

Material for briefing the full-year financial results for FY 12/2021

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Executive Summary



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Both net sales and operating income reached the (upwardly revised) earnings forecast.

Results for FY 12/2021

Net sales: 7,801 million yen +41.0 % year on year

Operating income: 546 million yen +202.1 % year on year

Operating income margin: **7.0** % **+3.7** points year on year

Earnings forecast for FY 12/2022

Net sales: 10,400 million yen +33.3 % year on year

Operating income: 852 million yen +56.1 % year on year

Operating income margin: **8.2** % **+1.2** points year on year

Description Output Description

Corporate profile



Corporate name **Core Concept Technologies Inc.** (CCT) **Business** To support client companies in DX and staffing of IT personnel description 11th floor of DaiyaGate Ikebukuro, 1-16-15 Minami-ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, Location Tokyo Representative Takeshi Kaneko, Representative Director/President/CEO **September 17, 2009** Date of establishment **Tokyo Headquarters** 11th floor of DaiyaGate Ikebukuro, 1-16-15 Minami-ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, Tokyo **509,638,000 yen** (as of December 31, 2021) Capital stock Account closing December month **Osaka Office** 3rd floor of Dai-san Nakajima Bldg., 5-11-10 Nishi-Nakajima, **250** (as of December 31, 2021) Yodogawa-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka No. of employees **Fukuoka Office** Across Cube Hakataeki-mae, 3-4-25 Hakataeki-mae, Hakata-ku, Office locations Tokyo (headquarters), Osaka, and Fukuoka Fukuoka-shi. Fukuoka



Mission

To create the next-generation IT industry

Vision

Right AI, Right DX.

In order to support and promote true digital transformation (DX) among clients and secure business competitiveness in the AI era to come, we will fulfill our valuable roles. (Right AI, Right DX.) Under this management vision, we are operating business with the aim of becoming an IT vendor for offering new values.

Course of Action

Think Big, Act Together.

Our course of action is composed of the following:

- (1) Out-of-the-box, freewheeling thinking (Think Big), and
- (2) Cooperatively taking action while envisioning ideal business activities from the standpoint of customers (Act Together).

Business description



Our core business is to support DX and staff IT personnel.

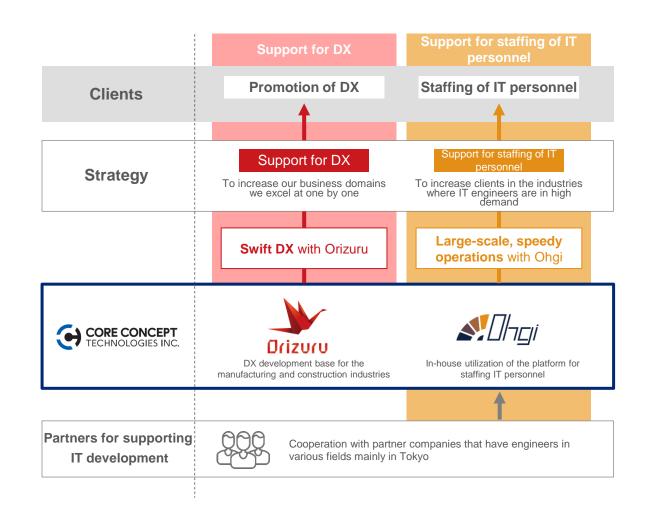
Support for DX

We support client companies in DX, based on "CCT-DX Method," which is CCT's original method for supporting DX, and "Orizuru," a DX development base and an IoT/AI solution for streamlining the establishment and operation of systems.

We provide hands-on support for clients in all processes, including the envisioning of an ideal state after DX, the verification of technologies, the development, operation, and maintenance of systems, and in-house DX.

Support for staffing of IT personnel

By utilizing the know-how for implementing projects and managing teams, broad partnership for supporting IT development, and the capability of staffing IT personnel with "Ohgi," which is a platform for staffing personnel, we support some functions of the HR sections, procurement sections, and project managers of various companies, leading system integrators, consulting firms, etc. on a one-stop basis.





We have supported clients in a broad range of fields, mainly the manufacturing and construction fields.

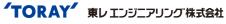






Support for DX













Support for staffing of IT personnel







Simplex Inc.











^{*}Existing clients account for over 80% of sales. Repeat orders from existing clients shore up steady growth.



