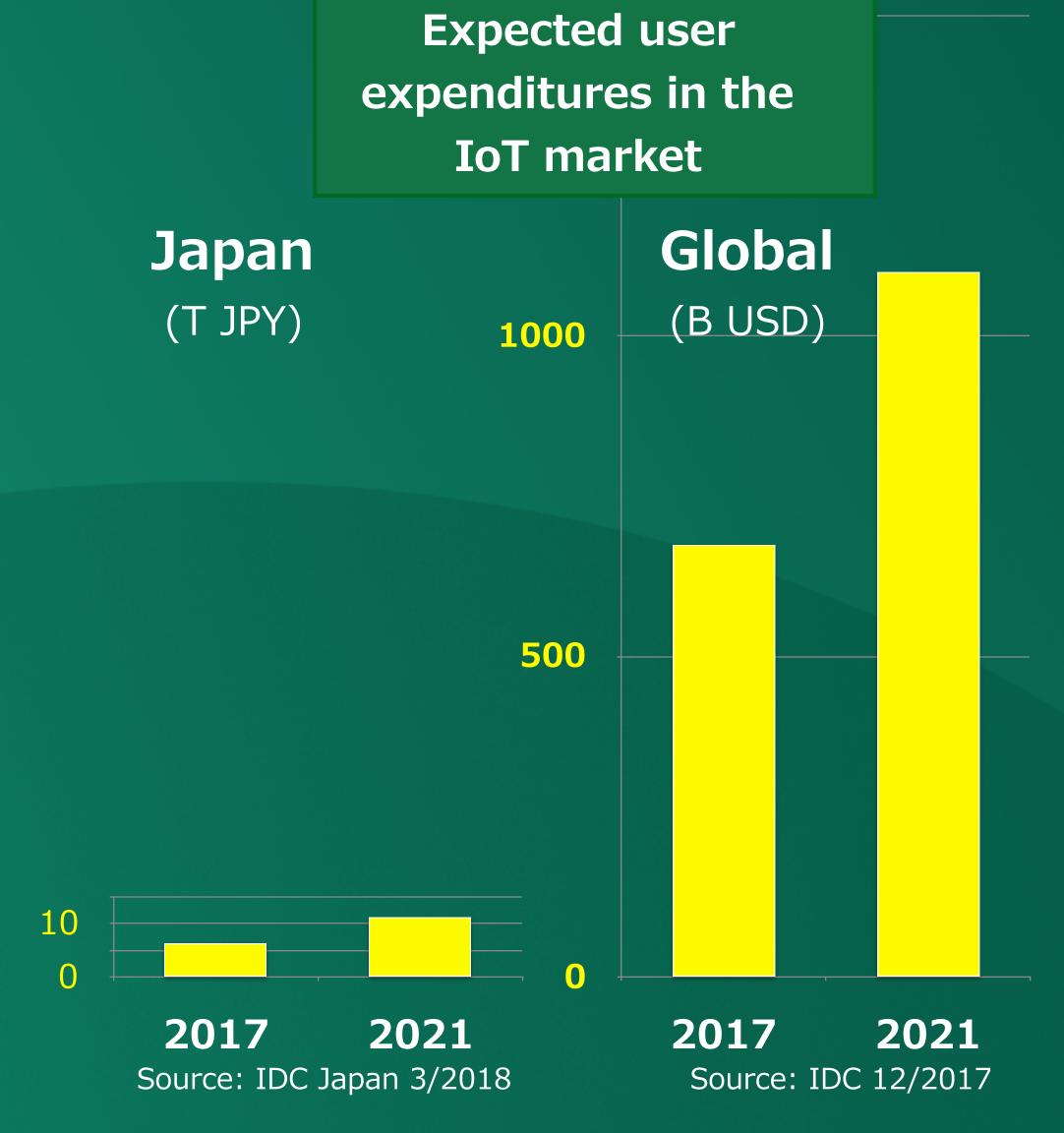
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