

Financial results for Q1 of FY 12/2022

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1 Executive Summary



Sales and profit grew considerably year on year.

	Net sales:	2,754 million yen	+62.7 % year on year
Results for Q1 of FY 12/2022	Operating income:	406 million yen	+167.3 % year on year
	Operating income margin:	14.8 %	+5.8 points year on year

2 Earnings Report



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(net sales: +62.7%; operating income: +167.3%)

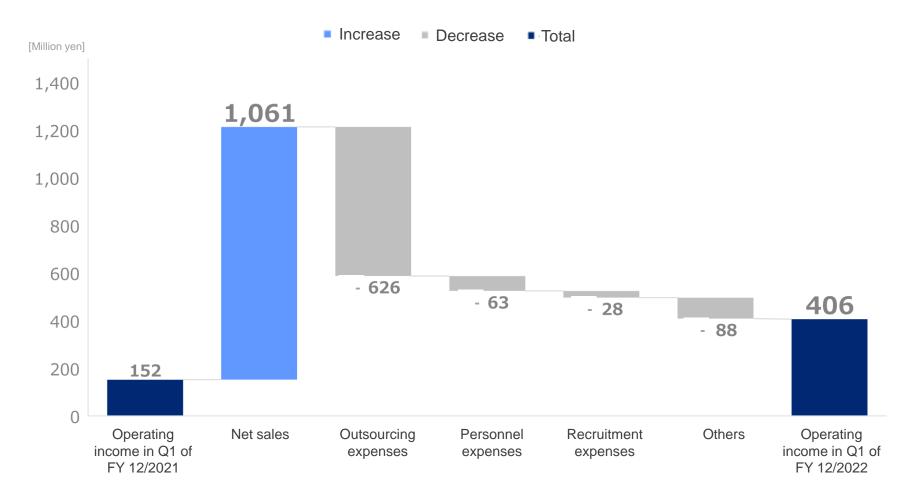
Unit: million yen

	Q1 of FY 12/2021	Q1 of FY 12/2022
Net sales	1,693	2,754
Outsourcing expenses	952	1,579
Personnel expenses	290	349
Other costs	61	108
Gross margin	389	717
SG&A	236	310
Operating income	152	406
Ordinary income	165	430
Net income	111	314
Gross profit margin	23.0%	26.0%
Operating income margin	9.0%	14.8%
Outsourcing expense rate	56.3%	57.3%

Change	% Change		Forecast	Progress rate
+1,061	+62.7%		10,400	26.5%
+626	+65.8%		-	-
+59	+20.3%		-	-
+47	+77.7%		-	-
+328	+84.3%		-	-
+73	+31.0%		-	-
+254	+167.3%		852	47.7%
+264	+159.9%		868	49.5%
+203	+181.6%		602	52.3%
+3.1 _P	-		-	-
+5.8 P	-	_	8.2%	-
+1.1 _P	-		-	-



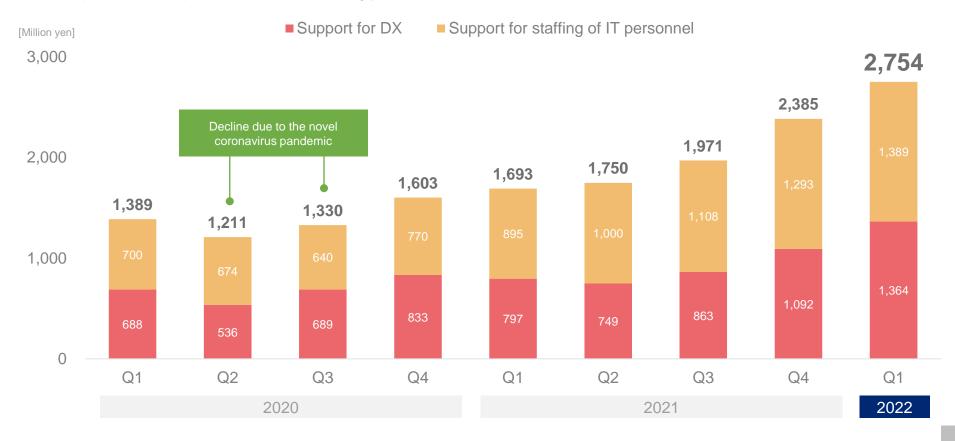
Thanks to the growth in net sales, operating income rose considerably by 254 million yen or 167.3% year on year.





