NEC Innovation Day 2023

Driving NEC's Next Growth Research and Development of advanced technologies and creation of new businesses

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Orchestrating a brighter world

NEC creates the social values of safety, security, fairness and efficiency to promote a more sustainable world where everyone has the chance to reach their full potential.

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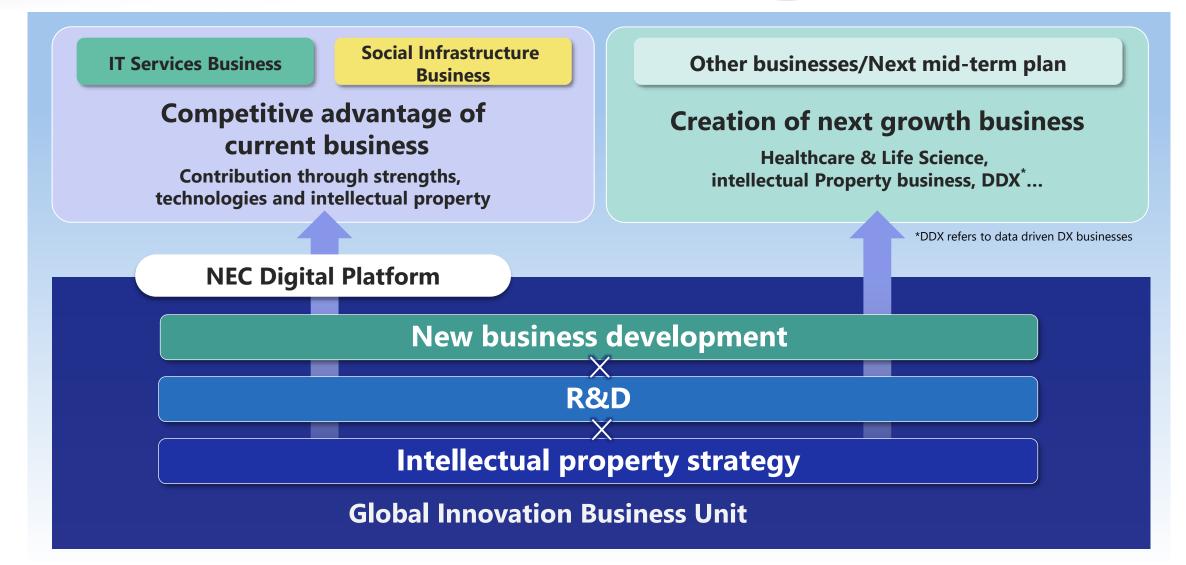
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NEC's innovation creation scheme

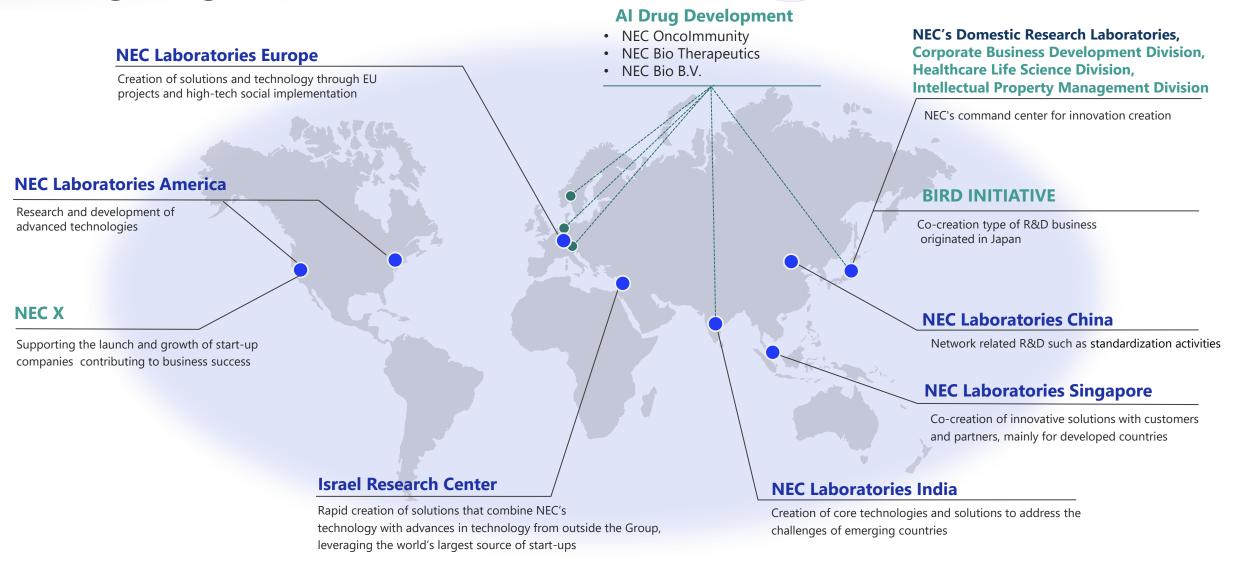
NEC Organizational Structure (April 2023)



Driving the competitive advantage of current businesses and the creation of the next growth businesses



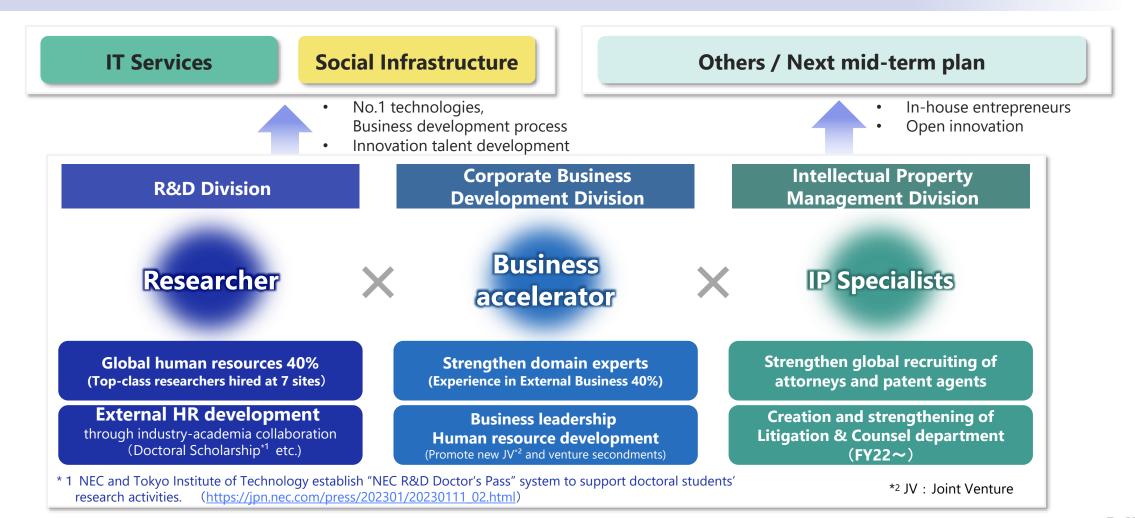
Expanding R&D and business development opportunities, utilizing our global assets



Orchestrating a brighter world

Developing specialized talent in research, business acceleration, and intellectual property for company-wide expansion

A team of 2,000 specialists committed to cultivating internal innovation talent Drive company-wide innovation while developing No. 1 technologies and businesses



Strengths of NEC's R&D

High technological competitiveness on a global scale

Demonstrating world-class technological competitiveness in AI, security, telecommunications, and other fields at major international conferences

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Machine learning

The number of papers accepted by topquality international academic conferences *1

Ranked 10th in the world

*1 Aggregation of the following major international conferences NeurIPS、 ICML、 ECML-PKDD、 KDD、 ICDM

*3 Security: ACM CCS, Eurocrypt, IEEE S&P, etc.

Video and image processing

The number of papers accepted by topquality international academic conferences *2

Japan No.1

*2 Aggregation of the following major international conferences CVPR、ICCV、ECCV、ACCV、ICPR

Security

Cyber Security

Yamashita Memorial Research Award, CSS2021, etc. *3

Received numerous awards

Communication*4

Optical Communication

Acceptance of papers in top academic conferences*4

46 consecutive year

*4 Communication: OFC/ECOC, etc.

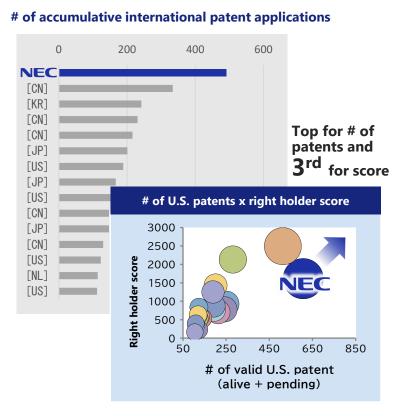
Machine learning:2000-2022: Our researchRanking of paper accepted at leading academicconferences (company-based)

Rank	Company name	#of papers
1	Google	1363
2	Microsoft	1342
3	IBM	982
4	DeepMind	450
5	Meta Platforms	428
6	Yahoo	347
7	Alibaba	292
8	Amazon	274
9	Tencent	216
10	NEC	215

Global No.1 in the three major areas of Biometric authentication, Video recognition, Analysis/Prescription Al

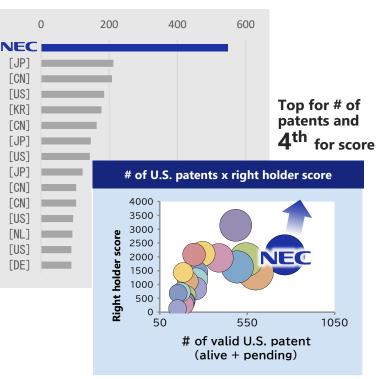
NEC's core technologies across various business sectors: biometric authentication, video recognition, and analysis/prescription Al Aiming to be the global No.1 patent portfolio in each area by 2025

Biometric authentication



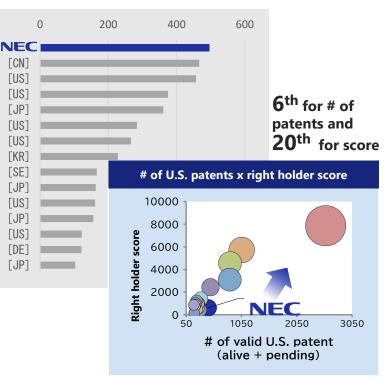
Video recognition

of accumulative international patent applications



Analysis / Prescriptive Al

of accumulative international patent applications



Right holder score: index for strength of patent portfolio of each patent right holder by Patent Result Co. November 2023 (Our research)

World No.1 biometric authentication technologies

Sustaining world-class expertise in biometrics: face, iris, and fingerprint Ranked No. 1 in the world in benchmark tests conducted by NIST^{*1}



*1 National Institute of Standards and Technology. The results of the NIST evaluation do not constitute an endorsement by the U.S. government of any particular product, service, or company.

*2 Ranked No. 1 by NIST for FRVT Ongoing 1: N Identification (Aug. 2021) Identification (T>0) under the category Gallery: Mugshot; Probe: Mugshot; N=12,000,000 as well as the category Gallery: Border; Probe: Border ΔT ≥ 10 years; N=16,000,000

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*4 Ranked No. 1 by IREX 10: Identification Track (Sep. 2022) under the category Two-eye Accuracy, as well as the category Single-eye Accuracy and the category Rank Accuracy.

