

# YCP Holdings (Global) Limited Business plan and growth strategy

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# Introduction



## Company Overview Introduction



YCP Group started its business in August 2011 at Yamato Capital Partners (now YCP Solidiance). In order to actively hire non-Japanese professionals and be an international organization, we changed its name to YCP and became a Hong Kong-based holdings company in 2013. In 2021, the group moved its headquarters to Singapore, where it is advantaged as a hub site, and established YCP Holdings (Global) Limited as group management function behind the weight of Southeast Asia in the Group's revenue and personnel composition has increased.

**Global Locations**\*2

### An Overview of YCP Group

Company Name	YCP Holdings (Global) Limited	Asia (15 offices) Lebanon	MALLE.	Shang	Japan
Headquarters	3 Fraser Street, DUO Tower #05-21, Singapore		UAE	ndia Hong Ko Myanmar	<sup>ong</sup> Taiwan
Nature of Business	<ol> <li>Management Services</li> <li>Principal Investment</li> </ol>	Number of Professiona	als by Region	Thailand Vietr	Philippines nam
Year of Founding	August 2011	Japan : Southeast Asia : Greater China :	63 114 39	Malaysia Si Jakarta, Indonesia	ngapore Surabaya, Indonesia
Capital	USD 35,664,995	Middle East / India : 欧州	18 EU: 2 professionals	北米	(Digital Studio) USA: 2 professionals
Group CEO	Yuki Ishida		Amsterdam	USA	
Number of employees <sup>*1</sup>	Number of professionals: 238 Total number of including portfolio companies: 437				
-	er 30, 2021: the number of professionals by region is the total numbe ices is as of the date of submission of this document.	er of people in the Management	Services and Operation	ons divisions.	

## Management Team Introduction



We have a large number of professionals in specialized fields, with rich experience and insights from their time at major consulting firms, DX-related companies and businesses, financial institutions such as Goldman Sachs, and multinational businesses such as Procter & Gamble.

### Officers



#### Yuki Ishida

Director, Group CEO

- B.A., Cornell University; M.S., University of Tokyo
- Strategic Investment Division, Goldman Sachs Japan
- Founded the Group in 2011



#### Louisa Wong

Outside Director (Statutory Audit and Supervisory Committee Member)

- B.A., University of Toronto; M.B.A., Harvard Business School
- Morgan Guaranty Trust New York (now J. P. Morgan Chase & Co.); Founder, Bo Le Associates



Justin Leung

Director (Full-time Statutory Audit and Supervisory Committee Member)

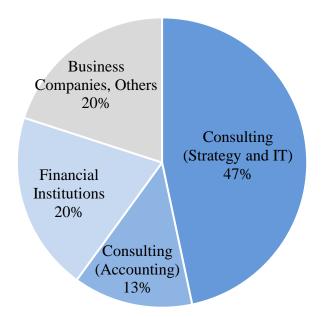
- B.A., Imperial College London; M.A., Stanford University
- McKinsey and Company, A.T. Kearney



#### Daisuke Iwase

Outside Director (Statutory Audit and Supervisory Committee Member)

- University of Tokyo and Harvard Business School
- Boston Consulting Group, Co-founder of Lifenet Insurance Co.

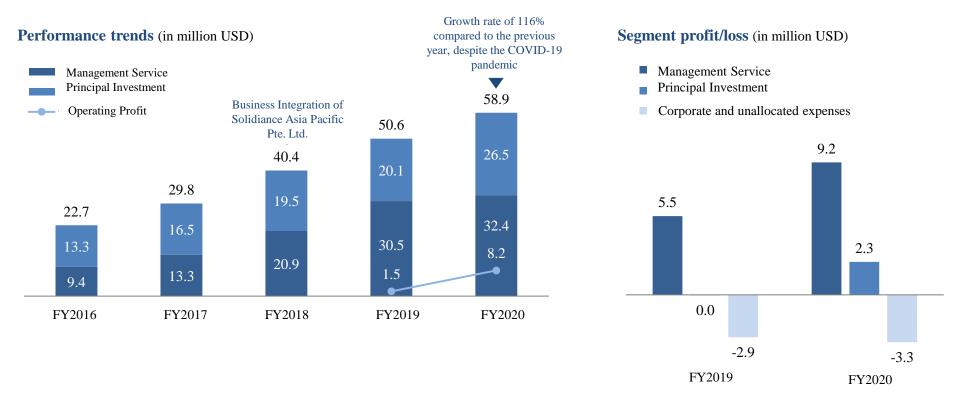


**Employee Background** 

\*: As of September 30, 2021, with approximately 30 people of partner rank and above.



In ten years since establishment, we have achieved a total revenue of USD 58.9 million (6.70 billion yen\*<sup>2</sup>) and an operating profit of USD 8.2 million (930 million yen\*<sup>2</sup>). We continue to expand our business through a hybrid model that combines the highly profitable and stable Management Services with Principal Investment and its inherent risk and scale-up nature.