Characteristics of our company



Support for all processes of DX, including the envisioning of an ideal state, system development, and in-house DX

- Employees and corporate organizations that possess the skills to reform business operations (consultation) and advanced IT technologies (AI)
 (By improving the strengths of the members who founded our company through recruitment and training, we organized a team of engineers who are versed in on-site operations in the manufacturing and construction fields and possess consulting skills.)
- "CCT-DX Method," a unique method for hands-on support for all processes of DX
- To customize and actualize DX swiftly at low cost based on "Orizuru," which is equipped with standard functions

Business base that facilitates stable, significant growth and financial resilience

- Stable orders from leading system integrators
- Business leverage utilizing the network of partners for supporting IT development and financial resilience based on control of outsourcing expenses when the business environment worsens
- Business operation in the DX market and the IT personnel market, which are expected to grow

2 Earnings Report



✓ Sales and profit grew considerably year on year (net sales: +41.0%; operating income: +202.1%)

*In 4Q, we posted a provision for year-end bonus (to be provided in March 2022) in SG&A.

Unit: million yen

	Full year for 2020	Full year for 2021
Net sales	5,534	7,801
Outsourcing expenses	3,068	4,561
Personnel expenses	1,098	1,235
Other costs	248	206
Gross margin	1,119	1,797
SG&A	938	1,250
Operating income	180	546
Ordinary income	188	546
Net income	124	410
Gross profit margin	20.2%	23.0%
Operating income margin	3.3%	7.0%
Outsourcing expense rate	55.4%	58.5%

Change	% Change	Forecast (After revision on Mar. 12)	Progress rate
+2,266	+41.0%	7,650	102.0%
+1,492	+48.6%	-	-
+136	+12.5%	-	-
(41)	(16.7%)	-	-
+677	+60.6%	-	-
+312	+33.3%		
+365	+202.1%	535	102.2%
+357	+189.7%	535	102.2%
+285	+228.8%	368	111.5%
+2.8 _P	-	-	-
+3.7P	-	7.0%	-
+3.0 _P	-	-	-



✓ Both support for DX and support for staffing of IT personnel saw significant growth of sales and profit.

Unit: million yen

	Full year for 2020	Full year for 2021
Net sales	5,534	7,801
Support for DX	2,747	3,503
Support for staffing of IT personnel	2,786	4,297
Gross margin	1,119	1,797
Support for DX	765	1,201
Support for staffing of IT personnel	354	595
Gross profit margin	20.2%	23.0%
Support for DX	27.8%	34.3%
Support for staffing of IT personnel	12.7%	13.9%

Change	% Change	
+2,266	+41.0%	
+755	+27.5%	
+1,510	+54.2%	
+678	+60.6%	
+436	+57.0%	
+241	+68.1%	
+2.8P	-	
+6.5P	-	
+1.1P	-	

Financial highlight



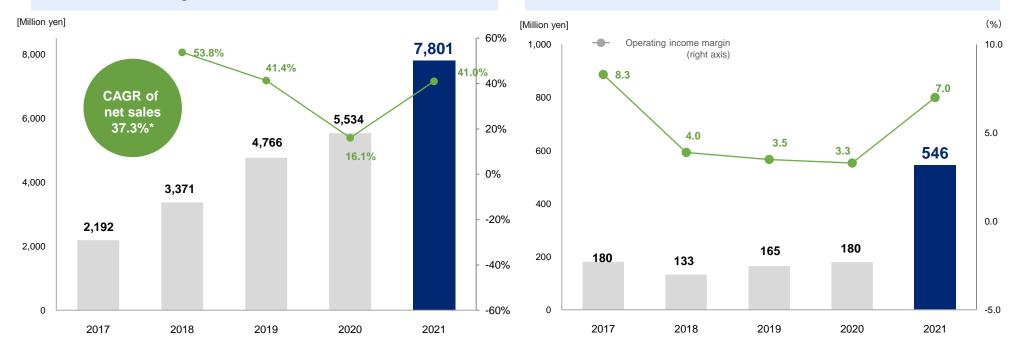
✓ The top line kept growing significantly, and we entered the profit growth stage in FY 12/2021.

Variations in net sales and sales growth

- In FY 12/2020, growth rate declined, due to the delay in order receipt and the postponement of project delivery due to the novel coronavirus pandemic.
- The impact of the novel coronavirus pandemic is lingering in FY 12/2021, but growth rate has recovered.

Variations in operating income and its margin

- We invested for growth from FY 12/2018 to FY 12/2020.
 We prioritized active recruitment and office relocation.
- Profit grew from FY 12/2021.



*From FY 12/2017 to FY 12/2021

Financial highlight



Variation in quarterly net sales

- FY 12/2020 saw a decline in performance in 2Q and 3Q amid the novel coronavirus pandemic, but the performance recovered in FY 12/2021, showing healthy sales in 3Q and 4Q.
- Sales grew in both support for DX and support for staffing of IT personnel. In FY 12/2021, support for staffing of IT personnel grew steeply.