Ongoing investment in research AI supercomputer facilities to support various AI research and developments

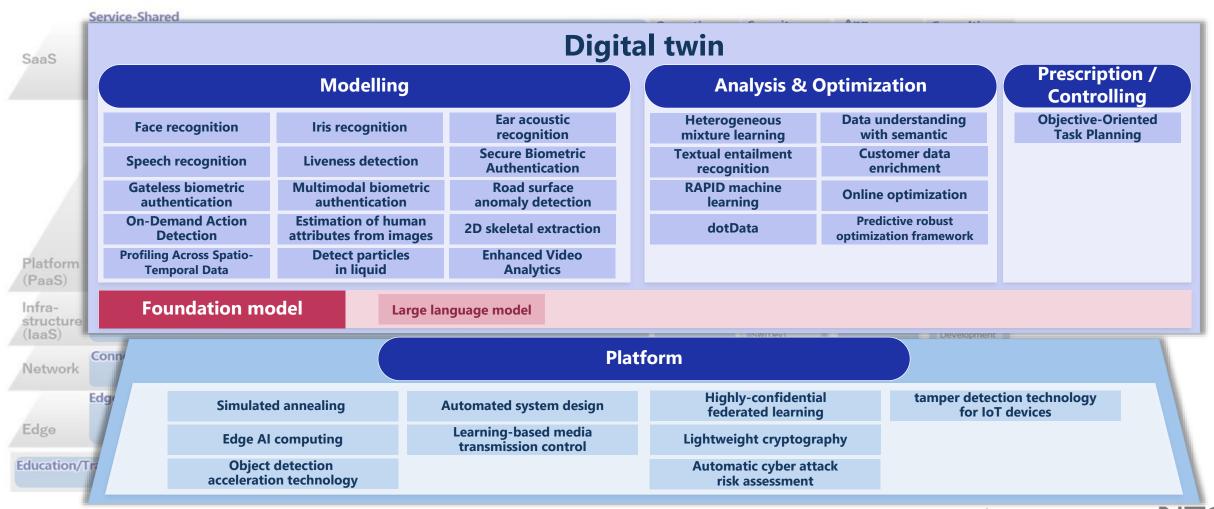
Al supercomputer equipped with the largest GPU among Japanese companies is fully operational in March 2023 Achieved speedy R&D of generative Als such as NEC LLM and timely business transfer and market launch

Building and operating an AI supercomputer requires ensuring reliability, middleware for high training performance, and operation software. NEC researchers spent about two years building the AI supercomputer.



Advanced technologies supporting the NEC Digital Platform (NDP)

Integrating NEC's global No. 1 technology into the NDP for broad business applications In FY2023, plans are underway to add approximately 20 new R&D technologies



Contribution to current businesses through global No.1 technologies

Contribution to the IT Service Business

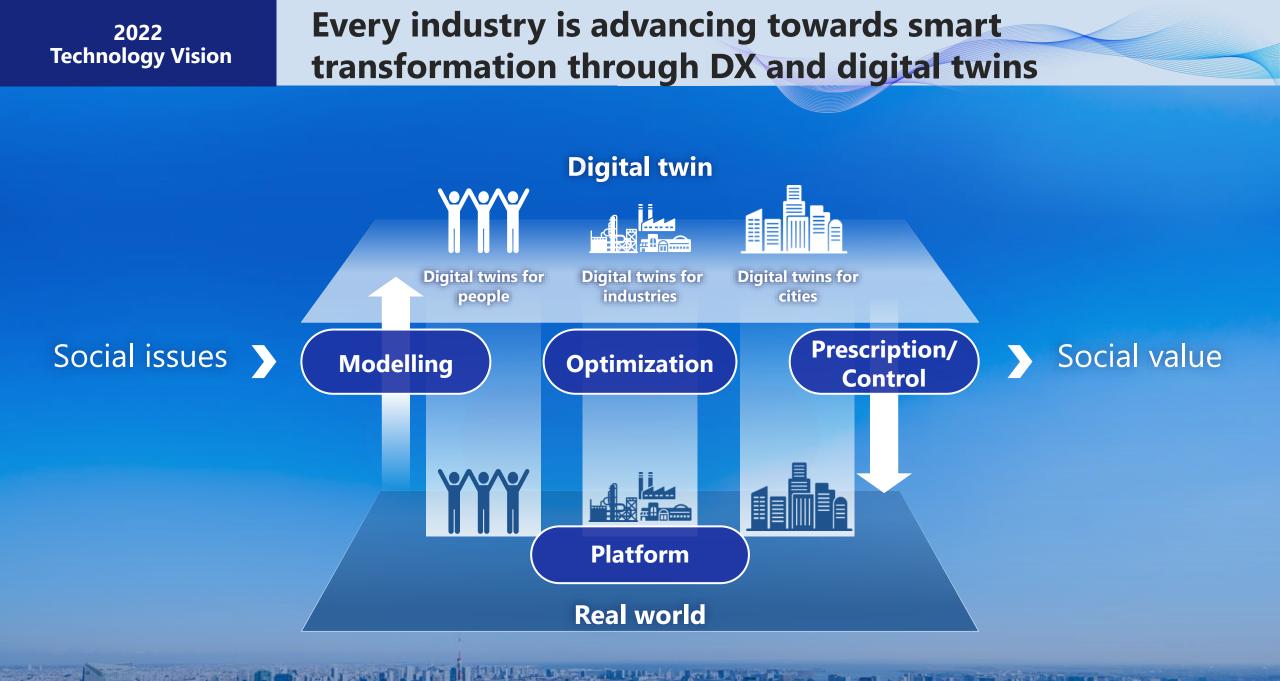
2 Contribution to the Social Infrastructure Business

NEC's businesses



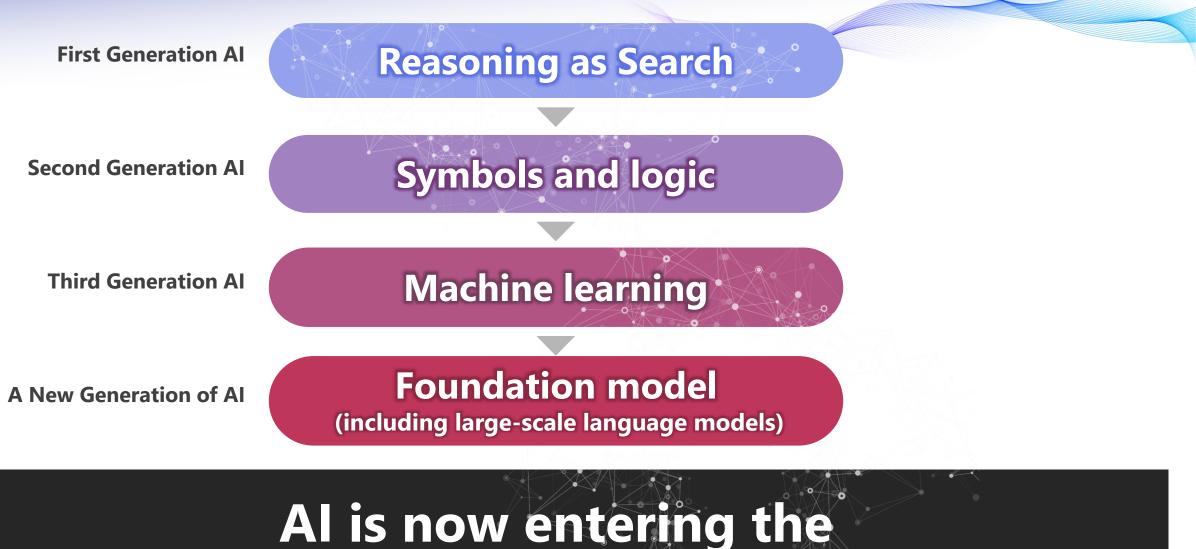
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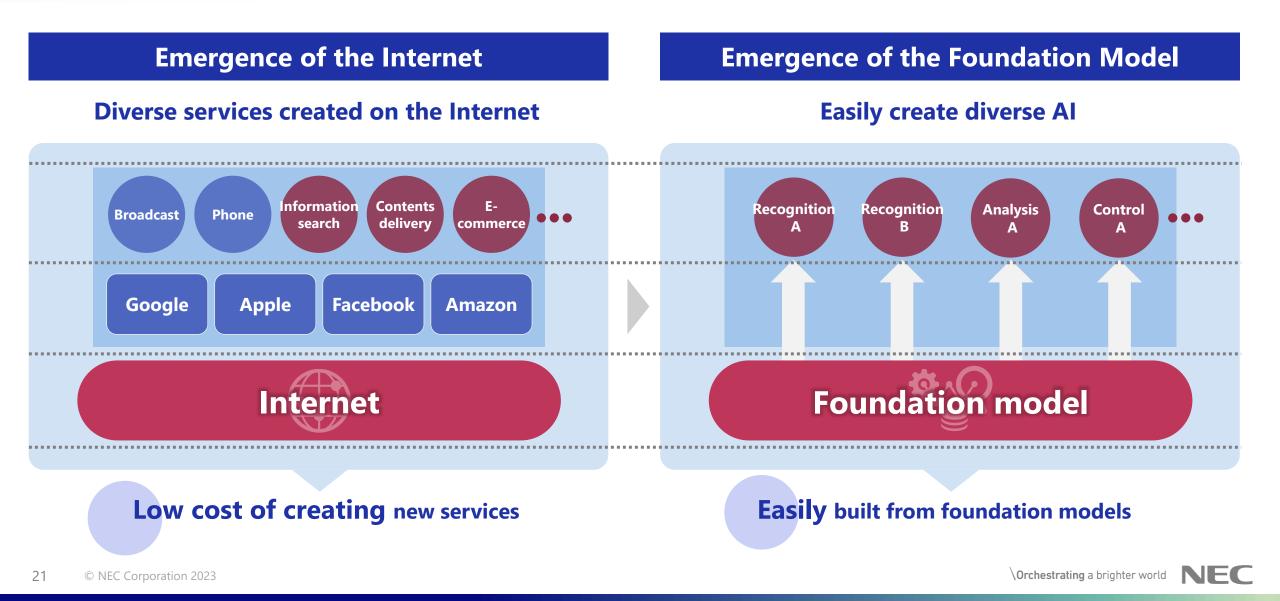
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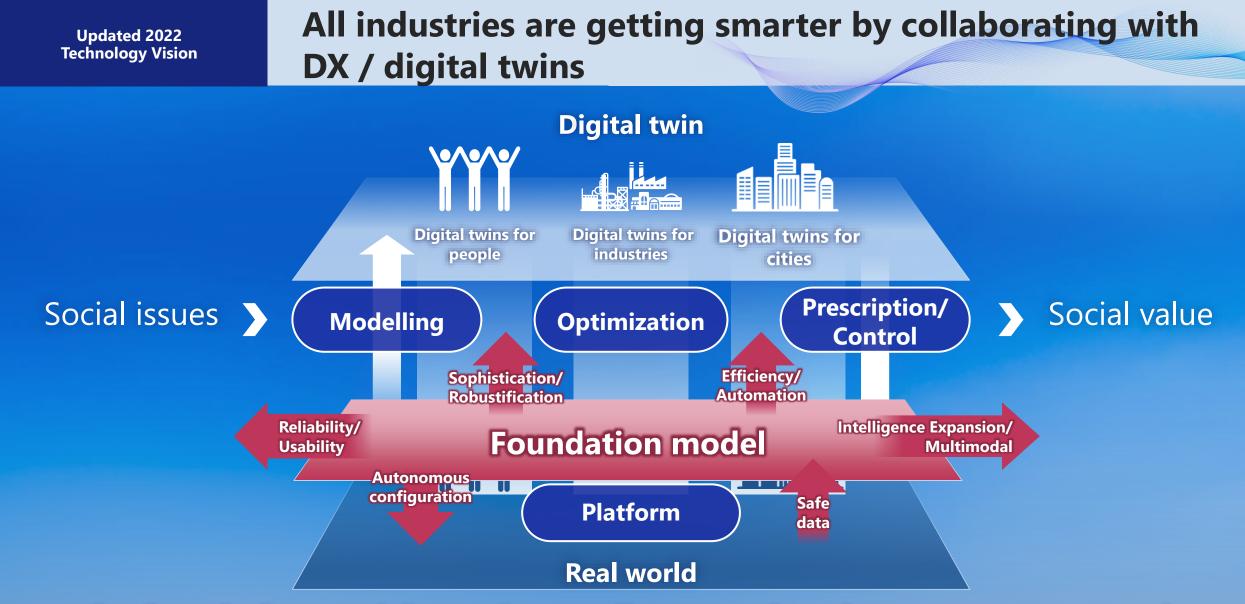