Sales are expected to remain flat from Q1 to Q2, and increase from Q3 to Q4.

- In Q1 of FY 12/2022, sales of both support for DX and support for staffing of IT personnel increased YoY.
- FY 12/2020 saw a decline in performance in Q2 and Q3 amid the novel coronavirus pandemic, but the performance recovered in FY 12/2021, showing healthy sales in Q3 and Q4.
- Many customers close their accounts in March, and the sales growth in Q2 tends to be smaller than that in Q1 due to an increase of inspections from April to March of the following year.

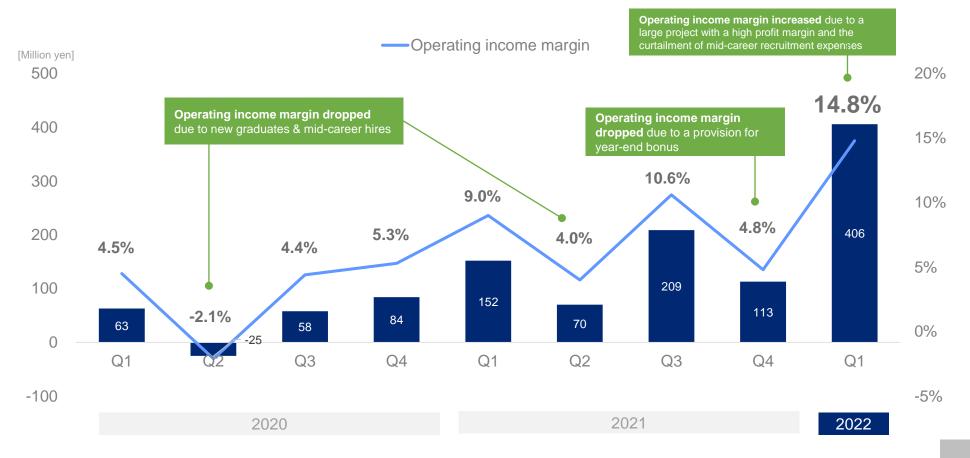


Variation in quarterly operating income



Operating income margin tends to be high in 1Q and Q3 and low in Q2 and Q4.

- In Q1 of FY 12/2022, operating income margin was as high as 14.8% owing to a large project with a high profit margin and the impact of an increase in personnel and recruitment expenses associated with mid-career hires that were pushed back to Q2.
- Since a lot of new graduates join our company in April, personnel expenses tend to increase significantly in Q2, resulting in a low operating income margin for that period.
- If a provision for year-end bonus is posted in Q4, it will cause operating income margin to decline.





We concentrate on recruitment activities, and the number of employees is steadily increasing.





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

Unit: million yen

	Q1 of FY 12/2021	Q1 of FY 12/2022
Net sales	1,693	2,754
Support for DX	797	1 ,364
Support for staffing of IT personnel	895	1,389
Gross margin	389	717
Support for DX	277	506
Support for staffing of IT personnel	111	210
Gross profit margin	23.0%	26.6%
Support for DX	34.8%	37.1%
Support for staffing of IT personnel	12.5%	15.2%
Backlog of orders	1,445	2,226
Support for DX	688	1,296
Support for staffing of IT personnel	756	929

Change	% Change
+1,061	+62.7%
+567	+71.1%
+494	+55.2%
+328	+84.3%
+228	+82.6%
+99	+88.7%
+3.1P	-
+2.3P	-
+2.7P	-
+780	+54.0%
+607	+88.2%
+172	+22.9%



Top line continued to grow at a high rate and operating income margin also increased.