\*1: The figures for the period from FY2016 to FY2018, are from the consolidated financial statements of Hong Kong-based YCP Holdings Limited (currently Y Asset Management Limited), which was the holding company of the Group at the time. For the period from FY2019 to FY2020 are from the combined financial statements of the Company, which is the current holding company of the Group. All the same in this document. \*2: Calculated using the exchange rate of 1 USD = 113.68 yen (exchange rate on October 29, 2021).

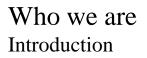
\*3: Segment income (loss) has not been prepared for FY2016 to FY2018, as we do not manage segment income (loss) in the same way as for FY2019 to FY2020. The segment profit/loss of the Principal Investment business includes the gain on valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss related to the shareholding in Ipet Insurance Company Limited (Ipet Holdings Company Limited from October 1, 2020) (FY2019: USD 1.1 million; FY2020: USD 0.8 million).



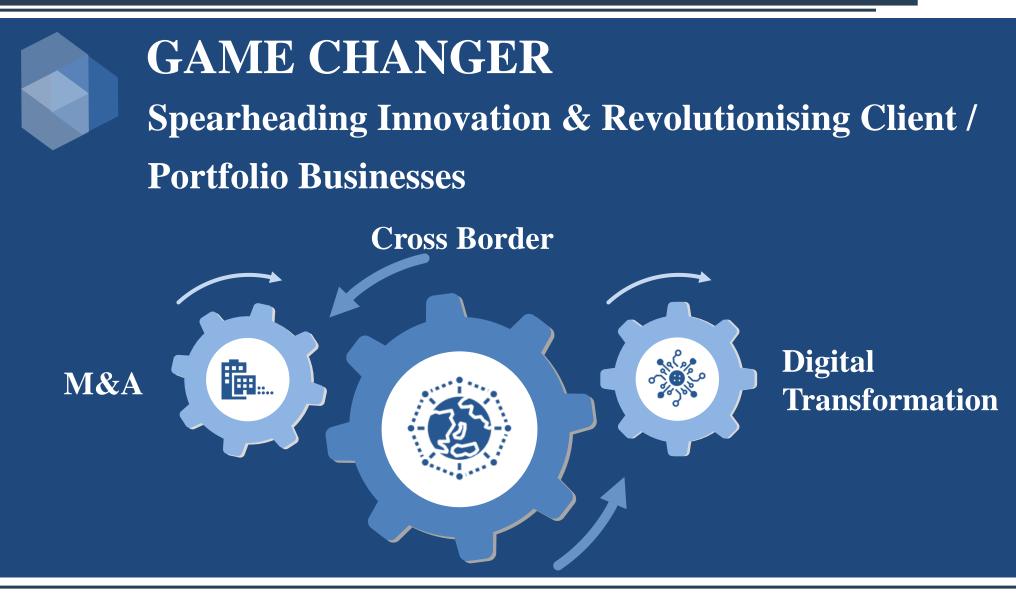
With 17 locations globally especially in Asia, we are operating two businesses: 1) Management Services, which helps our clients grow, scale, and transform, and 2) Principal Investment, which provides risk-money by equity capital and support for our portfolio companies.

		Business Overview Main Revenue Stream		<ul> <li>Performance* <ul> <li>(in million USD)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Revenue <ul> <li>Segment profit/loss</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Management Service		Provides a variety of management services in 6 areas including strategic consulting, M&A advisory, and digital solutions.	<ul> <li>The majority of our projects are quasi- delegated contracts in which we are stationed at the client's site for a long period of time and receive a fee on an hourly basis.</li> <li>Some delivery-based contracting also exist</li> </ul>	9.2		
	Personal Care	Multiple skincare brands under an "organic" and "made in Japan" concept, sold locally and overseas through the D2C model.	• A D2C model that eliminates intermediaries such as distributors and retailers by selling products directly to consumers online	0.4		
Principal Investment	Pet Care	Business succession of five veterinary hospitals, and regular sales of puppy training materials and fun boxes for adult dogs.	<ul><li>Veterinary fees</li><li>Sales of training materials and boxes</li></ul>	3.8 0.2		
Principal Investment	Strategic Investment	Investments in businesses that will become priority areas in the future, such as services for seniors and Japanese restaurants in Singapore and Hong Kong.	• Omitted due to the wide range of businesses.	6.7 1.6		

\*FY2020 result







# **Overview of the external environment**





Over the past few decades, Asia's steady growth has attracted investors from all over the world. Despite the effects of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the region has continued to maintain high economic returns, which is expected to progress even further in the near future.

M&A

M&A deal value in APAC has more than doubled in

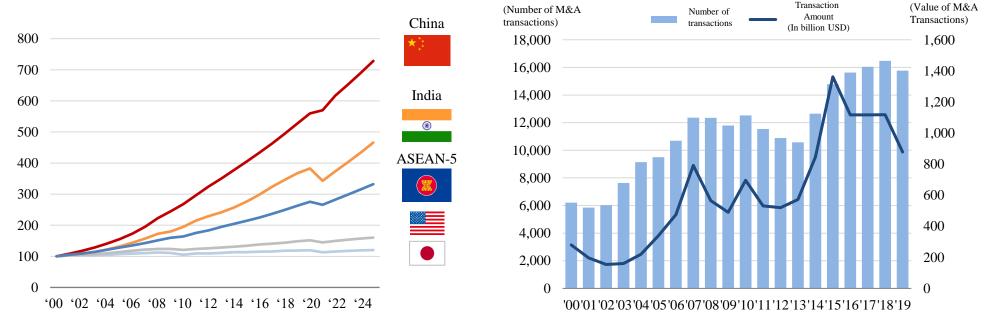
global M&A value since 2015.

the past 20 years, accounting for approximately 30% of

Number and Value of M&A transactions in APAC\*2

#### **GDP Growth Rate**\*1

Asia has the highest GDP growth rate in the world due China and ASEAN. Despite the temporary slowdown caused by the global pandemic, this high growth rate is expected to stay steady.