era of foundation models

Like the Internet, AI foundation models are revolutionizing society Enabling easy AI development for everyone





The foundation model greatly contributes to the advancement, automation, and scaling of DX/digital twin systems.

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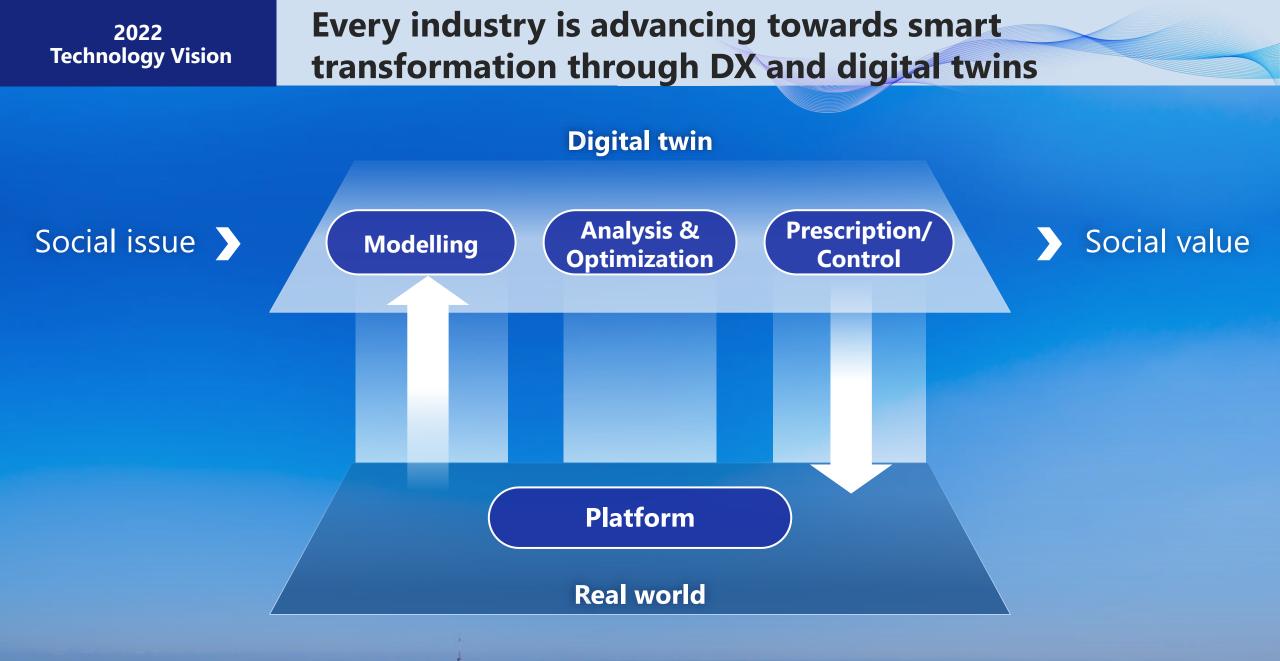
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NEC's goal New AI Architecture

Advancement of DX through AI orchestration

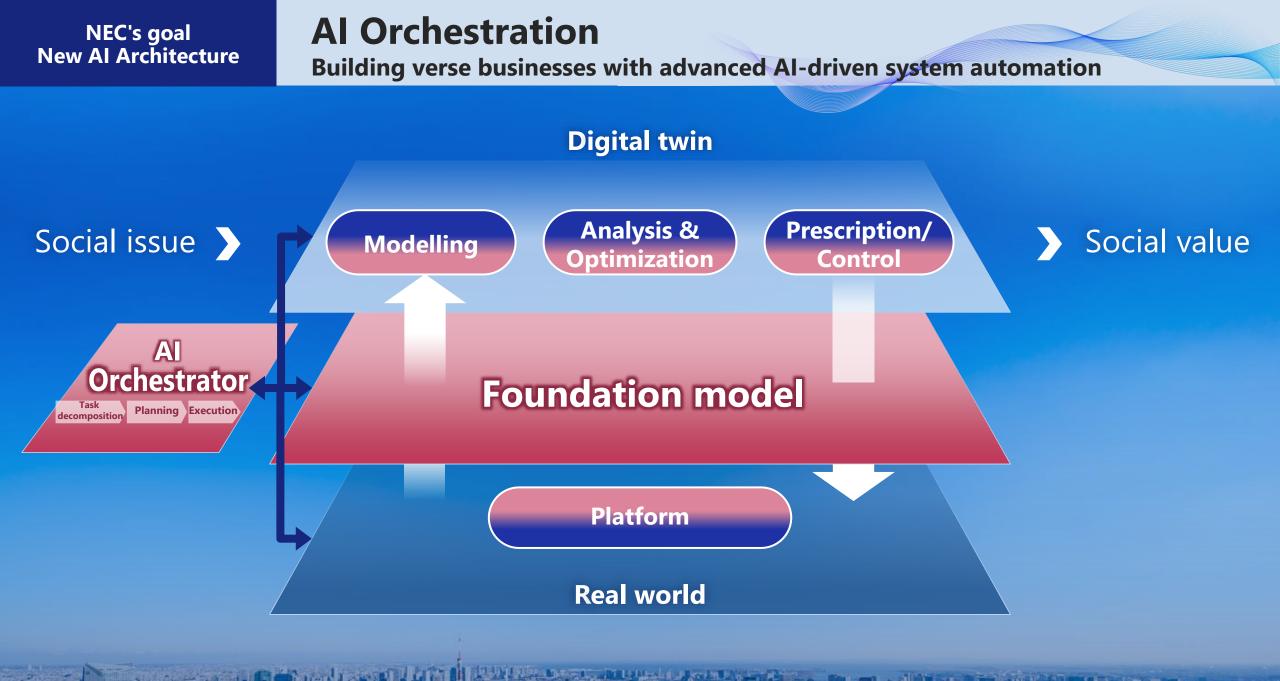
Accelerating Business Creation by Integrating NEC's Strengths in Multimodal AI, Security, and **Network Technologies**

Proprietary Foundation Model	New architecture enables building purpose-specific AI models by flexibly scaling LLM and integrating with various specialized AIs.	
Multimodal AI	Processing a variety of real-world events by combining global No. 1 image/audio and sensing technologies with LLM.	
Safety and Security in the LLM Era	Addresses hallucinations, ethics, learning source validity, personal information leaks, etc., in addition to advanced cybersecurity to ensure safety and security in the LLM era.	
Automation of system construction and operation	Automates system construction and operation management in addition to streamlining software development and reducing power consumption.	
Orchestration function	Automates diverse real-world operations by breaking down business processes into tasks, autonomously deploying and linking AI models, and controlling security and networks.	
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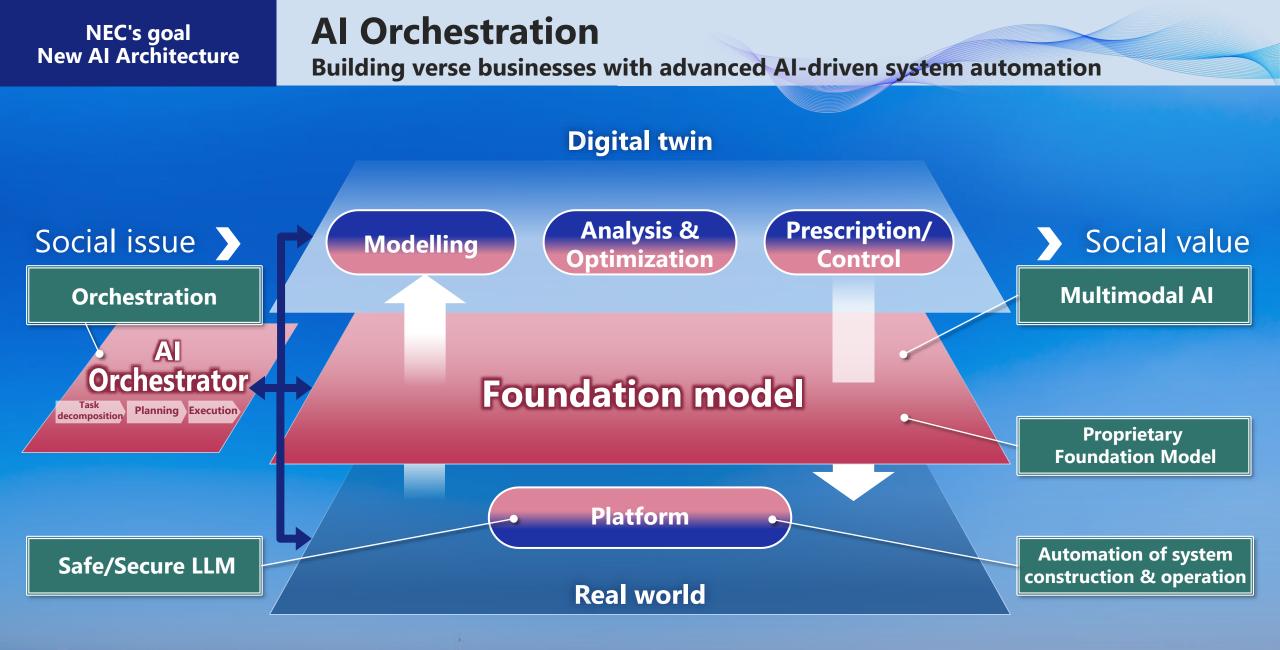
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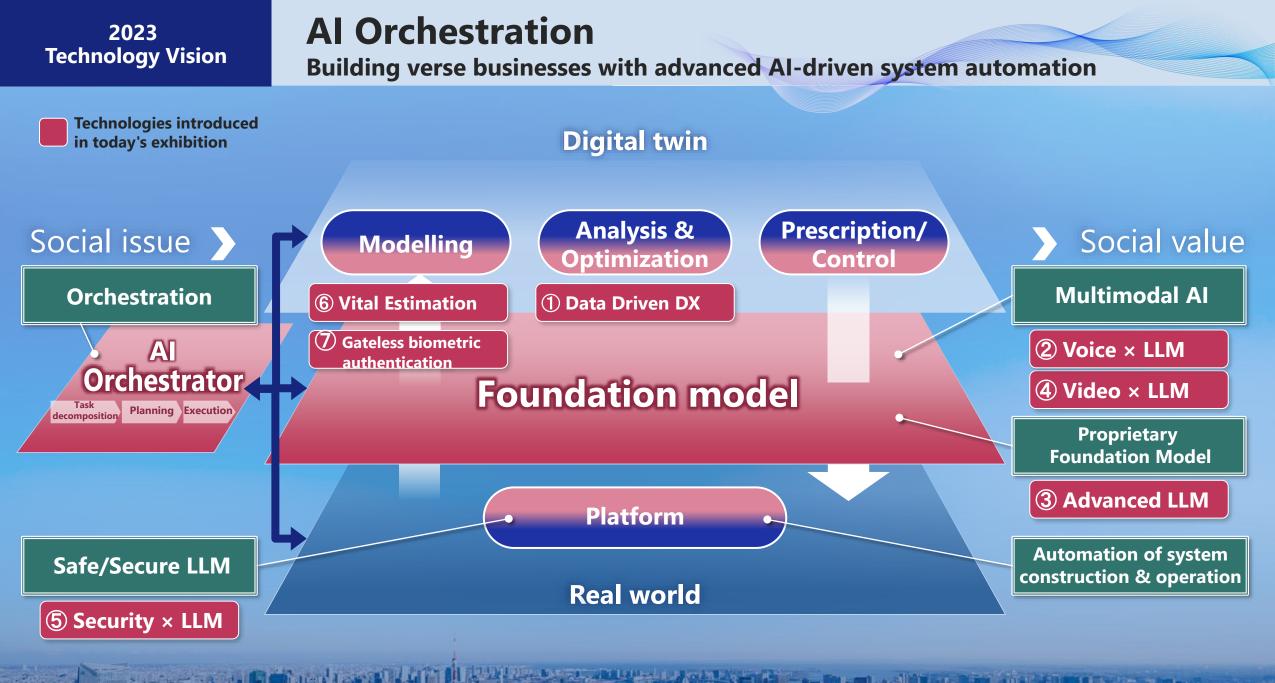
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Scalable foundation model