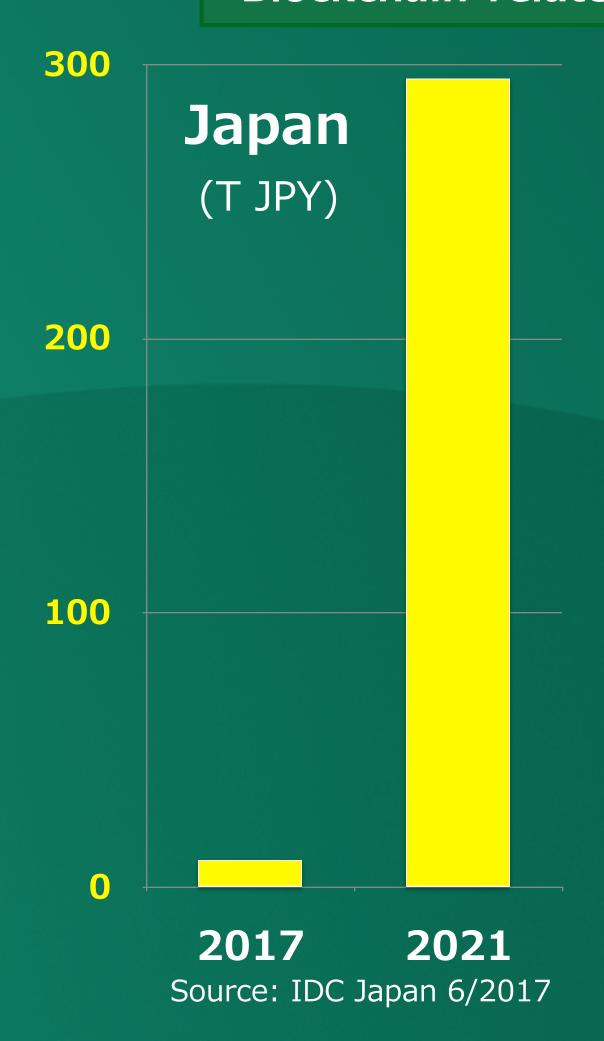
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Mid-to-long term