\*1 : Compiled by YCP based on real GDP growth rate data from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), using a value of 100 for year 2000 and multiplied by the growth rate for each year since 2001.

\*2 : Prepared by YCP based on data from IMAA: Number & Value of M&A Asia-Pacific (imaa-institute.org)

## Accelerating Digital Transformation Overview of the external environment



Establishment of a new Digital Agency

grants, including IT introduction subsidies

• The digital economy, including DX,

Global IT companies such as BATH National policies to promote DX

• The digital economy has grown to

30 trillion yen by  $2025^{*5}$ .

10 trillion yen and is expected to reach

• In just a few years, several digital platforms will be valued at more than 1 trillion yen.

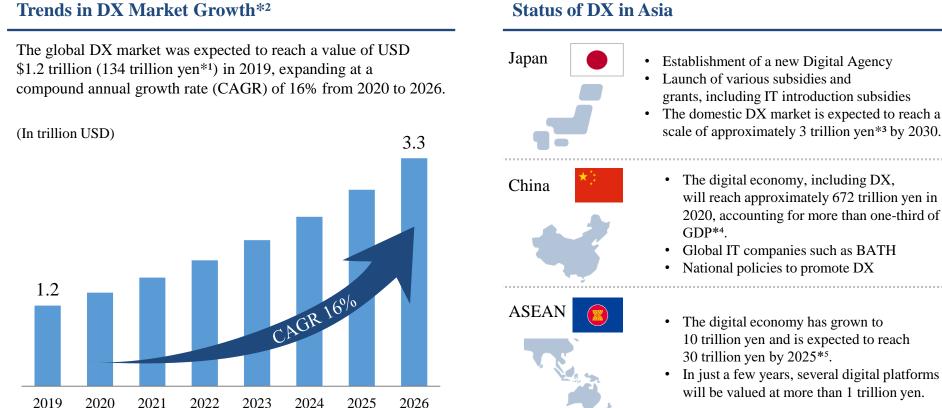
scale of approximately 3 trillion yen\*3 by 2030.

will reach approximately 672 trillion yen in 2020, accounting for more than one-third of

· Launch of various subsidies and

GDP\*4.

The global Digital Transformation (DX) market is expanding rapidly, and is expected to grow to USD 3.3 trillion (379 trillion yen\*1) by 2026 as Asian countries and companies are strongly promoting DX to leverage the region's economic growth.



**Trends in DX Market Growth\*2** 

\*1: Converted to Japanese yen using the exchange rate from October 29, 2021 (\$1 = 113.68 yen).

\*2: Prepared by YCP based on the research report "Digital Transformation Market: Current Scenario and Forecast (2020-2026)" published by UnivDatos Market Insights Pvt. Ltd. on November 1, 2020.

- \*3: Adapted from "2020 Digital Transformation Market Future Outlook" published by Fuji Chimera Research Institute, Inc. on September 10, 2020.
- \*4: Adapted from "China Internet Development Report 2021" presented at the Wuzhen Summit of the 2021 World Internet Congress.

\*5: Quoted from a report published by Thomson Reuters on October 3, 2019.

## **Introduction of Group Businesses**





YCP Solidiance, a wholly owned subsidiary of YCP Group, provides various management support services to clients in six areas, including M&A and digital solutions.

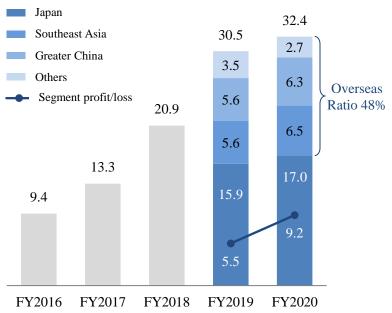
#### **Business Overview**

Services	Revenue by Serv	ice type*
	Advisory Service 19%	<ul> <li>High value-added services such as due diligence, financial advisory and global research</li> </ul>
Strategy Consulting		• Delivery-based contracting
M&A Advisory		Project Management Office
Digital Solutions	Management	(PMO)-type service that provides on-site, long-term implementation
Operation Improvement	Service 81%	for corporate transformation, such as M&A and DX
Marketing support		<ul> <li>Management/Organizational integration and value up after</li> </ul>
Global Research		<ul><li>M&amp;A for several years.</li><li>fees are paid on an hourly basis</li></ul>

YCP Solidiance provides a wide range of management services for clients in six key areas The majority of projects are on-site PMO projects, especially in the areas of M&A and DX implementation. Build long-term relationships with clients over several years and to accumulate projects on an ongoing basis, and as a result, repeat projects from existing clients account for about 90% of its business.