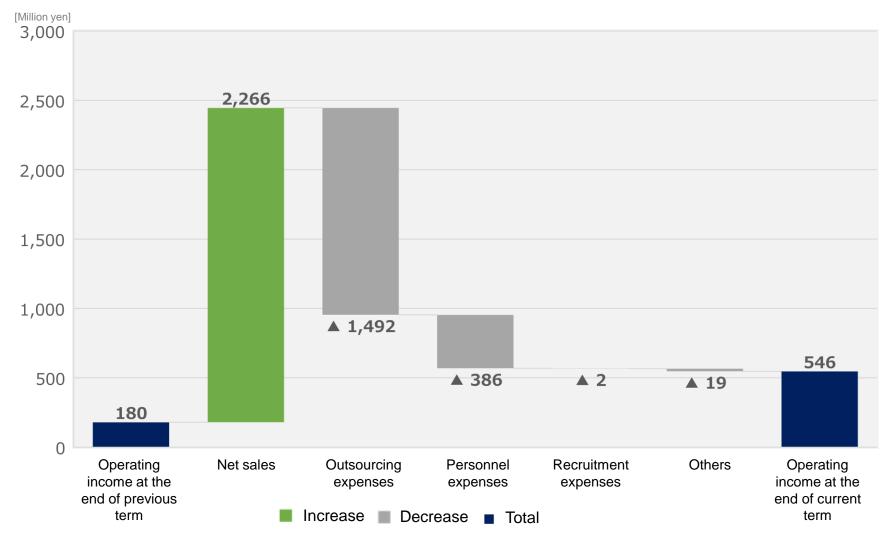


Support for DX Support for staffing of IT personnel

Factors in increase/decrease of operating income

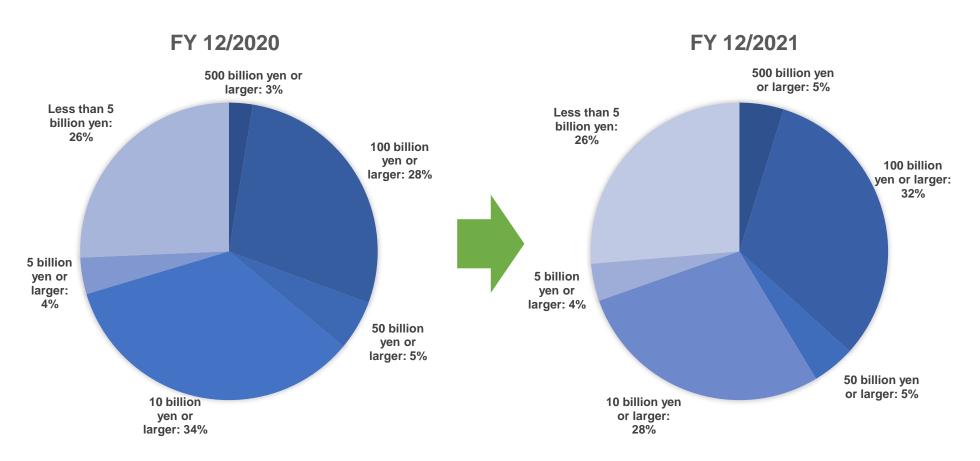


✓ Thanks to the growth in net sales, operating income rose considerably by 366 million yen or 202.1% from the previous term.



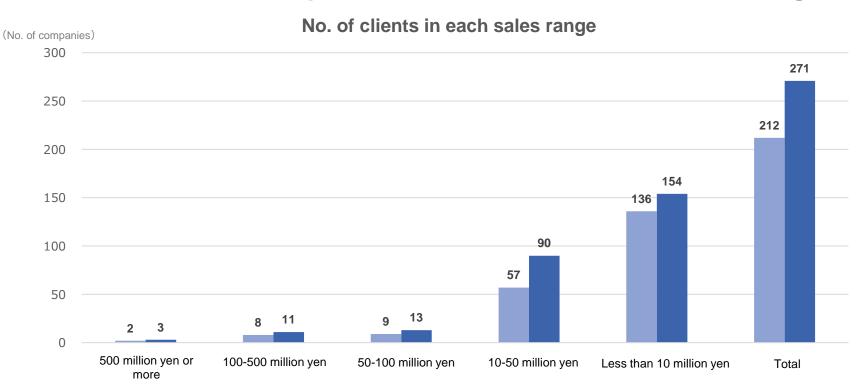


✓ Increased transactions with large companies by actively giving proposals based on a track record of DX support.





✓ As we increased continuous transactions with existing clients, the number of clients who spend a lot on our services is increasing.