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 was lingering in FY 12/2021, but growth rate was recovered.
- In Q1 of FY 12/2022, results were on track to achieve the plan.

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.



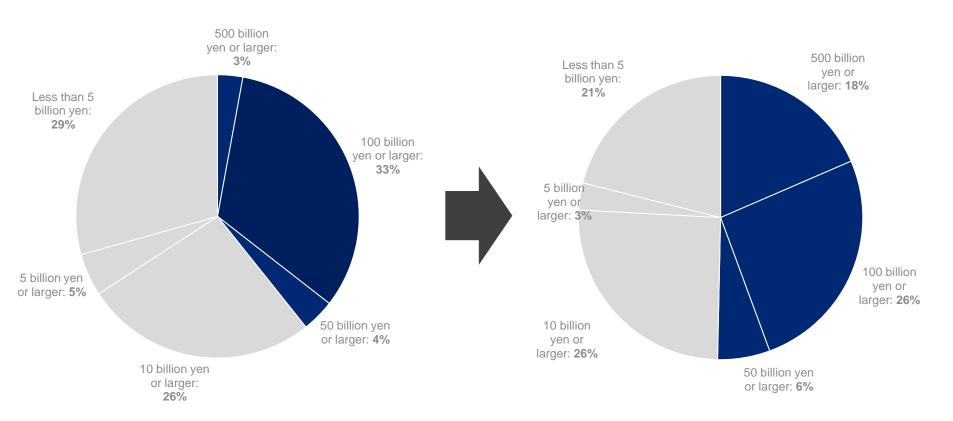
^{*}From FY 12/2017 to FY 12/2021



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

Q1 of FY 12/2021 cumulative

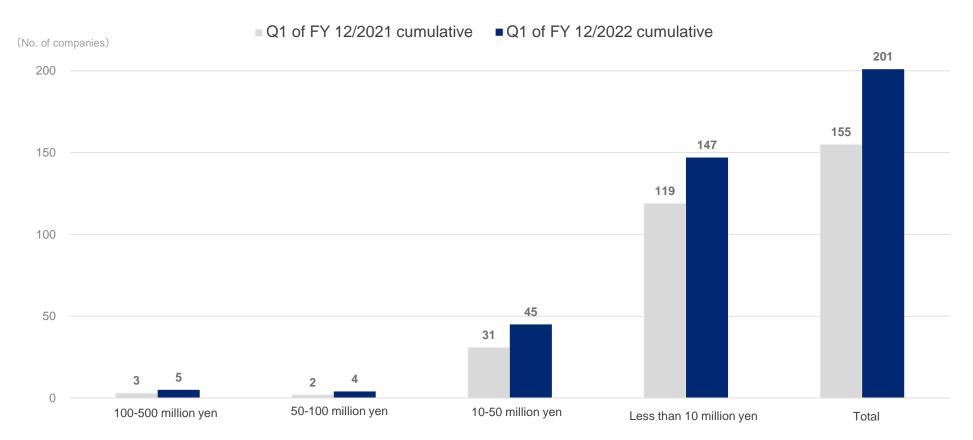
Q1 of FY 12/2022 cumulative





As we increased continuous transactions with existing clients, the number of clients with high spend on our services is increasing.

No. of clients in each sales range





Retained earnings increased thanks to strong performance, resulting in higher equity capital ratio.