Proprietary Foundation model

Safe and secure

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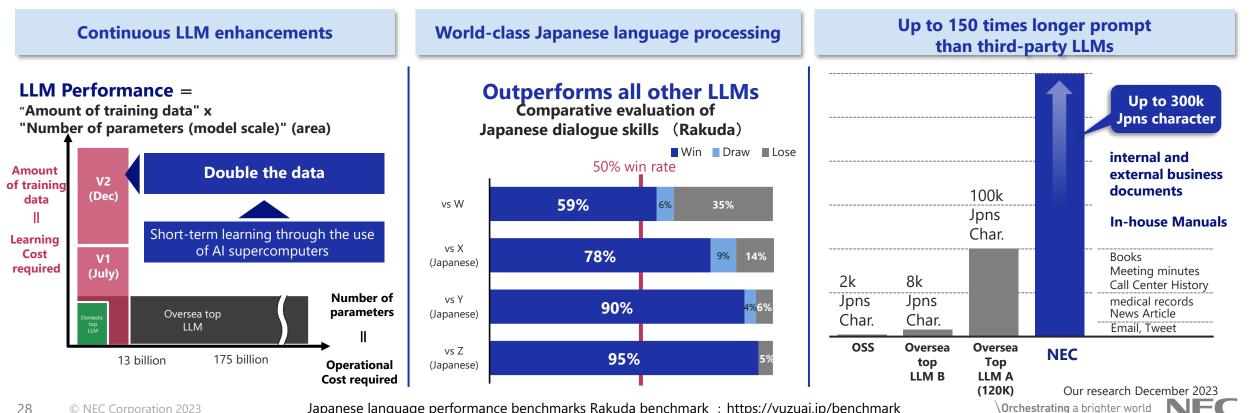
Exhibit

Sophisticated large language models(LLMs)

Enhanced 13B LLM + Support for long prompts

To be commercialized

• Enhanced 13B LLM: Building large and high-guality training data ensures lightweight models with world-class Japanese language proficiency • Support for long prompts : Long-text processing capable of processing "entire books" (up to 150x longer prompt)



Japanese language performance benchmarks Rakuda benchmark : https://yuzuai.jp/benchmark

Automated

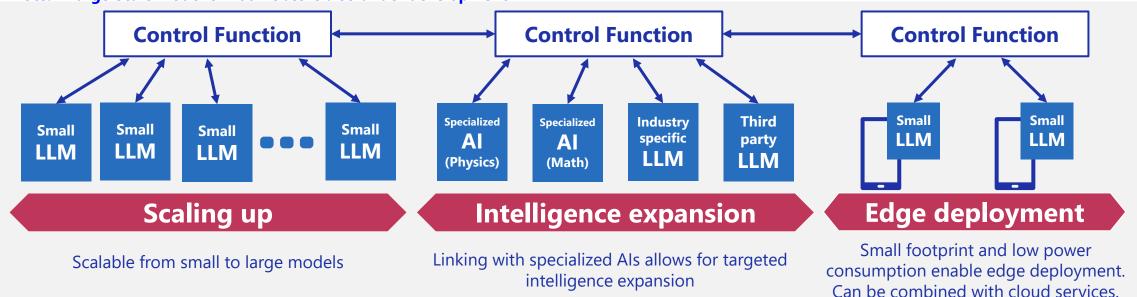
R&D

Expansion of large language model

Scalable large language models

Developing "new architecture" that flexibly combines models according to input or tasks to create new AI

- Combining small models enables linear scaling of size and intelligence
- Towards a world where LLMs are embedded in edges, distributed deployment and collaboration is possible by combining power-saving edge and cloud computing Note: A large-scale model of 100B class is also under development



Integrating Multimodal AI with LLM

R&D **Real-world perception and interpretation** utilizing video recognition technology and LLM

Video x LLM

Exhibit

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- Automatic generation of detailed descriptions for real-world videos
- NEC's advantage lies in its extensive collection of video recognition AI for converting videos to text
- The generated text is processed through an LLM to convert it into meaningful information and generate coherent sentences.

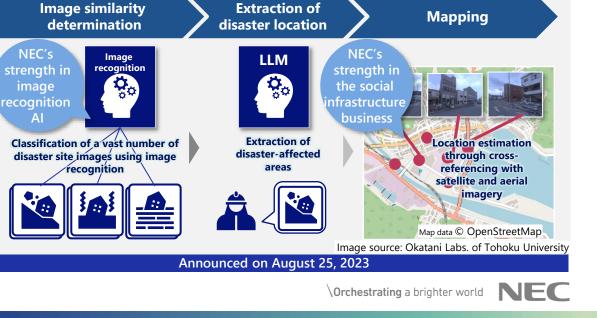


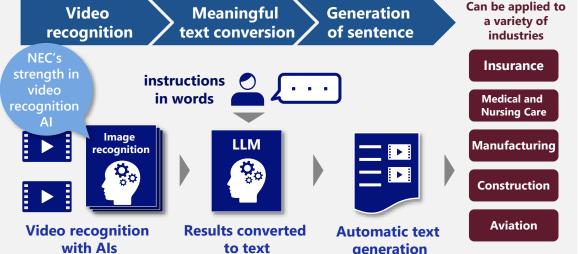
Image and location information x LLM

Disaster Response Solutions

NEC's technologies for similarity assessment and location prediction can accurately detect disaster situations and exact locations, even down to street addresses, from a constant flow of images. When combined with LLM, the technology can swiftly describe the disaster in detail, improving the speed of emergency responses.







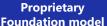
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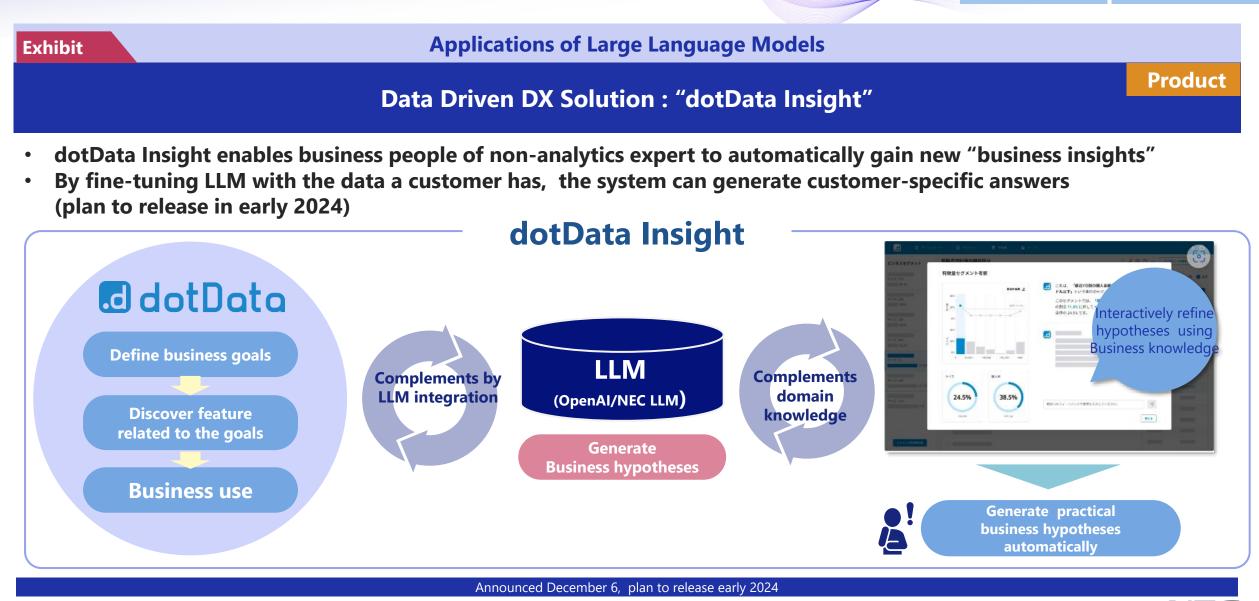
Utilization of the foundation model



Multimodal AI

Safe and secure

Automated construction & operation





LLM-enhanced security and platforms



- Even non-experts can diagnose security risks.
- A security-specific LLM, utilizing NEC's cyberattack risk assessment technology, quickly responds to queries with diagnosis results and reports.