FY 12/2020FY 12/2021



Cash & deposits and equity capital increased considerably due to the capital increase through listing.

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Unit:	millio	on yen
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	End of FY 12/2020	End of FY 12/2021
Current assets	1,488	3,031
Cash & deposits	307	1,341
Fixed assets	696	741
Total assets	2,184	3,773
Current liabilities	1,218	1,617
Fixed liabilities	249	194
Net assets	716	1,961
Total liabilities and net assets	2,184	3,773
Equity capital ratio	32.7%	52.0%

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(55)
+1,245
+1,589
+19.2₽

Major factor in increase/decrease		
+822 due to the capital increase at the time of listing		
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Earnings Forecast



Earnings forecast for FY 12/2022



External environment

- The economic outlook still remains uncertain, due to the impact of the spread of the new variant of the novel coronavirus on the Japanese economy, etc.
- The demand for DX-related investment and IT staffing is growing.

Major activities

- Support for DX: In the manufacturing field, we promoted sales toward new clients. In the construction field, orders from super general contractors, with which we started transactions, increased.
- Support for staffing of IT personnel: Transactions with existing leading system integrators increased steadily, and new clients increased.
- We concentrated on the recruitment of employees, particularly of managers, to enhance management and delivery systems (recruitment expenses: 47 million yen in 2021 → 200 million yen forecasted in 2022)

Unit: million yen

	2021 result	2022 forecast
Net sales	7,801	10,400
Gross margin	1,797	2,464
Operating income	546	852
Ordinary income	546	868
Net income	410	602
Gross profit margin	23.0%	23.7%
Operating income margin	7.0%	8.2%

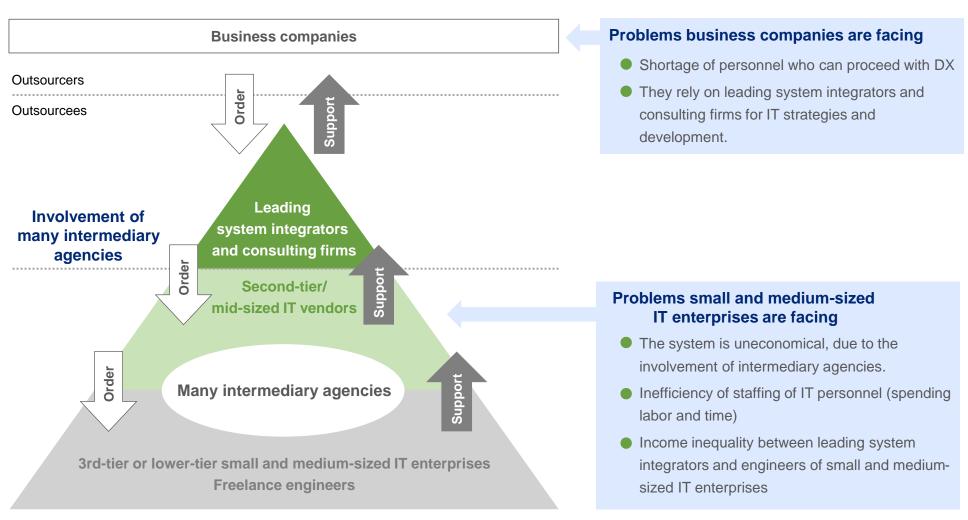
Change	% Change		
+2,598	+33.3%		
+667	+37.2%		
+306	+56.1%		
+322	+59.1%		
+191	+46.7%		
+0.7% -			
+1.2% -			

5 Growth Strategy





It is difficult for business companies to conduct DX by themselves. The involvement of many intermediary agencies makes each project uneconomical.