Unit: million yen

	End of FY 12/2021	Q1 of FY 12/2022
Current assets	3,031	3,199
Cash & deposits	1,341	1,148
Fixed assets	741	746
Total assets	3,773	3,945
Current liabilities	1,617	1,488
Fixed liabilities	194	180
Net assets	1,961	2,276
Total liabilities and net assets	3,773	3,945
Equity capital ratio	52.0%	57.7%

Change	
+167	
(193)	
+4	
+172	
(129)	
(13)	
+314	
+172	
+5.7 ₽	

Major factor in increase/decrease
Decrease mainly due to bonus payment and tax payment in March
Due to increase in retained earnings

3 Growth Strategy

Our strategy: Summary



Domain	Strategies	Concrete measures		
Support for DX	Introduction of usage fee income (Recurring-revenue business)	Orizuru EC	Orizuru MES	
(Orizuru)	Expansion of our industrial areas	Logistics and warehousing	Medical care (dental technique)	Chemical & food
Support for	Expansion of our customer base and areas	Expansion of transactions with leading system integrators	Business development in local areas	
staffing of IT personnel	Improvement in convenience (Ohgi)	IT personnel supply and demand heat map	High-precision matching by Al	Billing and payment management
Partner companies for supporting development	Area expansion	Osaka and Fukuoka	Nagoya and Sendai	Other local cities
M&A and	Securing of resources	Small and medium-sized IT	Γenterprises and Al ventures	
alliances	Expansion of our industrial areas	IT companies with strengtl areas for support for DX	ns in areas consistent with th	e expansion of industry

Market scale: Scale of the DX market and the business domain of our company



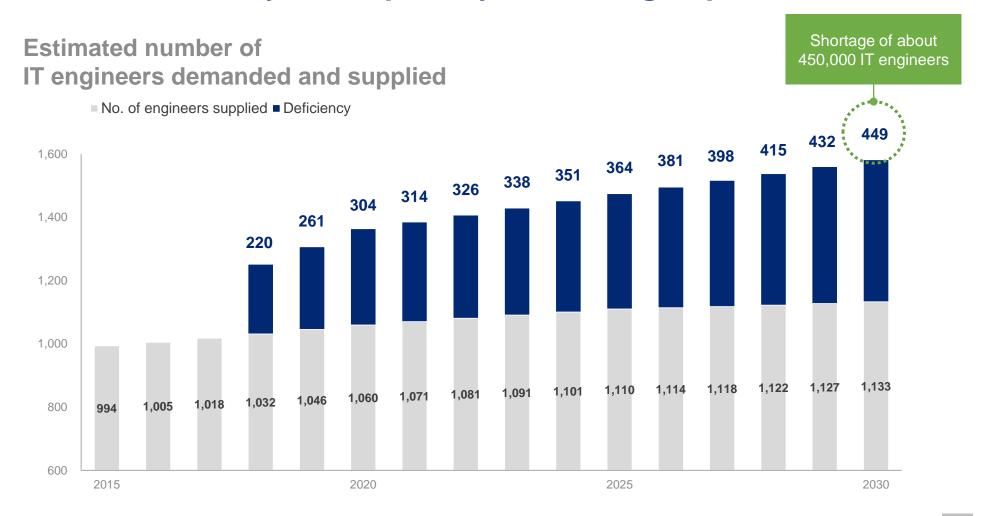
The investment in DX is expected to grow considerably.

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		3.3	
Distribution/Retail	441	2,455	5.5	← Future priority field
Medical care/ nursing care	731	2,115	2.8	← Future priority field
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	



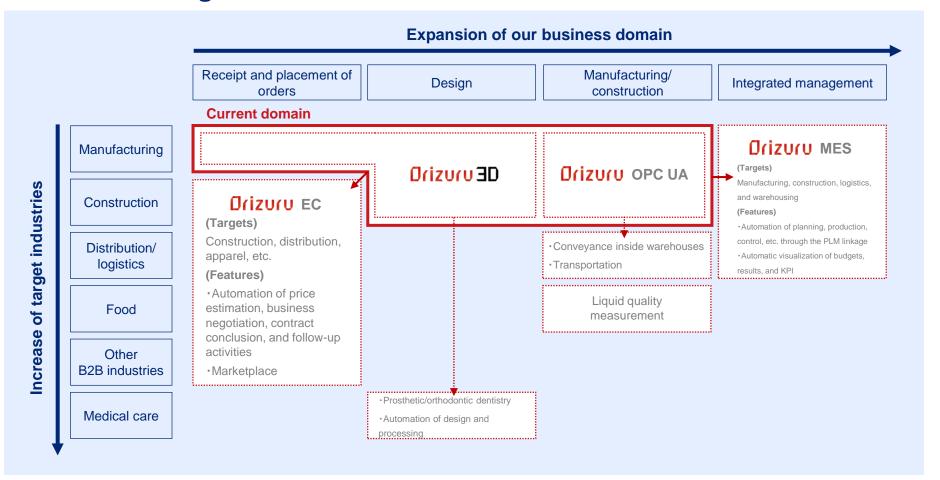
We are entering the age in which business competitiveness is determined by the capability of staffing IT personnel.