\* Actual results from January to October 2021.

#### Results by Region (in million USD)



Despite the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the company achieved 106% growth in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, compared to the previous fiscal year. Revenue (excluding intersegment revenue) was at USD 32.4 million, with a segment profit/loss of USD 9.2 million. About half of the firm's total revenue come from overseas, with the company continuing to expand its business not just in Japan but all over the world.

## Investment Policy in Principal investment Introduction of Group Businesses

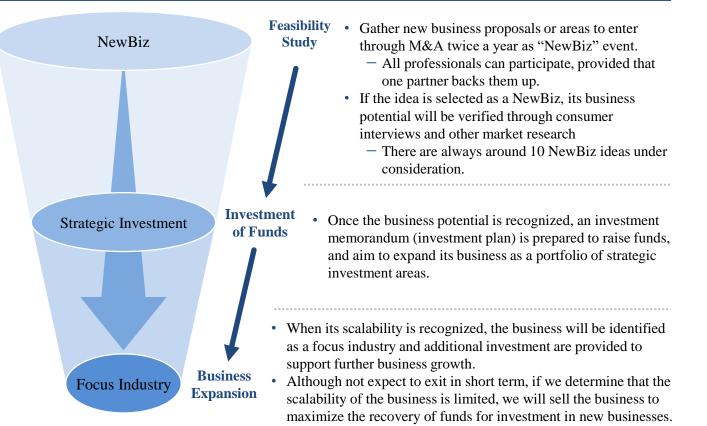


Utilizing the professional platform cultivated through the management service business, we invest its own funds in small and mediumsized emerging companies. Currently, we continue to make long-term investments in the personal care and pet care fields as a focus industry, also actively invest in business seeds as strategic investment areas which will become a focus industry in the future.

#### **Investment Requirements**

The following five criteria are set as investment requirements

- Expected business scale of USD 100 million or more in sales
- 2. A business that can expand globally and utilize the Group's professional platform
- Investment size should not exceed US\$20 million, including debt.
- 4. minimum 30% IRR (Internal Rate of Return).
- 5. Good learning opportunity for the Group's professionals to achieve "Strive for Growth"



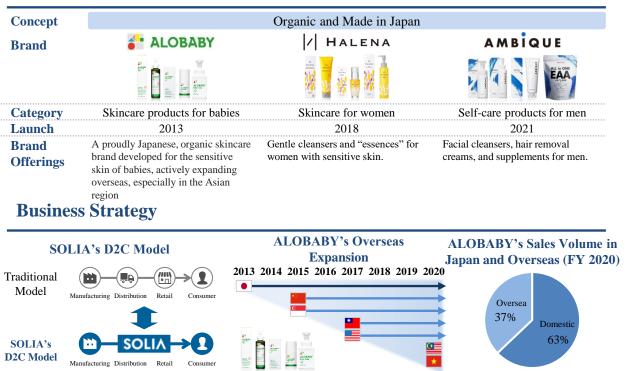
#### Flow of Principal Investment, from Start-up to Expansion

## Introduction of Personal Care Introduction of Group Businesses



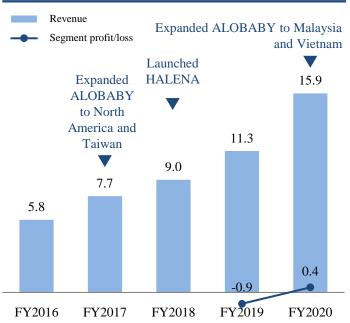
In the personal care business, SOLIA, a major consolidated subsidiary, develops brands specializing in personal care products throughout Asia. Under the vision of "Made in Japan to Global," the company aims to "enrich people's lives around the world with Made in Japan brands and make the Japanese people proud" by providing high-quality and reliable consumer goods brands to the world.

#### **Business Overview**



SOLIA was one of the first companies in the skincare market to adopt the D2C model, which eliminates intermediate distribution and sells directly to consumers online. While simultaneously developing multiple brands in Japan (mainly through e-commerce channels), the company has also utilized YCP group's global platform to expand its business to six countries and regions in the eight years since its launch, with 37% of the sales volume of its main brand, ALOBABY, coming from overseas.

#### Performance (in million USD)



In FY2020, SOLIA achieved revenue (excluding intersegment revenue) of USD 15.9 million, at 141% growth over the previous fiscal year, driven by the successful expansion of new brands. We have invested aggressively in advertising and promotion and are now focusing on expanding revenue and our customer base.

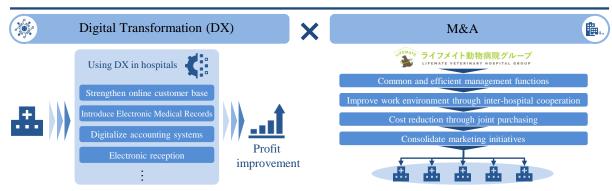


YCP Lifemate, a major consolidated subsidiary, is running business in pet care field under the vision of "bringing smiles to animals around the world with innovation and expertise". Now, it is operating a group of five veterinary hospitals and a business that sells puppy training materials and fun boxes for adult dogs through subscription model.