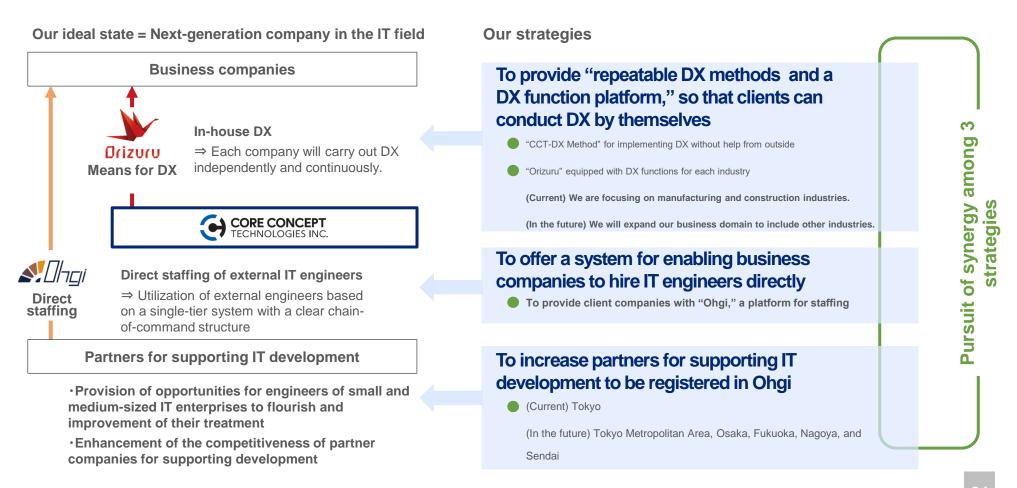


Our ideal state and strategies



So that business companies can implement DX by themselves, we will provide "repeatable DX methods and a DX function platform."

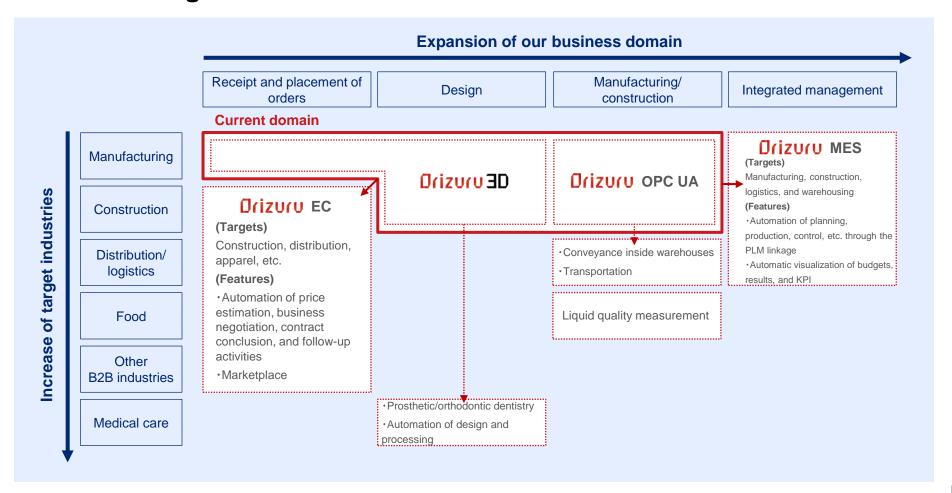
We will offer a system for enabling business companies to hire external IT engineers directly, to skip intermediary agencies.







To expand the DX support domain by enhancing the functions of "Orizuru" To conduct business also in industries that have a high affinity for the manufacturing and construction industries

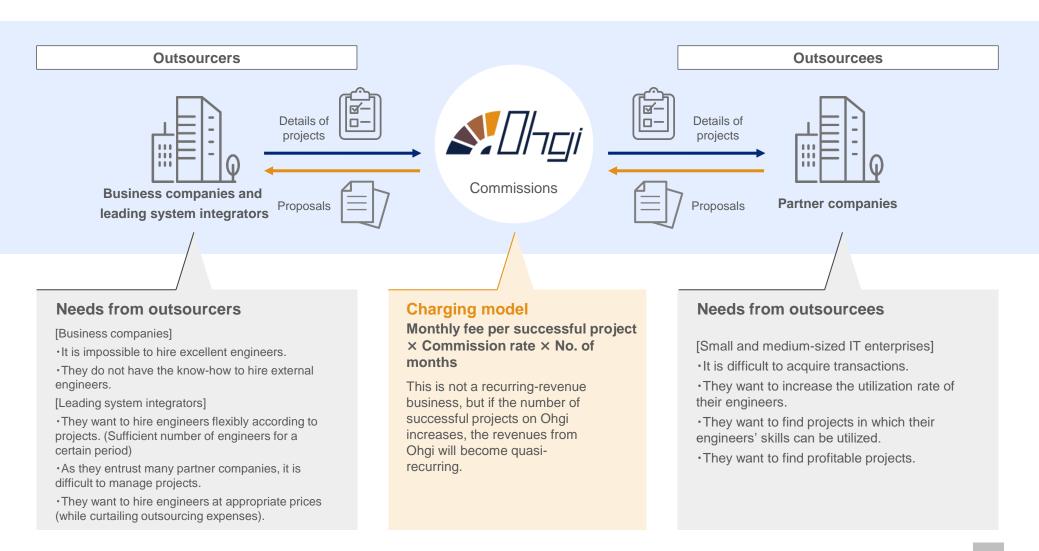




Our strategy: To establish a platform with Ohgi



We aim to establish a platform by providing "Ohgi" with client companies.