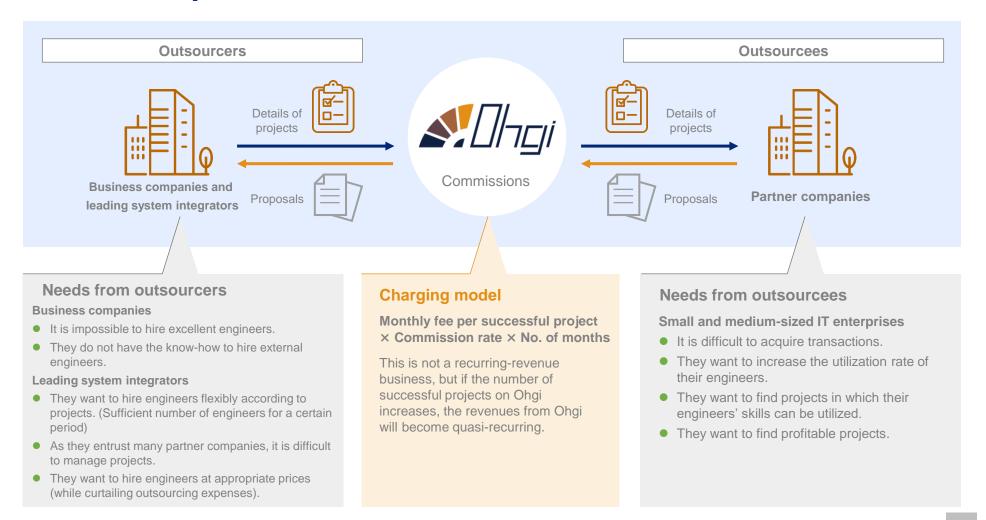
To expand the DX support domain by enhancing the functions of "Orizuru"

To conduct business also in industries that have a high affinity for the manufacturing and construction industries



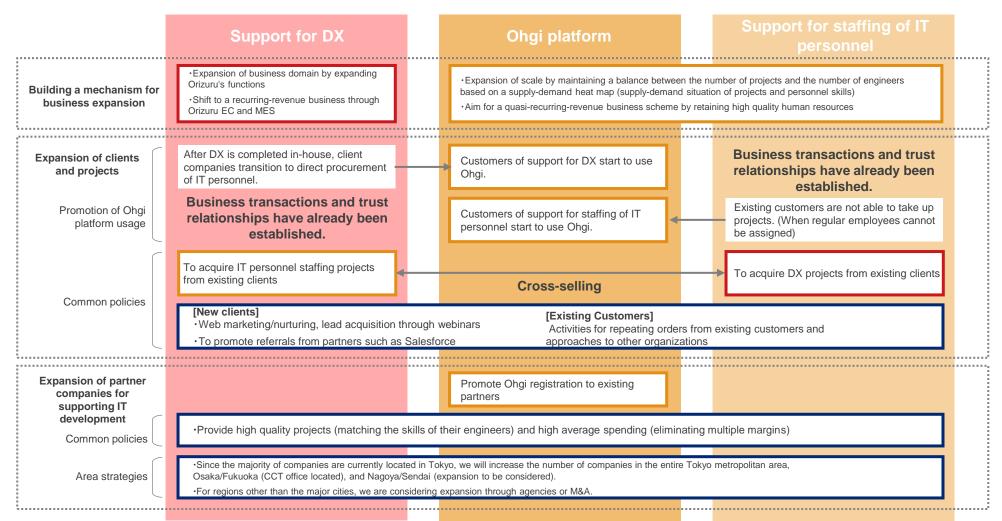


We aim to establish a platform by providing "Ohgi" with client companies.