#### **Business Overview**

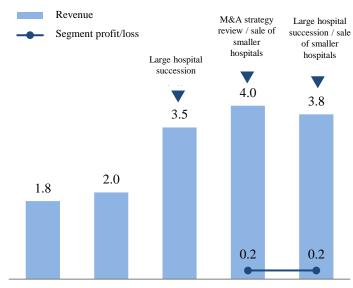
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Description	Animal hospital	Subscription boxes for adult dog products				
Investment 1	Period 2014 (start of business succession)	2017 (incubation investment)				
Results	Five veterinary hospitals are now a Group through business succession, which the company will continu- through M&A, aiming to establish 30 hospitals in Jap and begin overseas expansion.					

#### **Business Strategy**



Through the digital transformation of our veterinary hospitals, we aim to improve profitability by implementing management reforms through business succession. By grouping multiple hospitals together through M&A, we aim to create synergy through common and efficient management functions, improve working environments through inter-hospital cooperation, and eventually scale up the overall business.

#### **Performance** (in million USD)



FY 12/2016 FY 12/2017 FY 12/2018 FY 12/2019 FY 12/2020

In 2014, we took over Kawamura Animal Hospital and participated in the pet care field. Since 2018, YCP lifemate has focused on acquiring large hospitals and the digital transformation of operations, achieving sales revenue (excluding intersegment revenue) of USD 3.8 million in FY 2020. The company aims to expand this business segment through acquisition of large hospitals in the future.

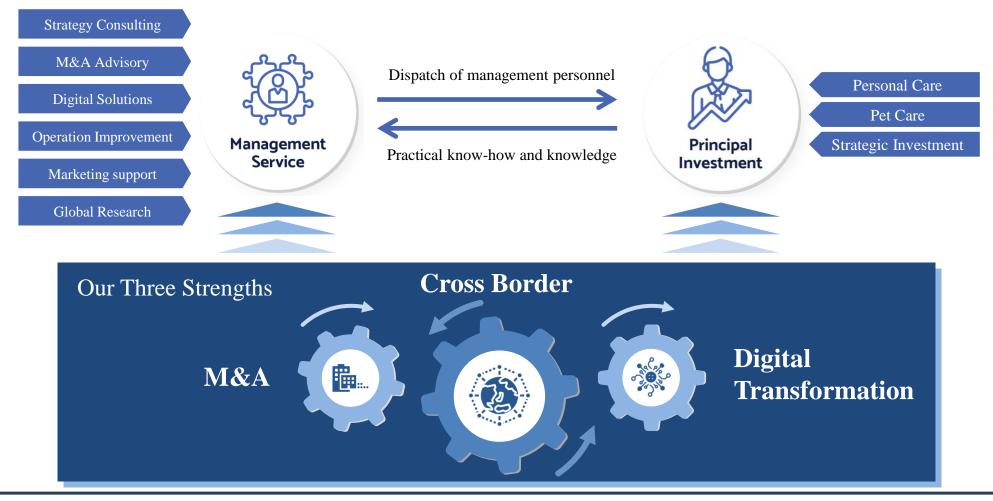
# **Our Strengths**



## Our Three Strengths Our Strengths



We accelerate the growth of both our management services and principal investments based on three strengths: cross-border business development through our global network, M&A expertise, and focus on digital transformation.



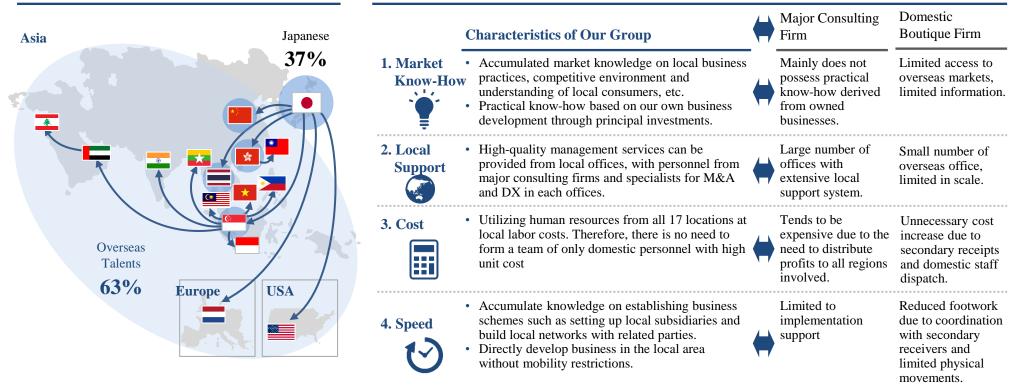
## 1. Game Change through Cross-Border: Expansion to 17 offices worldwide Our Strengths



In 10 years since establishment, we have expanded to 17 offices around the world, mainly in Asia. In October 2018, we merged with Solidiance Asia Pacific Pte. Ltd., a company which had been developing its consulting business mainly in Asia. The ratio of professionals outside Japan (including Japanese expatriates) exceeded 60% and have a large number of local professionals in each region. With offices throughout Asia, our local professionals are well versed in the market and can support business development in a speedy and flexible manner in close collaboration with other offices.