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6 Appendix

-Introduction of our business-

[Support for DX] Market scale: Scale of the DX market and the business domain of our company



The investment in DX is expected to grow considerably.

We will expand our DX support business domain in the fields of traffic/transportation, distribution, and medical care, which have a high affinity for the manufacturing and construction fields.

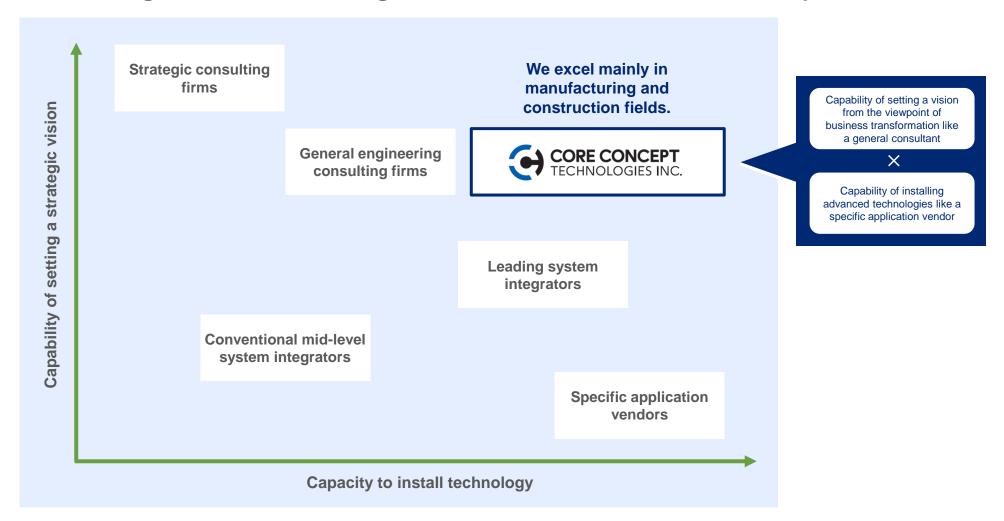
Industries/business fields	2020 [100 million yen]	Forecast for FY 2030 [100 million yen]	Growth from FY 2020 [times]	
Traffic/ transportation	2,780	12,740	4.5	← Future priority field
Finance	1,887	6,211	3.2	
Manufacturing	1,620	5,450	3.3	Current priority field
Distribution/Retail	441	2,455	5.5	← Future priority field
Medical care/ nursing care	731		2.8	
Real estate	220	970	4.4	
Municipalities	409	4,900	11.9	
Sales and marketing	1,564	4,500	2.8	
Customer services	410	802	1.9	
Others	3,759	11,814	3.1	
	13,821	51,957	3.7	

^{*}Source: Future Outlook for the Digital Transformation Market in 2022 produced by Fuji Chimera Research Institute, Inc. on January 13, 2022

[Support for DX] Position of our company in the field of DX support for the manufacturing and construction industries



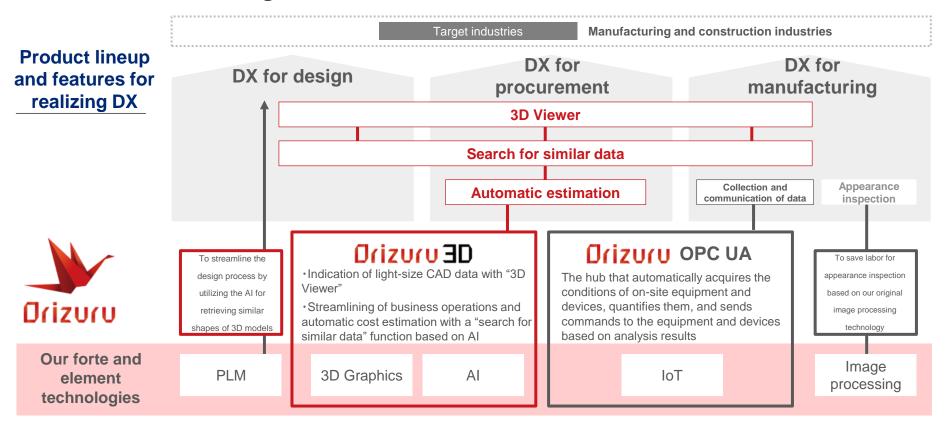
In the field of DX support for the manufacturing and construction industries, we offer high added value as a general consultant and a technical expert.



[Support for DX] Characteristics of Orizuru



To actualize DX swiftly at low cost by utilizing "Orizuru," a development base for DX in the manufacturing and construction industries



^{*}PLM: Abbreviation of "Product Lifecycle Management." It means summarizing a variety of technological information on the entire product lifecycle, and using it for improving the capability of developing products and corporate competitiveness.