Synergy among support for DX, the Ohgi platform, and support for staffing of IT personnel



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Account closing

No. of employees

Office locations

month

December

290 (as of April 1, 2022)

Corporate profile



Corporate name **Core Concept Technologies Inc. (CCT)** Business To support client companies in DX and staffing of IT personnel description Location 11th floor of DaiyaGate Ikebukuro, 1-16-15 Minami-ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, 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 Capital stock **509,638,000 yen** (as of March 31, 2022)

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Mission

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.

Action Guideline

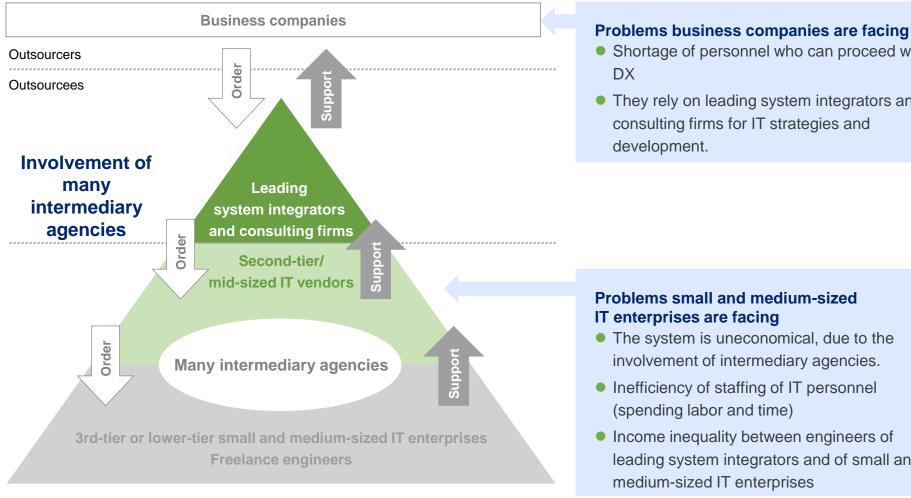
Think Big, Act Together.

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).



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



Shortage of personnel who can proceed with

- They rely on leading system integrators and consulting firms for IT strategies and

Problems small and medium-sized IT enterprises are facing

- The system is uneconomical, due to the involvement of intermediary agencies.
- Inefficiency of staffing of IT personnel (spending labor and time)
- Income inequality between engineers of leading system integrators and of small and medium-sized IT enterprises



So that business companies can realize "in-house DX," we will provide "reproducible DX methods and the DX function platform ("Orizuru")."

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



Business companies



In-house DX

⇒ Each company will carry out DX independently and continuously.





Direct staffing of external IT personnel

⇒ Utilization of external engineers based on a single-tier system with a clear chainof-command structure

Partners for supporting IT development

- •Provision of opportunities for engineers of small and medium-sized IT enterprises to flourish and improvement of their working environment
- •Enhancement of the competitiveness of partner companies for supporting development

Our strategies

To provide "reproducible DX methods and a DX function platform," so that clients can conduct DX by themselves

- "CCT-DX Method" for implementing DX without help from outside
- "Orizuru" equipped with DX functions for each industry
- (Current) We are focusing on manufacturing and construction industries.
- (In the future) We will expand our business domain to include other industries.