- **★** Non-programming Smart contracts
- **★ Value linkage in the Token Economy**

**Expected user expenditures in Blockchain-related markets** 





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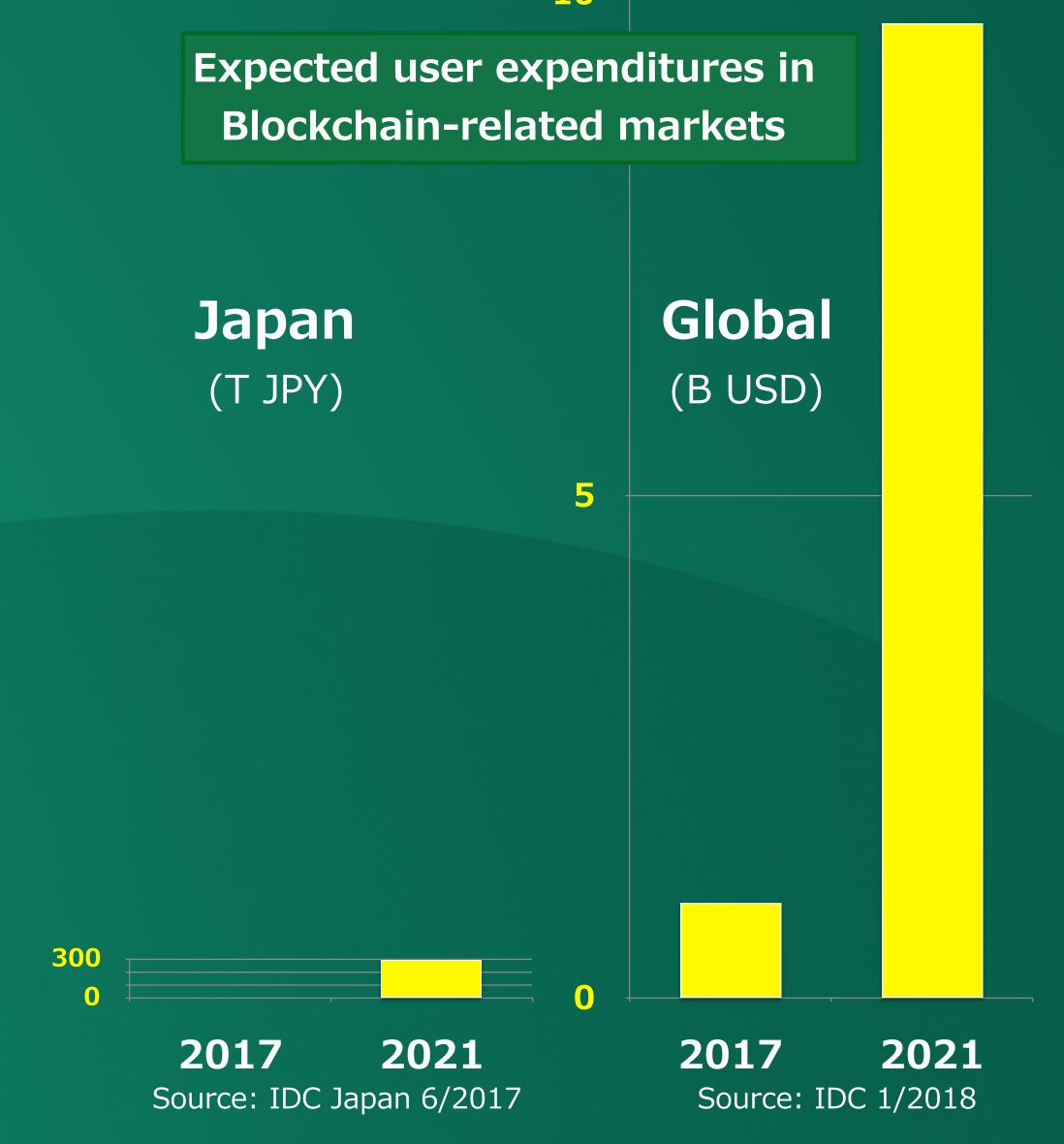
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### Asterio Priorities for ASTERIA WARP



#### \* Ecosystem expansion

- Extensive expansion in connectivity
- V Master Partners: Major SI companies
- ✓ Subscription Partners: Cloud Integrator, ISV

#### \* Market expansion

- Major expansion in market for "Core" (a monthly payment product)
- Establish new offices in Chubu and Kyushu



### Asterio Priorities for Handbook

#### **★** Focus on growth areas

- ✓ Lead the SalesTech market
- Promote "innovative working environments"
- V New areas: anti modification, video distribution, etc.



#### \* Strengthen channels

- ✓ NTT docomo (the "Business Plus" service)
- ✓ SMB (small-to-mid-sized business) resellers, etc.)



### Asterio Priorities for design services

- \* Acquire new large clients
  - V North America, London



- \* Expand target regions
- ✓ North America (besides Seattle), Japan
- **★** Collaborative projects
- ✓ To realize the "Design First" concept (Beginning with Gravio)



### Asterio Recruit superior talent to support business



- Output-oriented

  Provide a flexible work environment
- ✓ "I want to" not "I have to"



#### **Globally Competitive**

- ✓ Internationally competitive wages
- ✓ Internationally competitive corporate culture

 $120 \rightarrow 180$  employees

**Quality** > **Quantity** 



#### **Promote diversity**

- ✓ No gender/sexual orientation discrimination
- ✓ Aggressively recruit talent regardless of citizenship



#### New ways of recruiting

- ✓ Via social media, SNS



# ESG Management

(Environment, Society, Governance)