CAD: Abbreviation of "Computer Aided Design." It is a tool for supporting design and drawing with a computer.

³D Graphics: A method of producing a 3D image on a plane by using 3D data with height, width, and depth.

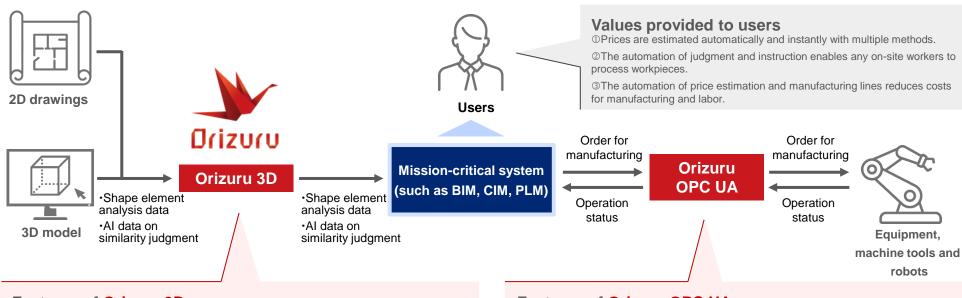
Al: Abbreviation of "Artificial Intelligence." Technology for conducting intellectual activities, such as identification, inference, and problem solving, on behalf of human beings.

loT: Abbreviation of "Internet of Thing." It means linking the Internet with things that have been offline so far.

[Support for DX] Characteristics of Orizuru 3D and Orizuru OPC UA



Key technology for linking digital design data to manufacturing systems seamlessly



Features of Orizuru 3D

Unique feature: By extracting shape characteristics from 3D models and 2D drawings with multiple methods, it is possible to retrieve previous cases and estimate prices through various approaches.

- ①To automate the process of estimating prices by summing up the costs for respective shape elements
- ©To automate the process of estimating prices by referring to similar products manufactured in the past based on AI for similarity judgment
- To estimate prices with AI for similarity judgment and past data
- To extract parameters, such as dimensions and tolerances, from design data

Features of Orizuru OPC UA

Unique feature: It is compatible with the common IF standard "UMATI" for equipment and machine tools, and has a broad range of application which enables communication with a variety of equipment and machine tools.

- ①Real-time communication function with equipment, machine tools, robots,
- ②Remote control mechanism for automating equipment, machine tools, and robots

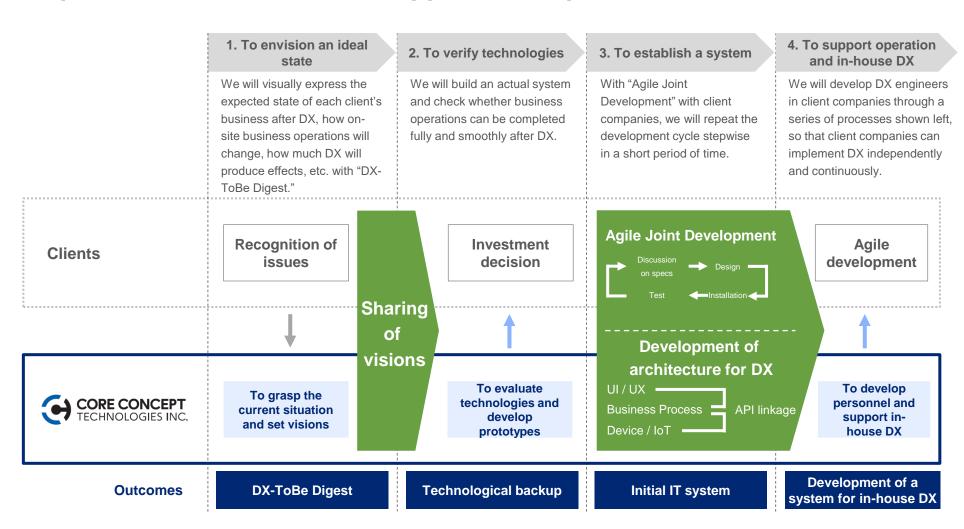
BIM/CIM: To reproduce a 3D model of an actual structure in a computer, put together a variety of technical information throughout the lifecycle of a building or structure, link it to the engineering chain, streamline and sophisticate construction and civil engineering works, and enhance corporate competitiveness. BIM is for construction, while CIM is for civil engineering, but the management of 3D models of buildings, landforms, etc. is collectively called "BIM/CIM."

