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**Mirai Creation Fund II Invests in Unabiz Holdings Pte. Ltd.,
a Proven Massive Internet of Things (IoT) Service Provider**
— Creating impact on a massive scale for smarter cities —

TOKYO—October 12, 2021—SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (SPARX; TSE1: 8739) today announced that its Mirai Creation Fund II—established in July 2018, has executed an investment (the amount is not disclosed) in Unabiz Holdings Pte. Ltd. (Unabiz). Unabiz intends to use this capital to strengthen the scaleup’s foothold in strategic regions such as Japan, South-East Asia and EMEA via local offices and M&A operations, and to sustain the growth trajectory of “UnaConnect”, an industry-changing data platform that bridges the glaring gap between fragmented IoT data collection technologies and enterprise systems.

Portfolio Company Outline

UnaBiz is a proven massive IoT service provider based in Singapore, Taiwan and Japan. The company specialises in sensor product design, manufacturing, and cloud platform services across a hybrid of low-power wide area (LPWA) technologies such as Sigfox, LTE-M, NB-IoT and LoRa, to power business growth.

Having deployed over 1 million sensors globally in 28 countries including Singapore, Japan, Australia and Taiwan, UnaBiz focuses on Smart Cities applications such as Smart Metering, Facilities Management, Asset Management and Asset Tracking.

UnaBiz envisions a closely connected world powered by simple technology because they believe in “Less is More”. The company’s mission is to accelerate data-driven business efficiency for its clients and partners with agility and ingenuity. By uniting people and technology, UnaBiz aims to create an impact on a massive scale, to help every person and every organisation on the planet live smarter, simpler, and in a more sustainable way.

Mirai Creation Fund I and Mirai Creation Fund II Summaries

The Mirai Creation Fund I began operations in November 2015 with financing of JPY 13.5 billion from three companies: Toyota Motor Corporation, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, and SPARX, the Fund’s general partner. Ultimately, the Fund received contributions from 20 companies, including the above three. Casting intelligent technologies, robotics, and hydrogen-economy technologies as core technologies of the future, Fund I has invested in approximately 50 companies and projects—from the US, the UK, Israel, Singapore, and Japan—that possess innovative technologies in these fields. In H2 2018, SPARX began managing the Mirai Creation Fund II, which targets the three existing Mirai Creation fields along with the two additional areas of electrification and new materials. As of September 30, 2021, the combined AUM for Fund I and Fund II were JPY 88.3 billion.

Mirai Creation Fund investment track record: <https://mirai.sparx.co.jp/en/investment/>

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