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Image: Umeda, Osaka



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A summary of the strategy framework

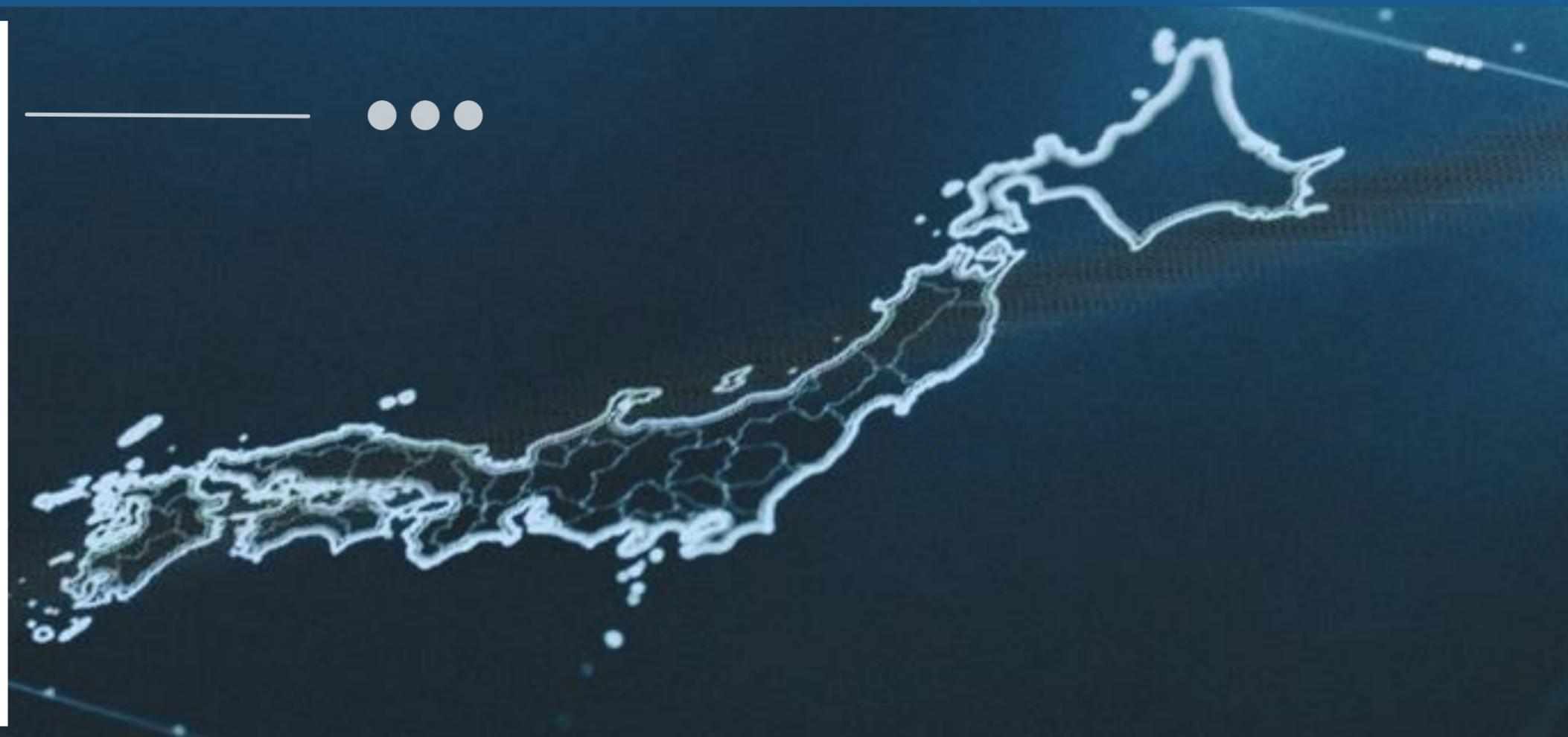
Image of a Global Financial City that Osaka aims to be:

- A global city that develops by attracting finance, talent & business from Asia and the rest of the world.
- A globally competitive financial frontrunner city through advanced initiatives.