# Infoteria ESG Management Promotion









#### Oguni-town, Aso, Kumamoto

- Asteria forest (promoting protection of the cedar forest)
- ✓ Use of cedar wood (office & novelty products)
- ✓ Disaster support measures (Handbook)
- Senboku-city, Akita Ongoing
- Protection of "Senbonzakura (thousand cherry trees)"
- ✓ Travel guide for foreigners (Handbook)





- Participation in SDGs
- From the second year of the Mid-term Business Plan



# Infoteria ESG Management Promotion











#### ★ Diversity/LGBT employment support

- ✓ Received "Work with Pride" award (maintain institutional development measures and provide seminars)
- ✓ Japanese language learning & housing support to foreign employees

#### **★** Support for NPO activities

- ✓ Kamonohashi project (to eradicate human trafficking)
- ✓ IT charity event marathon relay race (to support recovering from depression)

#### **Ongoing ★** Leader in "workplace innovation"

- ✓ Received "Telework Promotion Award" (Japan Telework Association)
- Received "Top Hundred Telework Pioneers and HAPPY Telework Award" (MIC)
- Received "White Business Award"



# Infoteria ESG Management Promotion















#### **★** Half of the directors are external

- ✓ Aiming for 75% external directors, for separation from executives and management
- Promoting even more diversity in the future

#### Corporate governance code

Listed in the First Section of Tokyo Stock Exchange and fully compliant with the code

#### **NEW!** \* Establish a global advisory board

- ✓ Invite internationally renowned management executives/ intellectuals (for talks in English)
- Globalization not just in theory but in practice



### Asterio Directors adept at the 3Gs (Governance, Global and Guts)

Board of Directors

Founder/CEO **Blockchain Collaborative Consortium Director** 



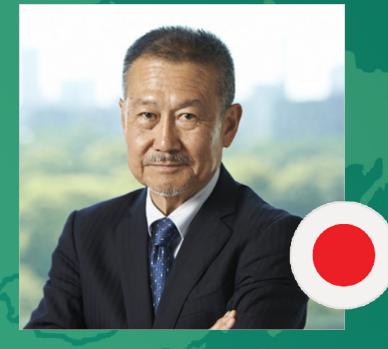
**Pina Hirono** 

**Former Director NEC Audit Office** 



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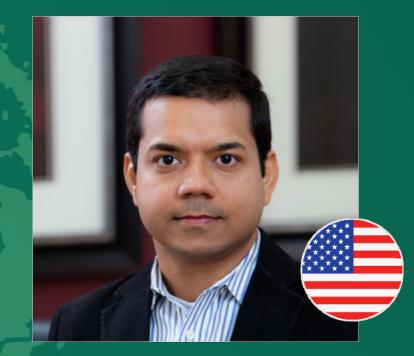
**Kotaro Tamura** 