Automatically acceleration of programs

Proprietary

Foundation mode

Safe and secure

LLM

Multimodal AI

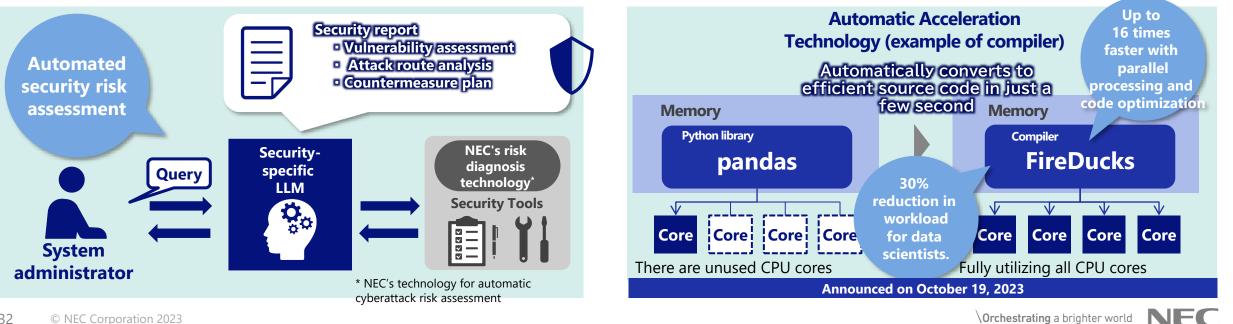
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construction & operation

R&D **Automatic Acceleration for Data Analytics** (Compiler, Accelerator)

- Accelerating computation-intensive table data processing by 16x and deep learning processing by 4x. It will be enhanced by user program efficiency optimization via LLM.
- Equivalent to reducing data scientists' workload by 30%

Note: Beta version now available, https://fireducks-dev.github.io/



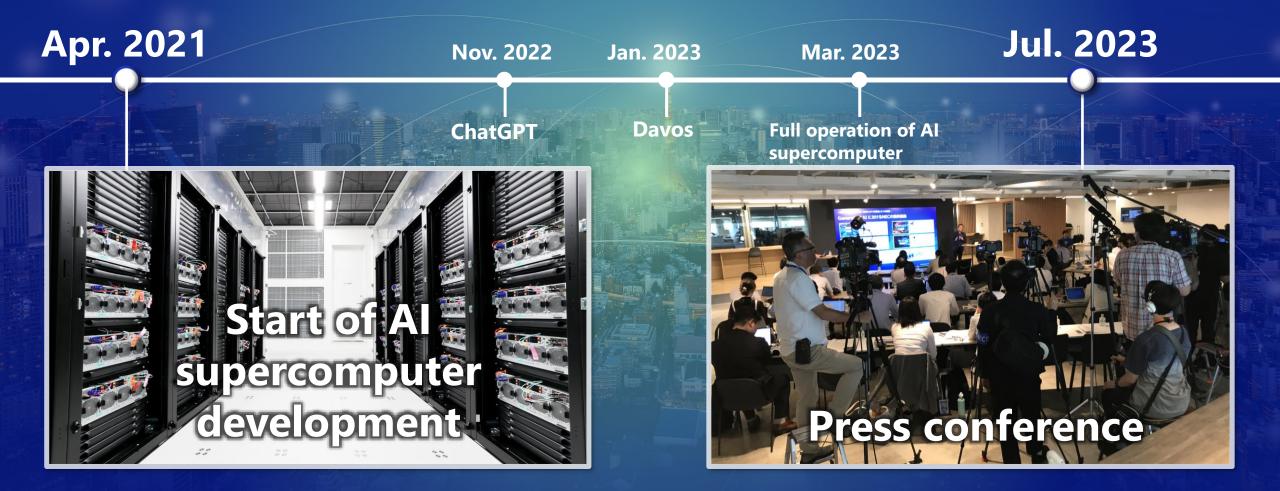
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NEC Corporate Executive Vice President and CDO **Toshifumi Yoshizaki**



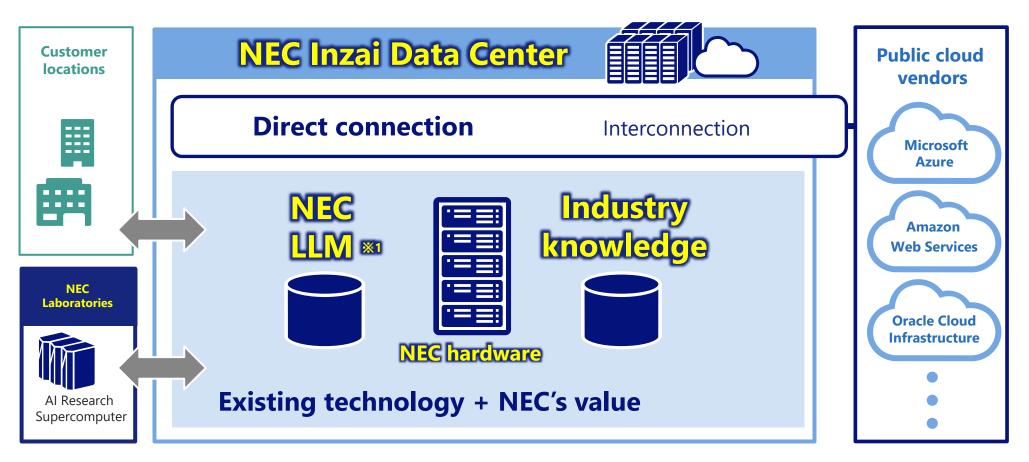
Timeline of NEC's Initiatives in Generative AI

After two years of efforts in building an AI supercomputer and developed an LLM with worldclass Japanese performance. NEC announced the launch of a generative AI service centered on the NEC's LLM on July 6, 2023.

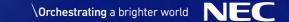


Launch of the NEC Generative AI Project

Utilizing the comprehensive capabilities of NEC and the strengths of global vendors to provide a highly specialized generative AI environment for Japanese customers



※1: large language model



| NEC's Generative AI |

Words show the future, and things come to fruition.

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NEC Generative AI is Everywhere



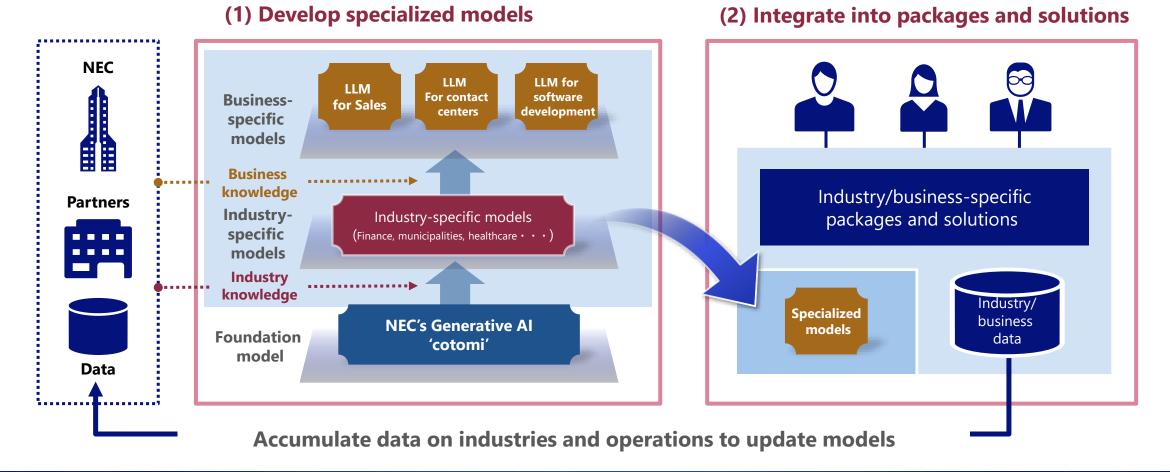
NEC Generative AI Business Expansion Scenario

In addition to focusing on individual companies, we will progressively grow our business by deploying industry/business-specific solutions on a one-to-many basis, and by forming strategic partnerships.



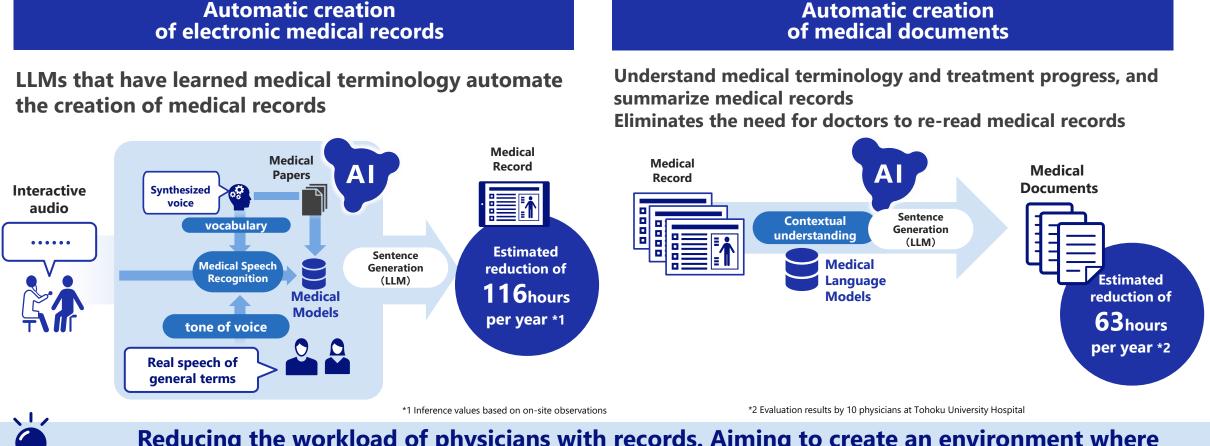
NEC Generative AI Business Expansion Scenario: Phase II

Leveraging NEC's Generative AI technology and industry expertise, we aim to (1) develop specialized models and (2) integrate them into packages and solutions.



Business – Phase II: Case Study: LLM for Physician Services (Tohoku University Hospital)

By supporting the creation of electronic medical records and medical documents with LLM, the time required to create medical documents has been halved, and the possibility of improving operational efficiency has been confirmed.



Reducing the workload of physicians with records. Aiming to create an environment where doctors can concentrate on their medical practice

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Business – Phase II: Case Studies - Specialized models for various other industries

Finance, municipalities, manufacturing, etc. **Co-creation of industry-specific LLMs with various customers**

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Developed an inquiry response function equipped with product and office manuals. Streamline internal affairs tasks that require specialized knowledge, such as inquiries about product regulations and paperwork rules.