History of our overseas development and the ratio of professionals in overseas\*

Characteristics of our group in cross-border projects and comparison with other firms

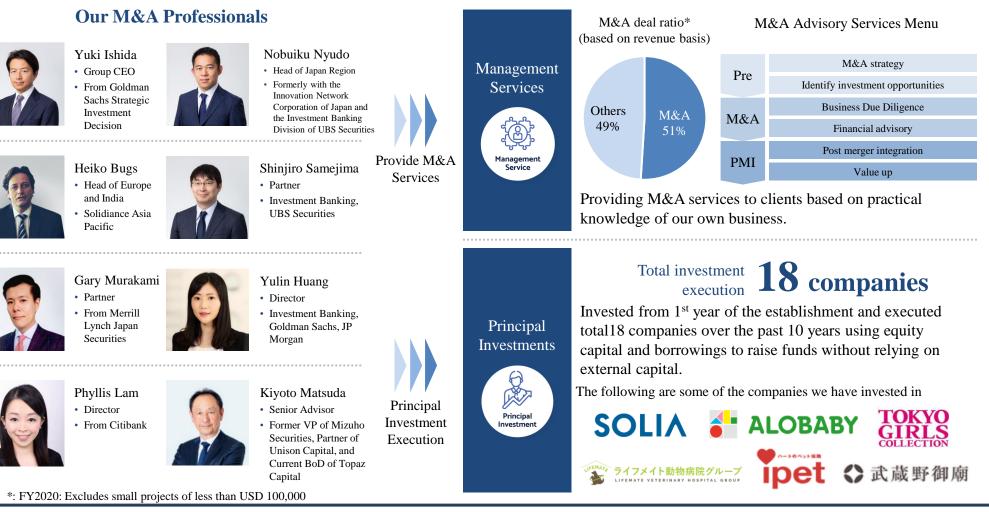


\*: As of September 30 2021, the ratio of human resource in Japan and overseas include both Management Services and Operations divisions

## 2. Game Change through M&A Our Strengths



With large number of professionals specializing in M&A, we provide a full range of M&A services, including preinvestment strategy development, identifying investment opportunity, initating post merger integration (PMI), and value up.





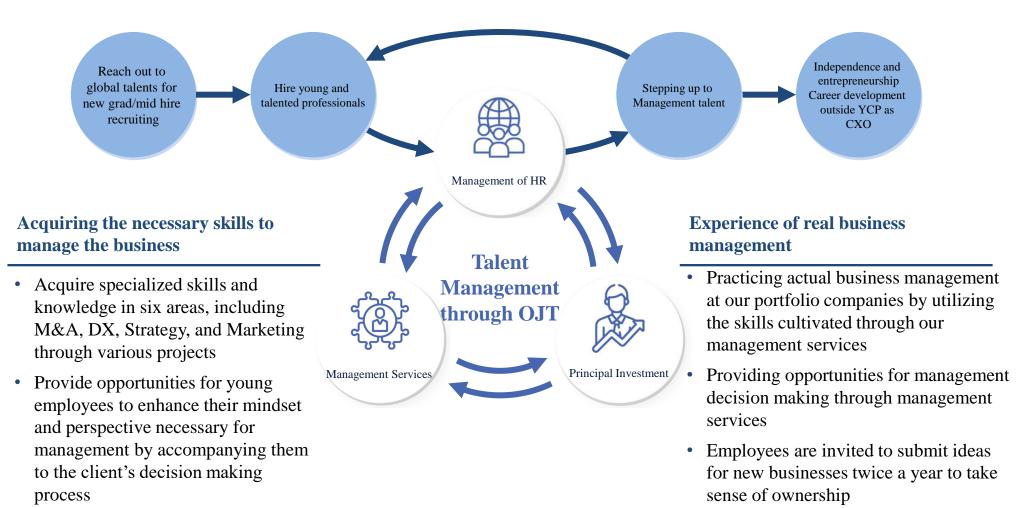
We have a dedicated unit to promote DX, an in-house development unit in Indonesia, and senior advisors as the leading expert in DX alongside the support of ABEJA, PLAID, and Morpho as the alliance.



## Talent management (On the Job Training) Our Strengths - Human Resource Strategies



We believe people is the source of our growth, the hybrid model of management services and principal investments function as a strength in recruiting and training talents.