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[Support for DX] Characteristics of CCT-DX Method



Unique method for hands-on support for all processes of DX

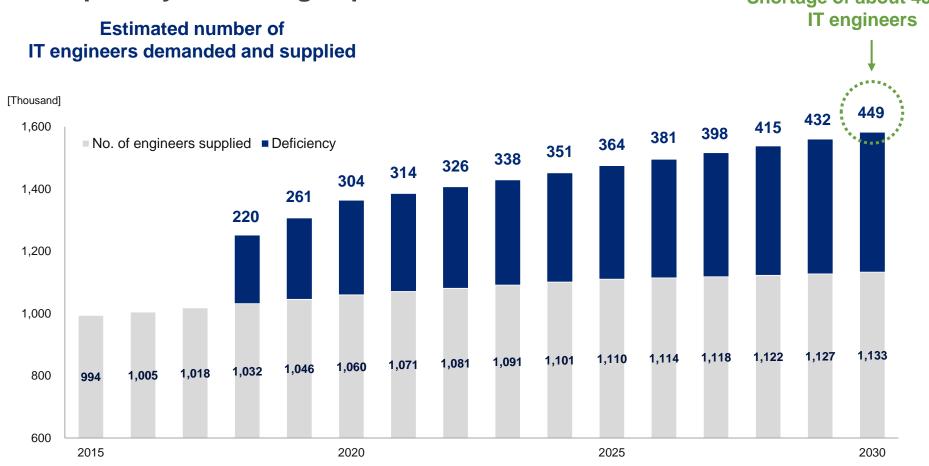


[Support for staffing of IT personnel] Market scale



We are entering the age in which business competitiveness is determined by the capability of staffing IT personnel.

Shortage of about 450,000

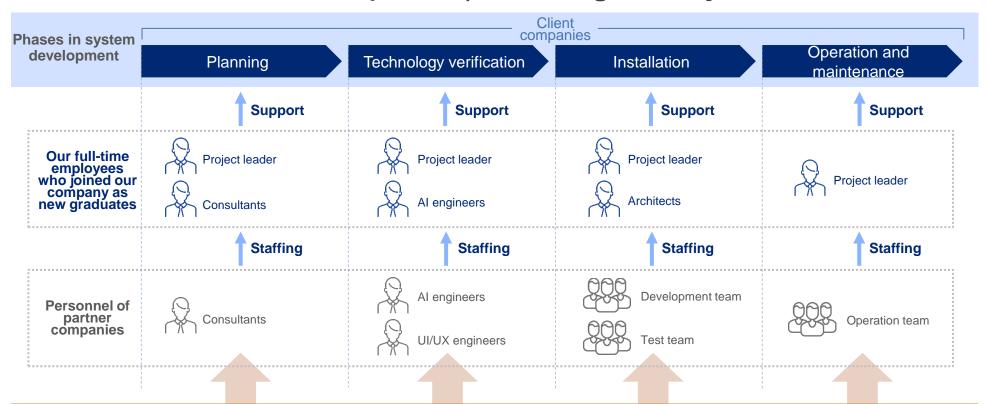


^{*}Source: Survey on the Demand and Supply of IT Personnel produced by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry in April 2019

[Support for staffing of IT personnel] Capability of staffing personnel by utilizing Ohgi



To meet the needs for personnel demanded in each phase (processes, jobs, the number of workers, and periods) with "Ohgi" swiftly



Platform for staffing IT personnel



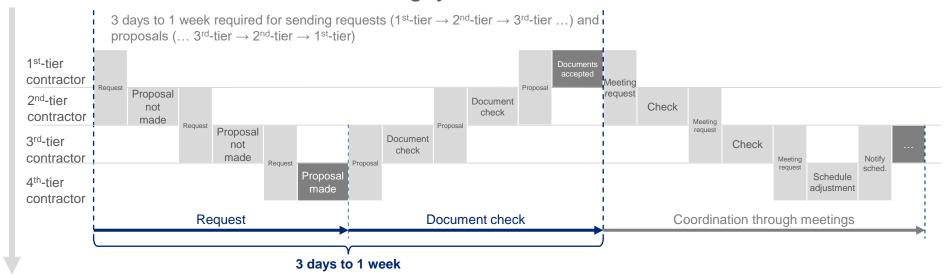
Ohgi is a platform for matching projects with IT personnel belonging to our partner companies for supporting development. Our company uses it for supporting clients in staffing personnel.

[Support for staffing of IT personnel] Value of Ohgi



By reducing the time for allocating staff to each project considerably, it is possible to swiftly give a proposal to each client company.

Workflow in the conventional multi-outsourcing system



Matching process with Ohgi To reduce the "matching" time, which takes 3 days to 1 week with Ohgi Partners To reduce the "matching" time, which takes 3 days to 1 week with the conventional method, by 99%

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