**Former Asteria CFO** 



Tsuneyuki Ozaki

**Fenox VC CEO Startup World Cup Chairman** 



**Anis Uzzaman** 

Audit &

Supervisory

Board

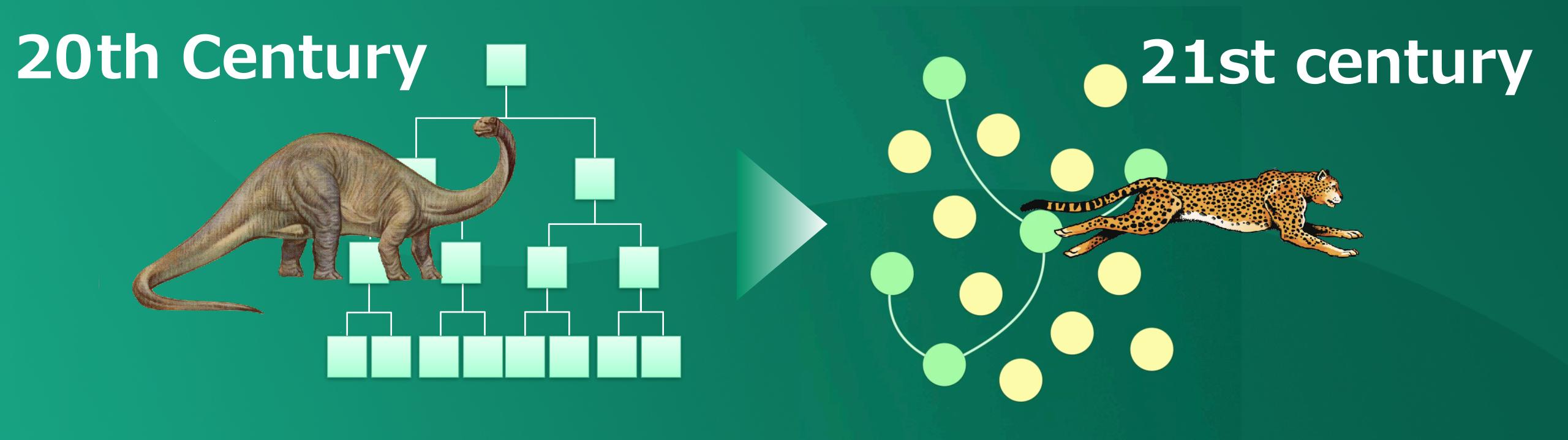


### The road ahead



### Asterio<sup>♦</sup> The road ahead → An evolving organization

Hierarchy - Rules - Control Autonomic - Distributed - Collaborative



**Static and Slow** 

Flexible and Fast

(tightly coupled) — (loosely coupled) (dynamically coupled)

### Asterio Company re-branding

### Infoteria

Information x Cafeteria

# ASTERIA

\* If resolution passes at a shareholder meeting

### Asteria ASTERIA Άστερία





### Asterio New company name

### ASTERIA

Over the next 20 years, not only will we connect information systems for companies, we will also connect the glittering stars across all industries









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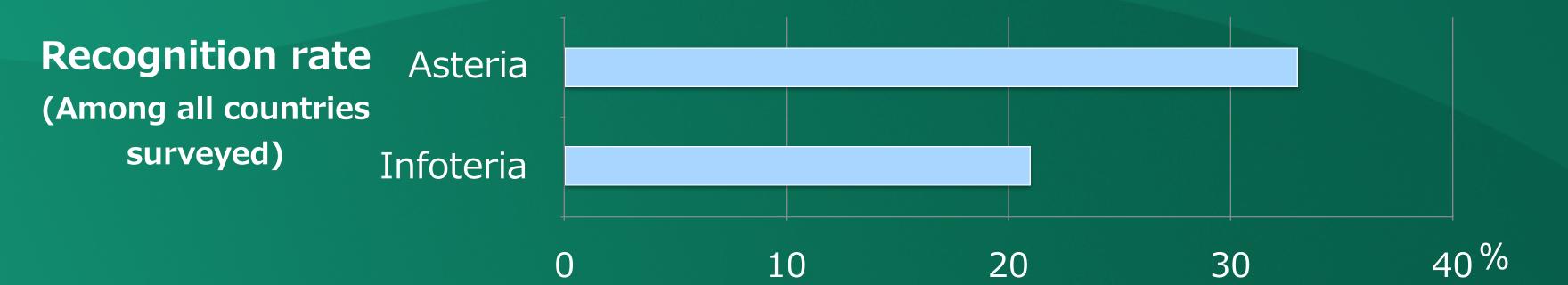
### ASTERIA

#### Global survey

in 7 languages in 7 different countries



- Appropriate in any language?
- ✓ Easy to read and remember?



#### Benefits in Japan

- ✓ Top of the Japanese alphabet
- Less risk of typos in web searches



### Asterio Mid-term Business Plan 2020 — Summary

2020

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While continuing to grow business in Japan

5B JPY

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**★**Operating profit:

While aggressively investing

1B JPY

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- \* Establish 3 new tech labs (product x tech)
- \* 20B JPY M&A investment
- \* ESG management promotion
- Participate in SDGs, establish a global advisory board
- \* Global branding as the ASTERIA Corporation

# Asteria

# Mid-term Business plan 2020

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