In addition to the on-the-job training, we operate three training and personel evaluation programs globally to develop management personel: 1) YCP Academy, 2) Knowledge Sharing, 3)Evaluation and Feedback

		Overview	Frequency
<b>YCPA</b> c	cademy		
	New Joiner Training	<ul> <li>Conducted a two-week induction training for new employees</li> <li>Mindset training and practical training with evaluation on strategy/finance/marketing. Lecturers are in-house experts in their respective fields</li> </ul>	Every 3 months
	Intensive Training	<ul> <li>Advanced courses in strategy, finance, and marketing of introductory NJT course, expanding to more specialized content</li> <li>Examination result will be considered as one of criteria for promotion</li> </ul>	Monthly
Knowle	edge Sharing		
	<b>Project Sharing</b>	• Present/share specific cases of management services as case studies on a rotational basis to disseminate the knowledge and skills gained from individual cases to all professionals	Every 2 weeks
	Daily Report	• A system formalized as a daily report for employees to share and provide feedback within a group of several employees, which will eventually be supervised by partners to support further growth	Daily~Monthly
Evaluat	tion and Feedback		
ب	360-Degree Evaluation	<ul> <li>Clear and transparent quantitative evaluation by setting more than 20 evaluation criteria for skills and mindsets necessary for management professionals</li> <li>On top, qualitative evaluations based on supervisors and team members feedback revolving on strengths and weaknesses to accelerate growth</li> </ul>	Semi-Annually
	1on1	• Monthly 1on1 with the mentoring partner who also is the head of the Daily report group. On top, Group CEO conducts 1on1 with all professionals (or small group meetings) after the semi-annual 360-degree evaluation to commit to their growth.	Weekly~Semi- Annually

# Future Growth Strategy





Enhancing the business foundation of the management services business, we will strengthen existing businesses in principal investment and aggressively pursue M&A from the perspective of "DX x M&A x Asia. Through this action plan, we aim to become a leading firm in Asia.

Illustration of Mid/Long-term	<b>Growth Strategy</b>	gy Roadmap					
Revenue (Illustration)			2022	2023	2024	2025~	
$\uparrow$	M&A×Asia	Acquisition of top players in niche markets and expansion to Asian markets					
	DX×Asia	Adopting digital innovation in Asia's legacy industries such as construction, agriculture, and healthcare					
FY21-23 Investment	Personal Care	Launch new domestic brands and strengthen overseas development of ALOBABY					
Mid-Term Plan	Pet Care	Continued succession of large veterinary hospitals and M&A in peripheral areas					
	Food and Beverage	Focus on sustainability and expand to upstream such as food processing, agriculture and fisheries through M&A					
	M&A	Strengthen presence in China and India, where market growth is remarkable					
Management Service	Product Development	Product development and sales expansion for B2B in the peripheral area of management services					
	Organic Growth	Continuously increase recruitment and training, and continue to capture demand for PMO support, for which strong demand is expected.					
Current Time							



Market

In management services, in addition to organic growth through continuous expansion of the organization, we aim to achieve exponential growth through the acquisition of local firms in India and China and the productization of services for B2B.

#### **Organic Growth**



Exponential growth through M&A X Scale through productization

DX



- Demand of PMO support for M&A and DX implementation is strong, and we expect organic annual revenue growth of 15% in Japan, 30% overseas, and 20% overall compared to the previous fiscal year
- Annual unit price improvement in overseas to be about 10% from the previous fiscal year.
- Continuously increase the number of professionals\*, the foundation for business expansion, both in Japan and overseas, to reach 235 head count by 2023.
- Integration with Solidiance Asia Pacific Pte. Ltd. in 2018 led to rapid expansion of the management services (sales growth of 157% in FY18 and 146% in FY19)
- Considering M&A of local boutique firms to strengthen our presence in India and China, which are large markets
- Of the various service lineups currently offered, some of the services such as DX solutions and market research will be cut out and standardized and incorporated into highly versatile products.

**Product lineup under discussion** 

Management

Service

Marketing

Coaching

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• Promote external sales of standardized products by the middle office and aim to scale as a peripheral business to management services.

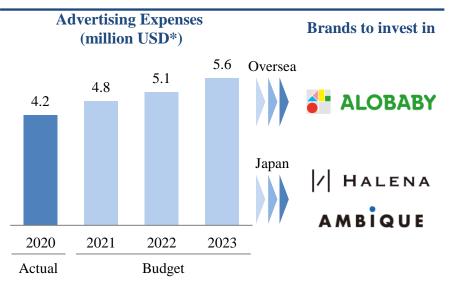
\*Number of full-time employees in the Management Services as of the end of each fiscal year (excluding Operations divisions)

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Most of the funds raised through this listing will be invested in personal care and pet care, the focus industries of principal investment. In the long term, we aim to list each of them independently, raise additional funds, and reinvest in management services and new business seeds to accelerate the growth of the entire group.

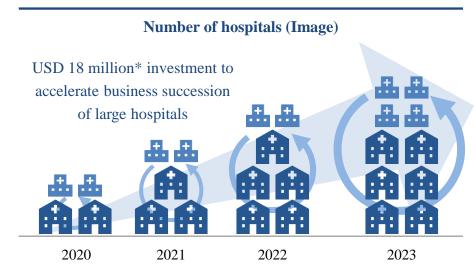
### **Personal Care**



- In addition to the cash generated by the main brand ALOBABY, ٠ we will continue to aggressively invest in advertising to scale up sales and profits by using the funds raised through the listing.
- Aim to strengthen sales of ALOBABY overseas, especially in • China. In Japan, launch new brands such as HALENA and AMBIQUE by expanding its customer base, especially through the fast-growing EC channel, and increasing the number of repeat customers on its official website.