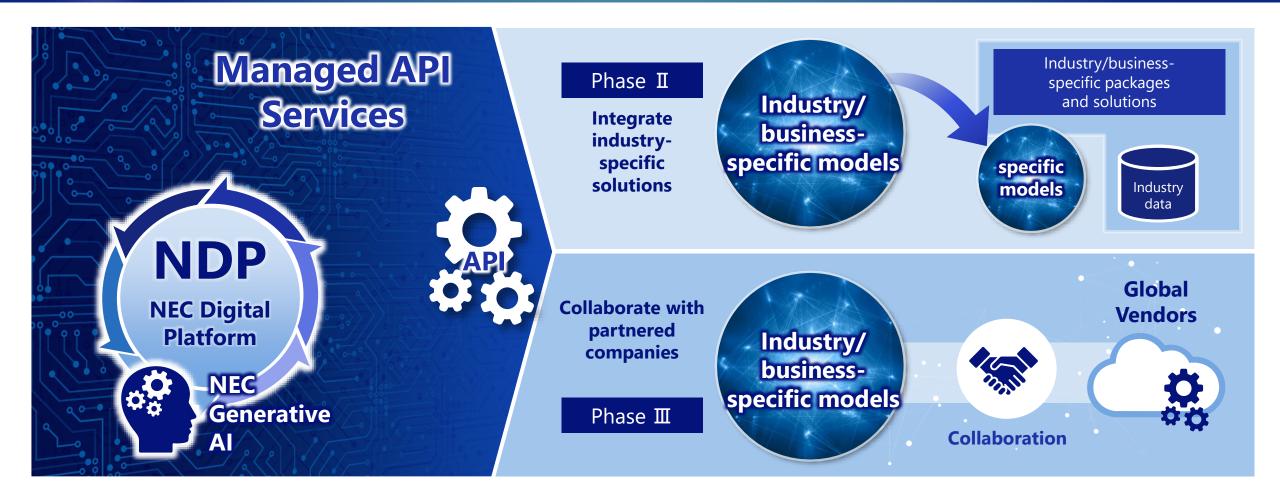
Joint verification for the use of generative AI has begun. We learned from Sagamihara City's data and promoted verification of operational efficiency with LLM developed by NEC.

Sagamihara City



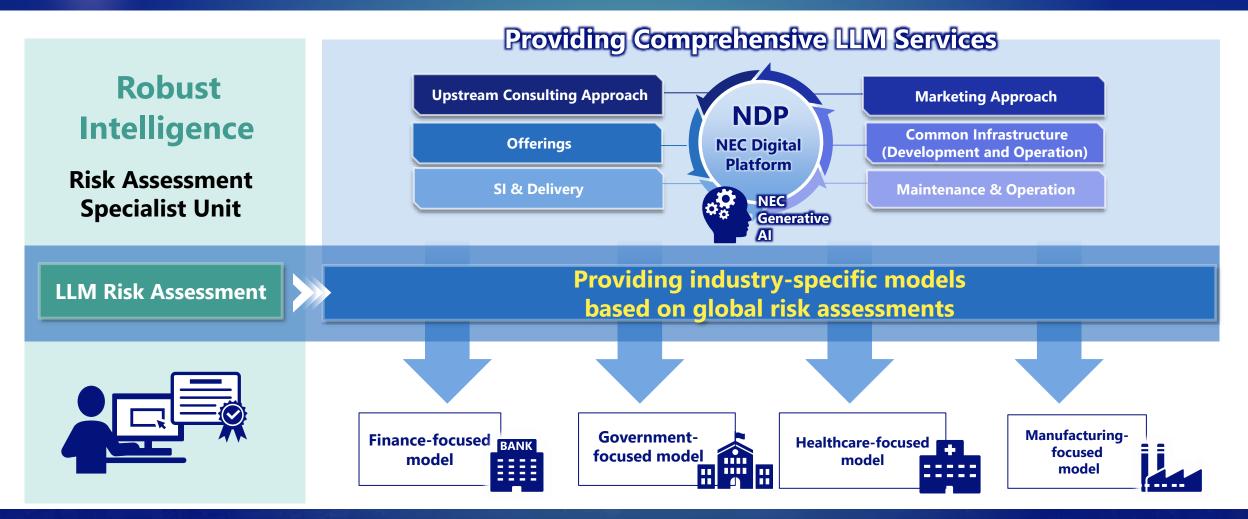
Technology: Managed API Services

Drawing from NEC's extensive industry and business expertise, we are developing specialized models to establish a tailored environment for our customers. (Set to launch in Spring 2024)



Safe and secure Generative AI: Risk countermeasures in collaboration with Robust Intelligence

In our effort to offer safe and secure LLM to our customers, we have partnered with Robust Intelligence to advance the LLM risk assessment project.



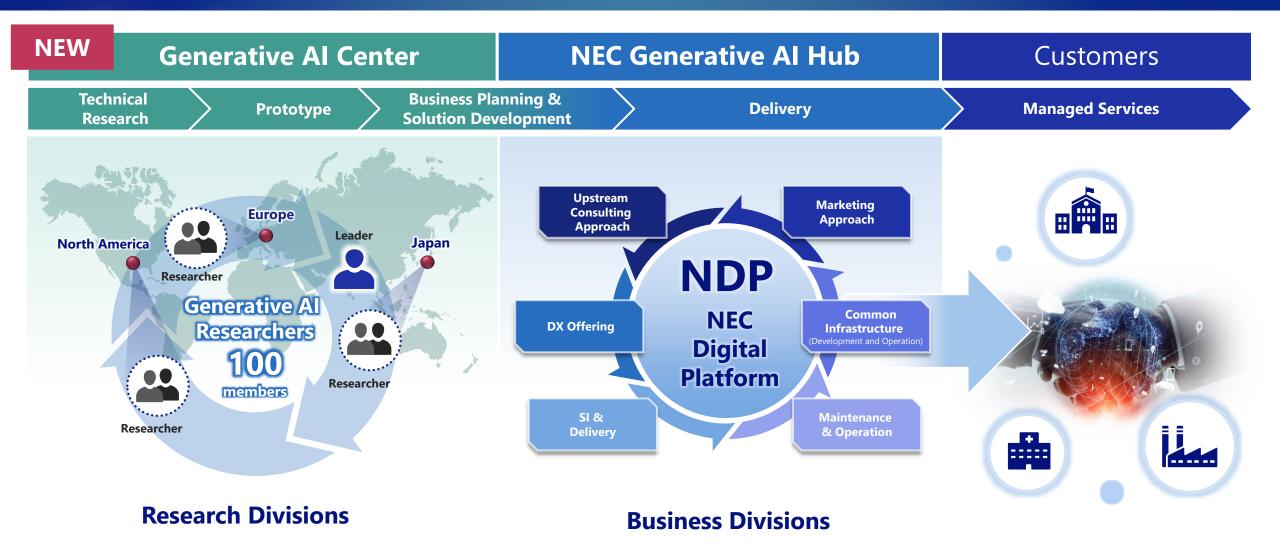
People & Organizations

In addition to the 150-person LLM business advancement and risk management teams reporting directly to the CDO*, we have appointed ambassadors from various business divisions to introduce LLM solutions to customers across diverse industries

NEW LLM advancement team under CDO **Business Division Ambassadors CDO Proposing LLM to various customers Generative AI Hub Digital Trust Strategy Department** (40 people) (110 people) **Ambassadors** Supporting the utilization of **Implementing flexible risk** LLM in companies responses and rule-making **Establishing an "AI and Human Expert members support Rights Policy**" and taking action customer's business using at an early stage generative AI **Creating Generative AI** We provide a full range of Guidelines services from consulting to Accumulating industry knowledge through PoC to system design and Active participation in the implementation proposal activities creation of Al-related rules in Japan and overseas

Collaboration between research and business

Seamless collaboration between R&D and business accelerates the commercialization of generative Al research results



Through seamless collaboration between R&D and business, we will support the DX of society and customers as a speedy and optimal strategic partner.

R&D

Creation of high-level cutting-edge technologies

Business

Reflecting customer needs and moving quickly towards commercializing

Biometrics Authentication

Progress in NEC's Face Recognition Business



*1 Fuji Chimera Research Institute Digital ID/Authentication Solutions Business Market Research Handbook 2022

In about 45 countries and regions

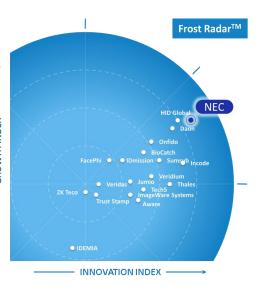
Business valuation by a global research firm **Frost & Sullivan**

Glob

Global No.1^{*2} (Compared with more than 100 companies worldwide)

*2 2022 Biometrics in Security Market Research

- Second consecutive Market Leader rating following the 2020 survey
- NEC continues to bring innovation to its broad portfolio of Biometric Authentication, maintaining leadership in both Frost Radar and market share.



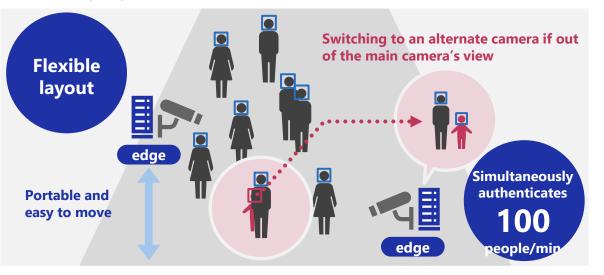


Adopted by law enforcement agencies in Europe, the U.S., and other countries around

Evolving Biometric Technologies

Exhibit Biometrics Gateless access control system using biometric recognition

- With lighter edge processing, gateless biometric authentication can handle up to 100 people per minute on portable devices.
- This technology is expected to be used in places like event venues and construction sites, where the ability to easily modify layouts is essential.



Vital Estimation Technology

Exhibit

R&D

Estimating vital signs from facial images

- NEC's biometric authentication technology can estimate vital information, such as pulse rate, SpO2, respiratory rate from facial video on a smartphone.
- Understanding daily health condition and supporting behavioral changes

Note: This system is under research and development. This system is not a medical device and cannot be used for medical examination nor medical treatment.



The CES Innovation Awards are based upon descriptive materials submitted to the judges. CTA did not verify the accuracy of any submission or of any claims made and did not test the item to which the award was given.

Contribution to current businesses through global No.1 technologies

Contribution to the IT Service Business
 Contribution to the Social Infrastructure Business

Safe, secure, high-speed, high-capacity communications that support social infrastructure

R&D

6G/Beyond 5G

40 GHz band distributed MIMO

- Successful verification experiment with 40 GHz band distributed MIMO technology for high-speed, high-capacity wireless communications (NTT, NTT DOCOMO, NEC)
- Beam Forming technology at the base station maintains the same transmission capacity as when stationary even when moving and ensures signal quality in blocked environments.

6G/Beyond 5G

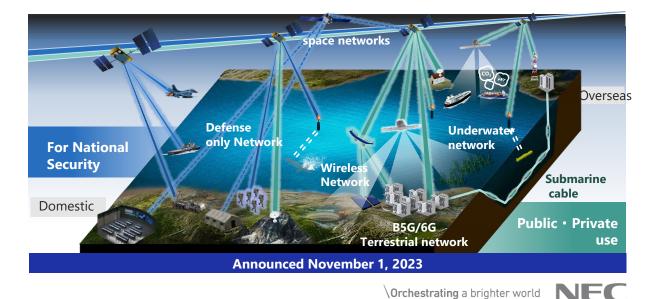
Space-Air-Ground Integrated Network

R&D

- Established "Space Integration Network and Resilient DX Co-Creation Institute" in collaboration with Tohoku University. Integrate optical, wireless, and space networks.
- By establishing and commercializing new network technologies starting from the Beyond 5G network, we aim to realize a resilient society that integrates space, air, and ground.