To offer a system for enabling business companies to hire IT engineers directly

To provide client companies with "Ohgi," a platform for staffing

To increase partners for supporting IT development to be registered in Ohgi

(Current) Tokyo

(In the future) Tokyo Metropolitan Area, Osaka, Fukuoka, Nagoya, and Sendai

Pursuit of synergy among strategies

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

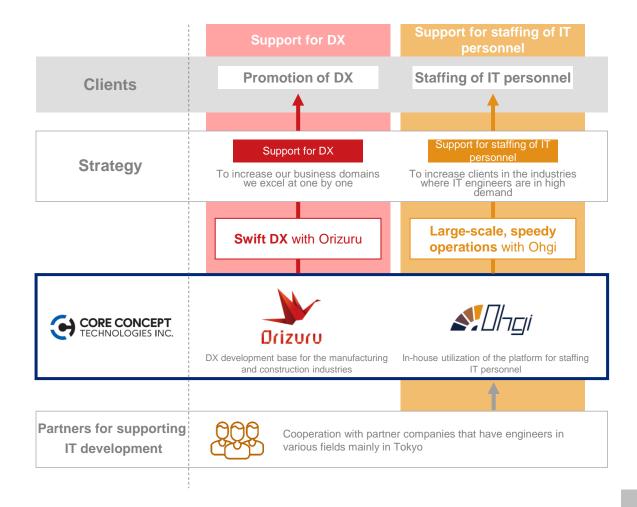
Support for DX

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.

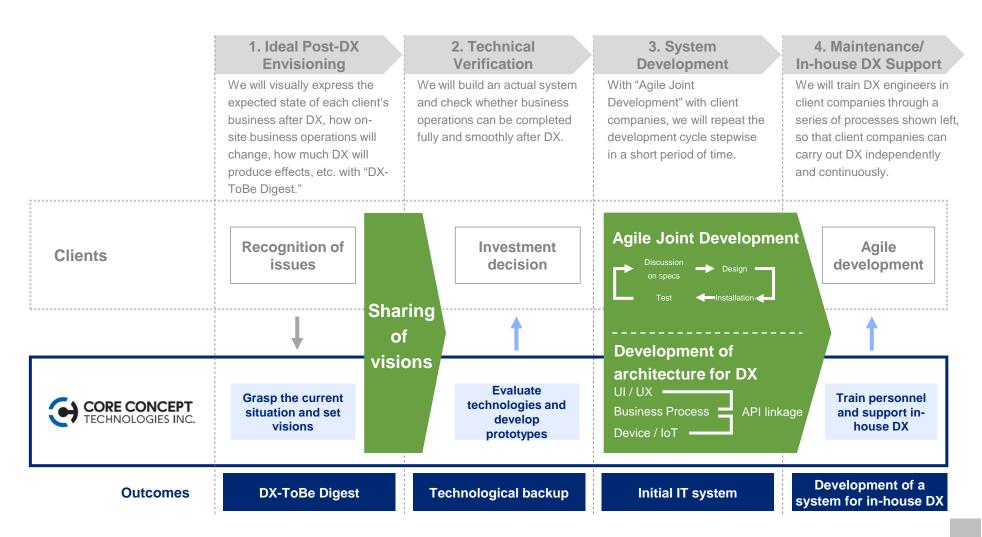
Support for staffing of IT personnel

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.