\* Calculated using the exchange rate of 1 USD = 113.68 ven (exchange rate on October 29, 2021)

#### **Pet Care**



- Continue to aggressively promote the succession of large hospitals at one or two hospitals each year, using the funds raised and further generate the synergy among hospitals.
- In addition to improving operational efficiency through DX at the succeeding hospitals, we will actively invest in digital marketing and other advertising to increase the number of new patients and further strengthen the profitability of each hospital

KPIs for each business and growth plan are as follows

Business		KPI		FY2020 actual		Growth plan
Management Services		Management Services Number of professionals Management Services*1		166		Continuously increase headcount both in Japan and overseas,
			Annual sales per head* <sup>2</sup>	ual sales per head*2 USD 223,000		maintaining a certain level of unit cost, to establish a total of 235 employees by FY23
	Personal	₩	Number of new customers* <sup>3</sup> ⁄year	161,708		Develop new customer segments by launching new brands, and
	Care	( )	Repeat rate* <sup>4</sup>	23.6%		strengthen repeat business by strengthening subscriptions
Principal Investments	Det Care	Ĥ	Number of veterinary hospitals	4 hospitals		Continue to aggressively pursue M&As with large hospitals and
Principal Investment	Pet Care	Ż.	Number of new patients / year	2,735		increase the number of new patients through aggressive investment in digital marketing
	Strategic Investment	Y	Number of areas addressed	2 areas <sup>*5</sup>		Identifying new projects from the perspective of Asia x M&A x DX

\*1: Number of full-time employees in the Management Services as of the end of each fiscal year (excluding Operations divisions)

\*2: External revenue in management services for each fiscal year divided by the average number of professionals (excluding Operations division), including subcontractors, during the fiscal year

\*3: Number of new customers on the official website, Rakuten, and Amazon

\*4: Repeat customers are defined as those who make a second purchase within 180 days of their first purchase and those who continue to purchase 180 days after their first purchase for subscriber.

\*5: Two areas: Japanese restaurants overseas and services for seniors in Japan.

# Major risks and countermeasures





The following are the major risks that we recognize as having the potential to affect our future growth and the execution of our business plan. For other risks, please refer to "Business and Other Risks" in the Securities Registration Statement.

Major Risks		Possibility	Time	Impact	Risk Response Measures
Risks related t social and economic conditions and natural disasters	regulations, and social conditions, materialize and make it difficult to conduct business smoothly, it may affect our business development, financial position, and business performance.	Medium	Short- term	High	By further diversifying and globalizing our business, we will work to diversify the risk of social and economic conditions, including natural disasters, that may occur in specific markets.
Risks related t exchange rate	liabilities in multiple exchange currencies and translating them into	High	Short- term	Medium	In order to minimize this risk, we manage our assets mainly in the U.S. dollar, which is the functional currency of the Group, and the Japanese yen, which has high cost and investment needs. In addition, the Group strives to conduct transactions, etc. with customers in U.S. dollars or Japanese yen, rather than in the local currency, whenever possible.
Risks related t securing human resources	In the management services business, the Group considers the recruitment and training of excellent human resources to be important for future business expansion. In the event that the Group is unable to maintain its recruiting competitiveness due to intensifying competition for human resources, there is a possibility that the recruitment of human resources will fall short of the plan or lead to an outflow of human resources outside the Group, which may affect the Group's business development and performance.	Medium	Long- term	Medium	We are striving to secure human resources by diversifying our recruitment methods and the types of people we target. In addition, we provide a unique education and training program called YCP Academy, as well as thorough feedback during on-the-job training to develop human resources.



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Major Risks		Possibility	y Time	Impact	Risk Response Measures
Risks related to new investments	In the principal investment business, the Group develops its business by utilizing M&A. In M&A, the Group conducts detailed due diligence on the target company and strives to avoid risks. However, in the event that unforeseen risks are uncovered after an acquisition and these risks become apparent, the Group may not be able to achieve its initial profit plan, which may affect its financial position and business performance.	Medium	Short- term	Medium	We will conduct due diligence on the target company in advance, and will proceed with new investments after fully considering the risks discovered.
Risks related to the business management of investee companies	In the principal investment business, it is necessary to conduct risk management based on the business-specific risks of each investee company. However, if risk management does not function sufficiently, risks specific to each business may become apparent, which may affect the reputation, financial position, and business performance of the Group.	Medium	Medium- term	Medium	Professionals from the Management Services Division are directly involved in the management of all investee companies to identify risks specific to each business, and report and manage risks to the monthly investee management meetings, Group Management Committee, and Group Board of Directors.
Risks related to information management	In most of the Group's businesses, it is assumed that the Group will acquire confidential and personal information of client companies. Despite our strict information management and thorough employee training, if for some reason this information were to leak outside the Group, it could have an impact on the Group's reputation, business development, financial position, and business performance.	Low	Short- term	High	We have established a strict management system for confidential information and personal information, and strengthened information security measures by developing rules and regulations regarding the handling of information, as well as ensuring that employees and others are fully aware of these rules and regulations.





### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

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These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, general domestic and international economic conditions such as industry and market conditions, interest rates and prices, and currency exchange rate fluctuations.

The information contained in these financial statements regarding companies and industries other than the Company and its group companies is based on publicly available information and is not guaranteed as to its accuracy.