Announced October 31, 2023



Optical and quantum cryptography communication enhances societal sophistication, security, and safety

Product

Optical communication

Increasing the capacity of optical submarine cables with multicore fiber

- Google adopts world's first multicore fiber cable for its Taiwan-Philippines-U.S. submarine cable system
- By doubling the number of cores, this technology enables higher capacity transmission at a lower cost per bit

Quantum cryptography

R&D Homegrown quantum cryptography enhances communication security for critical systems

- As part of the expansion of the NICT^{*1}-operated Tokyo QKD Network,^{*2} BB84 quantum key distribution (QKD) devices will be delivered this fiscal year
- NEC is the only Japanese company developing both the conventional BB84 method and the next-generation CV-QKD method

BB84 QKD system scheduled for delivery





*1 National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) *2 Testbed for the Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) network that NICT is constructing and operating in the Tokyo area.

Creation of new growth businesses

1 Commercialization of the IP licensing business

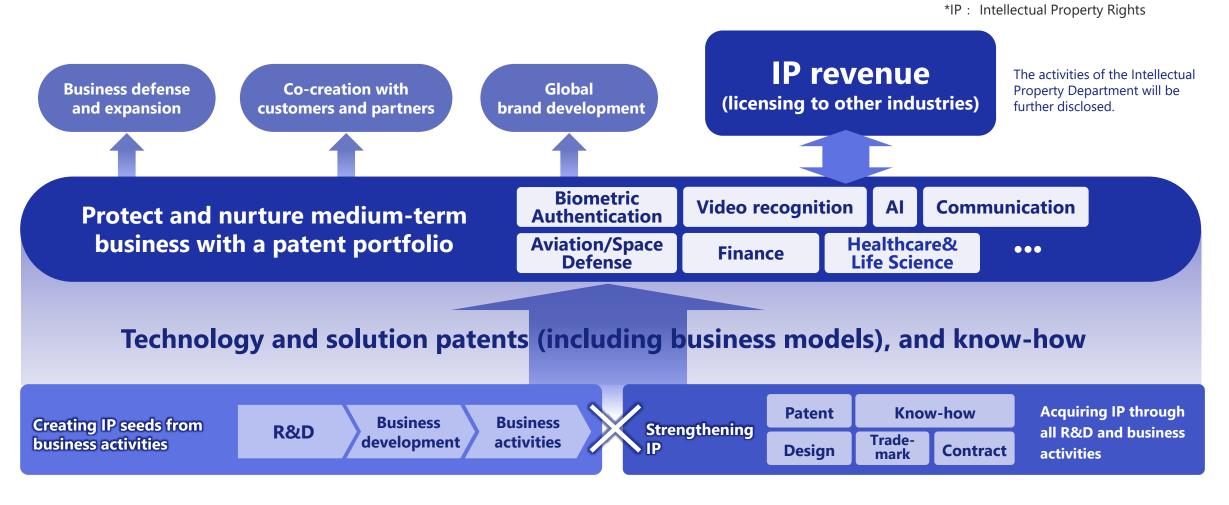
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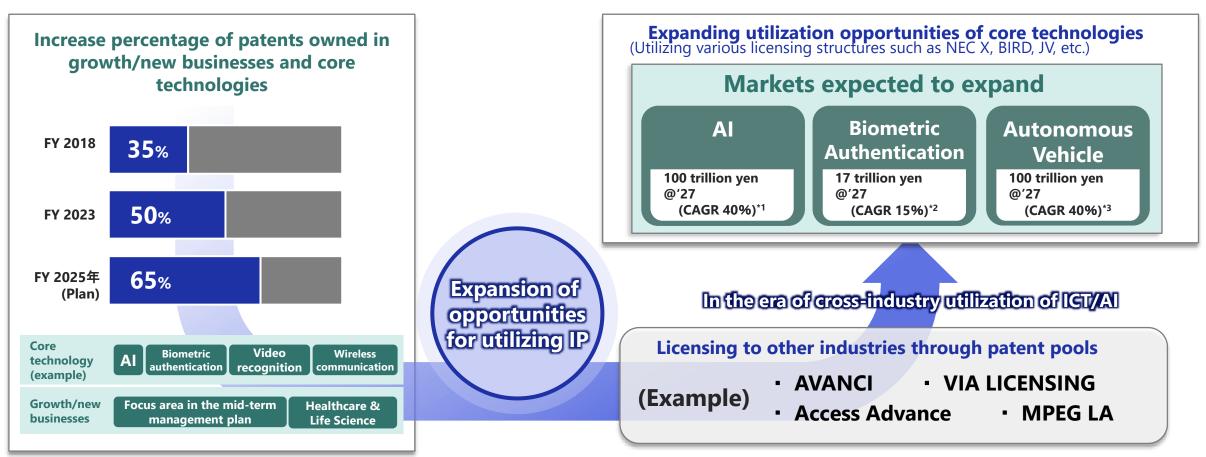
Boosting revenue through IP*

To adapt to the widespread use of ICT technology IP across various industries, NEC is revamping IP creation and utilization processes, focusing on business defense and expansion, co-creation with customers and partners, global brand development, and strengthening the intellectual property revenue business



O Commercialization of the IPlicensing business Expand opportunities to utilize NEC's technology and IP

NEC is boosting its patent portfolio in growth/new business areas and core technologies, expanding IP revenue by licensing to various industries in line with growing utilization opportunities, and actively pursuing market co-creation with startups through leverage from IP



Source *1 : Statista(Next Move Strategy Consulting), https://www.statista.com/statistics/1365145/artificial-intelligence-market-size/ *2 : Statista(ReportLinker; MarketsandMarkets), https://www.statista.com/statistics/1048705/worldwide-biometrics-market-revenue/

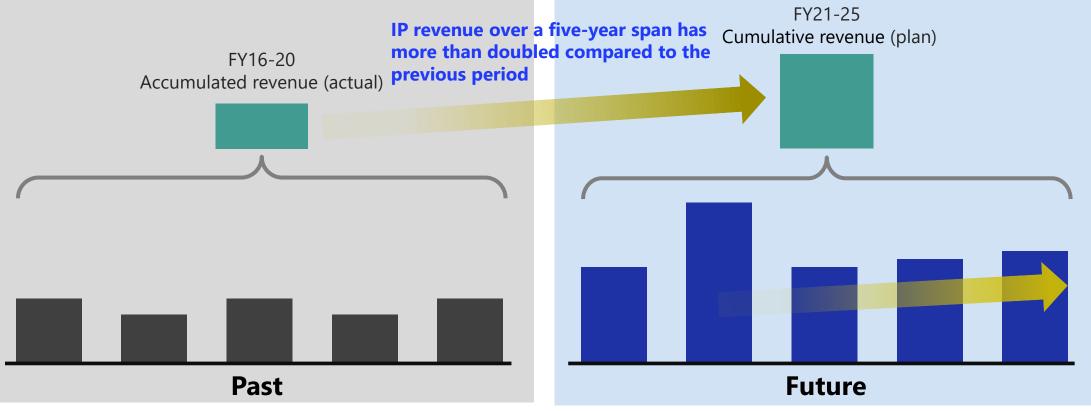
*3 : Statista(Next Move Strategy Consulting), https://www.statista.com/statistics/1224515/av-market-size-worldwide-forecast/

Toward sustainable and stable IP revenues

IP revenues in the Mid-term Management Plan 2025 has progressed to more than double that of the previous five years (FY2016-2020). Going forward, we aim to stabilize IP revenue over fiscal years and focus on creating and expanding new markets by fully utilizing IP assets.

IP revenue

* The heights of the bars in these graphs are for illustrative purposes only



Creation of new growth businesses

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"NEC's industry-leading

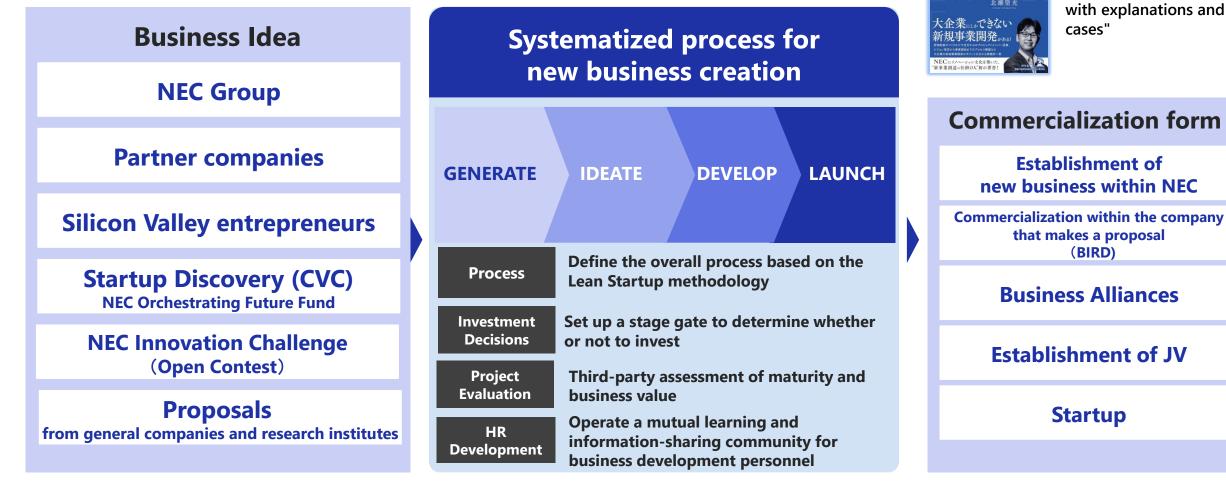
4 keys to successful innovation in one book

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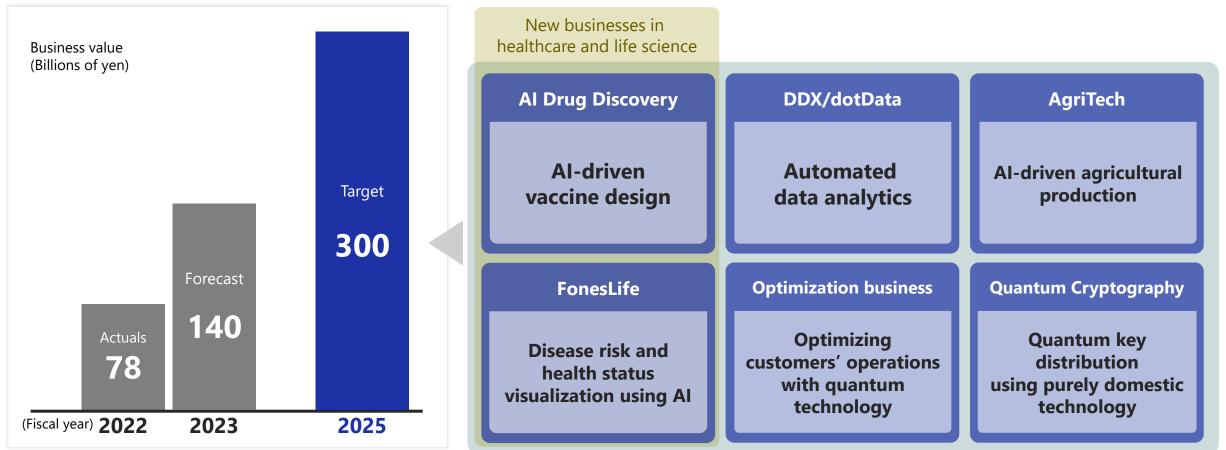
NEC's Business Innovation Process

Develop various measures to expand entry and exit points for business creation, while putting into practice a systemized process for new business development.