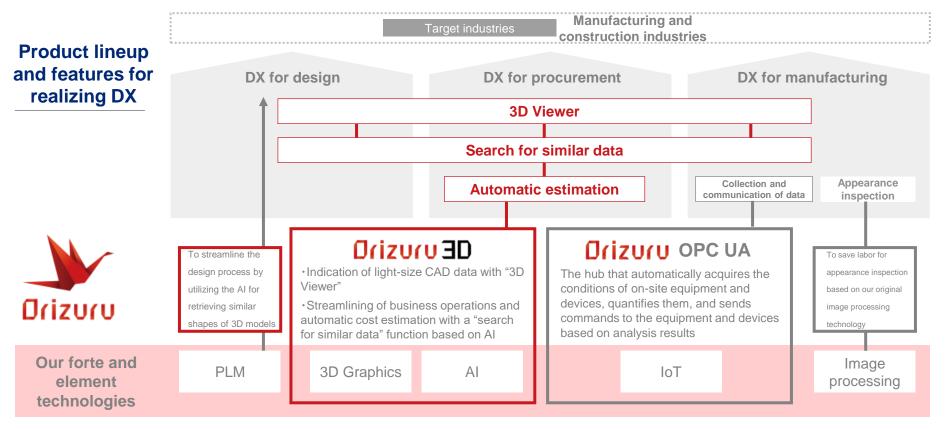


Unique method for hands-on support for all processes of DX





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.

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

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

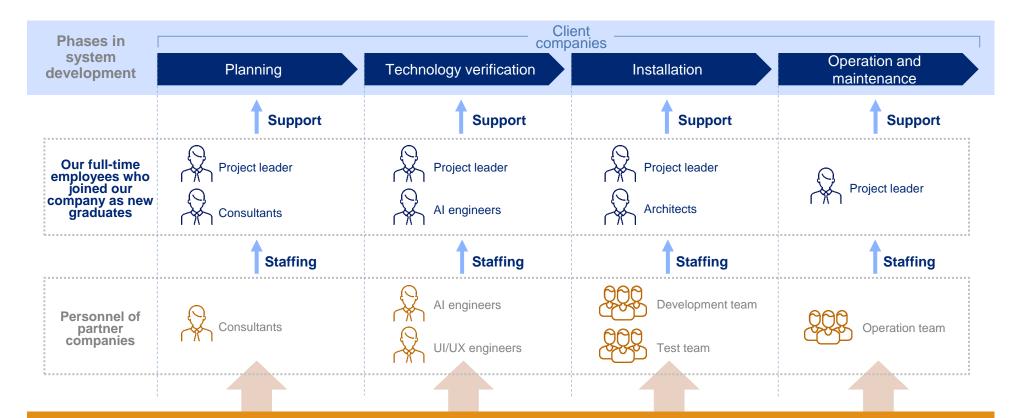
CAD: Abbreviation of "Computer Aided Design." It is a tool for supporting design and drawing with a computer.

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

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

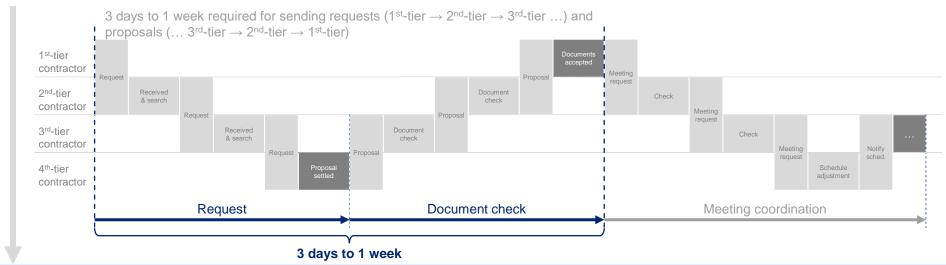


"Ohgi " is a platform for matching projects with IT personnel belonging to our partner companies for supporting development. Our company uses it for supporting clients in staffing personnel.

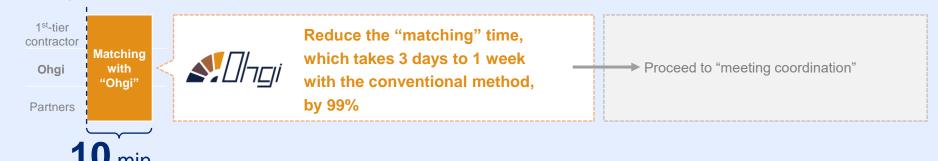


By reducing the time for allocating staff to each project considerably, it is possible to swiftly give a proposal to each client company.

Workflow in the conventional multi-outsourcing system



Matching process with "Ohgi"





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













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Support for staffing of IT personnel

Support for DX



















^{*}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)
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 - (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

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