Creating a business value of 300 billion yen by fiscal 2025

AI technology contributes to 80% of our business value Rapid new business creation is underway in healthcare and life sciences, while our data-driven DX initiatives continue to show strong growth.



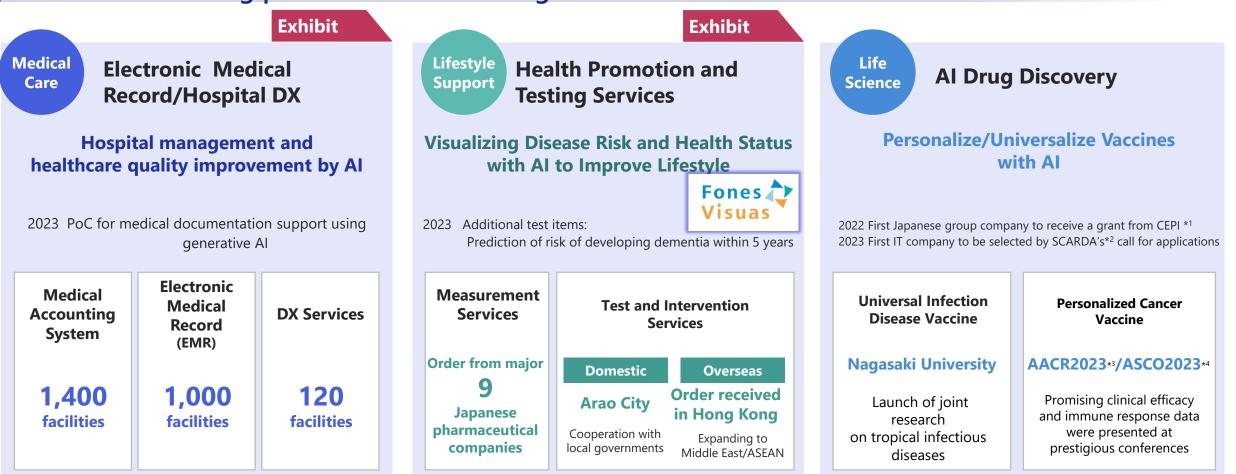
• Total business value of ongoing business development projects.

• Selecting the most appropriate evaluation method according to project characteristics. (e.g., discounted cash flow method, comparable multiple valuation method (multiple), and others)

Healthcare & Life Science Business

Consolidated HLS-related internal organizations to develop growth businesses leveraging our strengths in AI

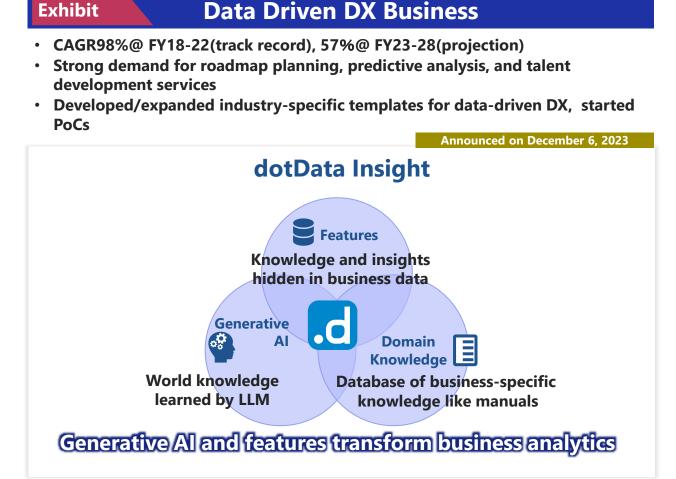
Started with making profit due to our strong business foundation around EMR



*1 CEPI: Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations *2 SCARDA: Strategic Center of Biomedical Advanced Vaccine Research and Development for Preparedness and Response *3 AACR: American Association for Cancer Research *4 ASCO: American Society of Clinical Oncology *4 ASCO: American Society of Clinical Oncology

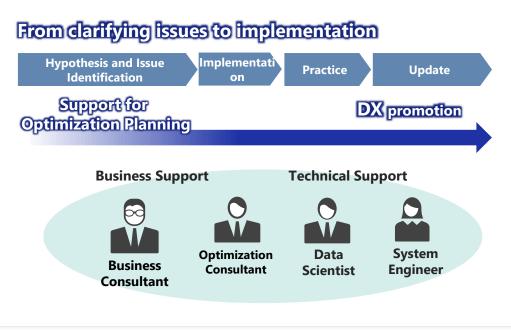
Developing a new business to generate future business value

Data Driven DX Business : 98% CAGR growth in past 5 years, 50%+growth projected Quantum Computing : Transitioned to business optimization services and doubled operational support



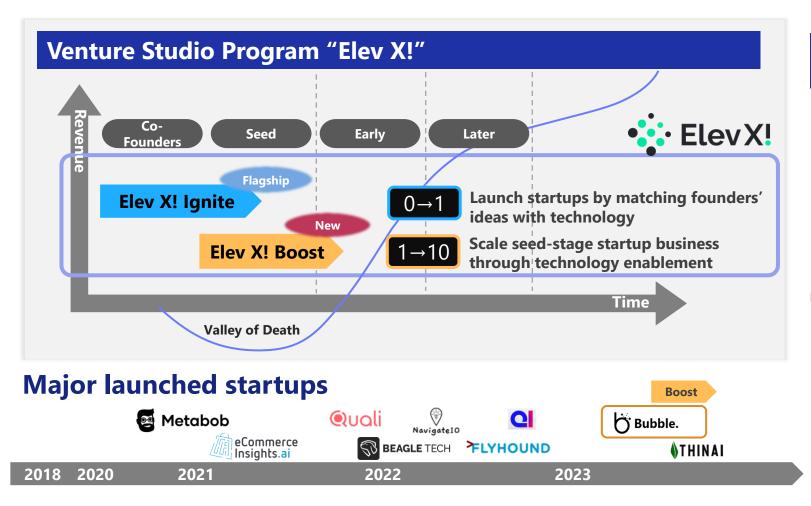
Business Optimization Service (Quantum computing technology applications)

- NEC Platforms boosted equipment utilization by 15% and reduce production planning efforts by 90%
- SI partnership with Gurobi Optimization
- Doubled support infrastructure to boost overall customer digital transformation



NEC X : Using NEC's IP for North American market ventures

Building on our flagship "Ignite" program, we have launched the "Boost" program to assist existing startups in scaling up. This initiative aims to attract promising startups, fast-tracking their development and growth, with 10 successful launches since 2021.



5th anniversary event - FutureFusion Forum (Co-hosted with MIT ILP on 9/14)

250+ investors and entrepreneurs participated, serving as an opportunity for new investments and program participation.





Keynote by Shintaro Matsumoto, CEO of NEC X

Keynotes Dr. John Carrier and Dr. Aude Oliva of MIT



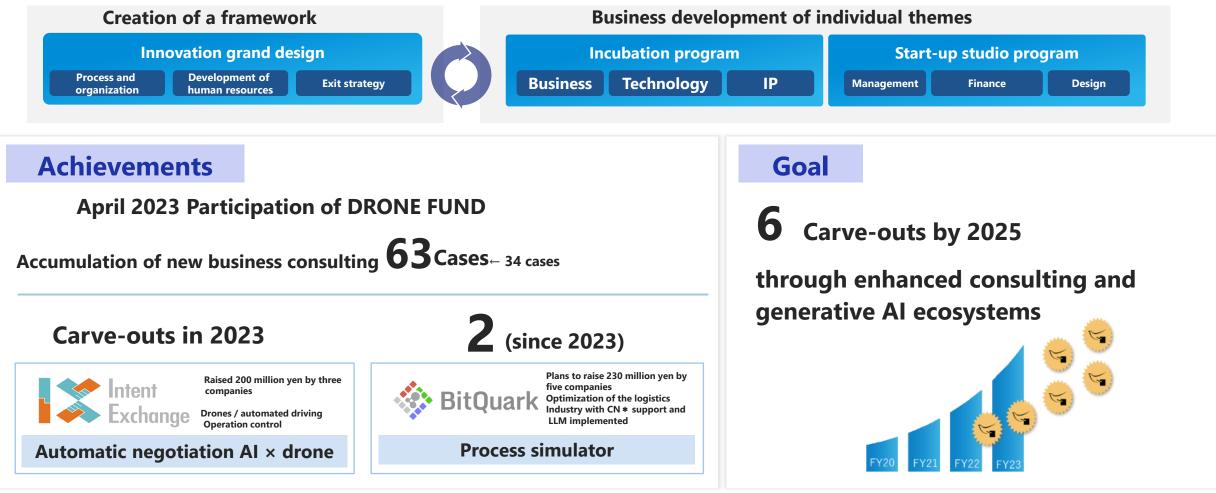
Panel Discussion



Overview of the venue

BIRD INITIATIVE : Collaborative R&D Business

Create innovation by combining technology, assets, and human resources of large corporations with external funds, human resources, and cutting-edge IT Accompanying as an innovation partner, provide services from applied research to business launch



Truly Open, Truly Trusted -This is NEC.

Realize a world where benefits are shared by all

Truly Open

Accelerating open innovation Leading open ecosystems

Truly Trusted

Supporting mission-critical systems Harnessing technology for social good

Orchestrating a brighter world



Cautionary Statement with Respect to Forward-Looking Statements

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The factors that may influence the operating results include, but are not limited to, the following:

- adverse economic conditions in Japan or internationally;
- · foreign currency exchange and interest rate risks;
- · changes in the markets in which the NEC Group operates;
- · the recent outbreak of the novel coronavirus;
- · potential inability to achieve the goals in the NEC Group's medium-term management plan;
- · fluctuations in the NEC Group's revenue and profitability from period to period;
- difficulty achieving the benefits expected from acquisitions, business combinations and reorganizations and business withdrawals;
- potential deterioration in the NEC Group's relationships with strategic partners or problems relating to their products or services;
- · difficulty achieving the NEC Group's growth strategies outside Japan;
- · potential inability to keep pace with rapid technological advancements in the NEC Group's industry and to commercialize new technologies;
- · intense competition in the markets in which the NEC Group operates;
- · risks relating to the NEC Group's concentrated customer base;
- difficulties with respect to new businesses;
- potential failures in the products and services the NEC Group provides;
- · potential failure to procure components, equipment or other supplies;
- · difficulties protecting the NEC Group's intellectual property rights;
- · potential inability to obtain certain intellectual property licenses;
- the NEC Group's customers may encounter financial difficulties;
- · difficulty attracting, hiring and retaining skilled personnel;
- · difficulty obtaining additional financing to meet the NEC Group's funding needs;
- · potential failure of internal controls;
- · potentially costly and time-consuming legal proceedings;
- · risks related to regulatory change and uncertainty;
- · risks related to environmental laws and regulations;
- · information security and data protection concerns and restrictions;
- · potential changes in effective tax rates or deferred tax assets, or adverse tax examinations;
- · risks related to corporate governance and social responsibility requirements;
- · risks related to natural disasters, public health issues, armed hostilities and terrorism;
- · risks related to the NEC Group's pension assets and defined benefit obligations; and
- · risks related to impairment losses with regard to goodwill.

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