Osaka Global Finance One-Stop Support Center

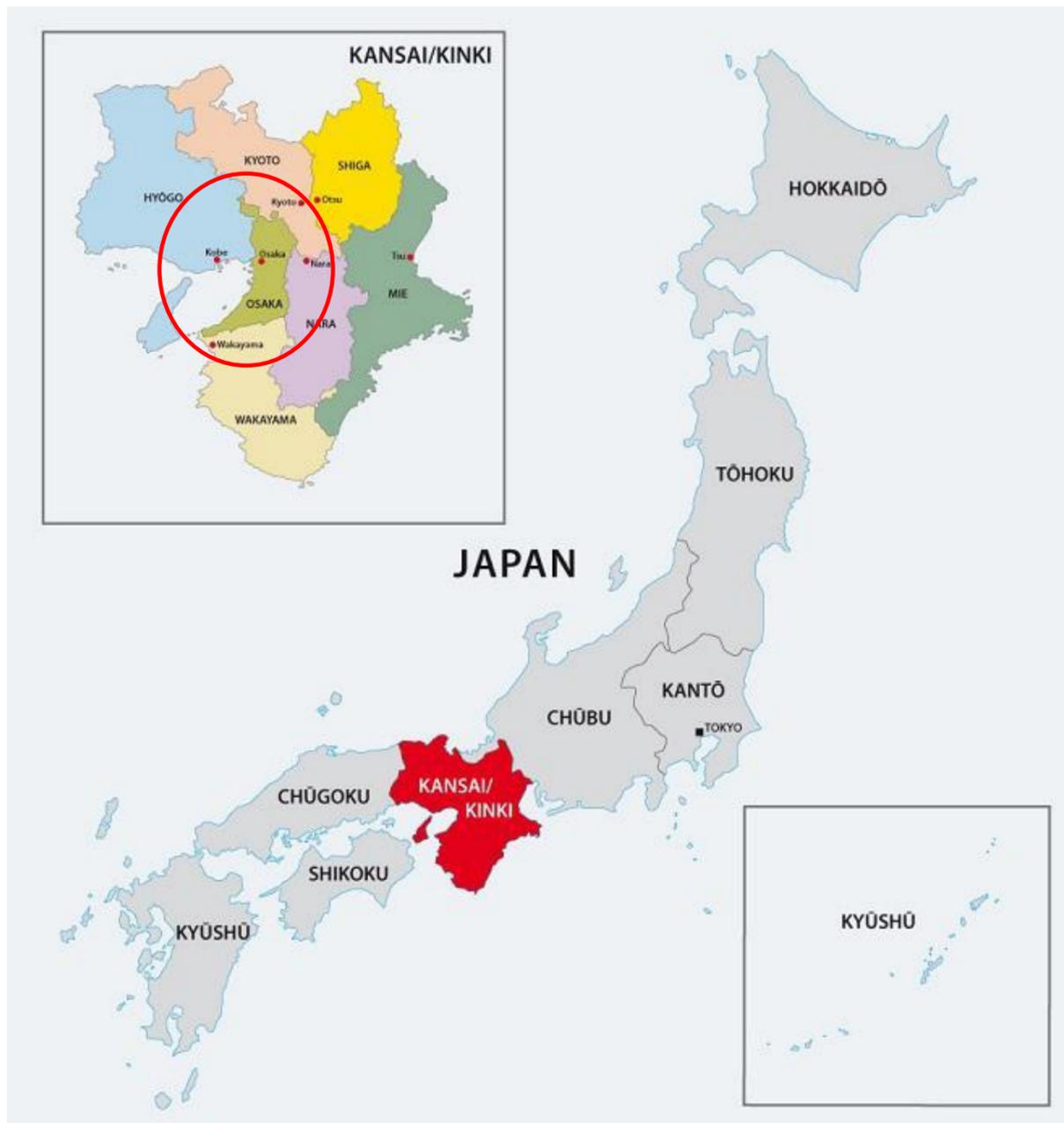
On Dec 2021, we officially **launched a center to support overseas financial corporations and foreign investors** entering Osaka.

The center provides consultation services for finance, business, or office location inquiries.



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Features of OSAKA



- Located in the center of Japan, Osaka lies in the heart of Kansai region, the second largest metropolitan area after Tokyo, with a population of 8.77million and a regional GDP of JPY 41trillion.

Prefecture	Population (million)	GDP (trillion Yen)
Tokyo	14.03	113
Osaka	8.77	41
Aichi	7.49	40
Hokkaido	5.14	20
Fukuoka	5.11	19

*1:Osaka Prefectural Government “Estimated population of Osaka Prefecture every month” <https://www-pref-osaka-lg-jp-e.atp.transer.com/o040090/toukei/jinkou/index.html>

*2:Osaka Prefectural Government “Osaka Prefecture Civil Economic Calculation” <https://www-pref-osaka-lg-jp-e.atp.transer.com/o040090/toukei/gdp/index.html>

*3: Cabinet Office ”National Accounts (GDP Statistics) 2022” https://www.esri.cao.go.jp/jp/sna/data/data_list/kenmin/files/contents/main_2021.html

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Global Rise & Green Transformation

- **GGPCI 2025: 35th → 18th, one of the world's largest jumps**
- **Top gains in Cultural Interaction (13th) and Livability (8th)**
- **Environmental ranking improved from 39th (2024) to 32nd (2025), reflecting progress in decarbonization, urban greening, and Expo-driven sustainability initiatives toward an “environmentally advanced city”**



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Key Industries in OSAKA

Life Science



Value of pharmaceutical production
3rd largest in Japan (2018)

Takeda Pharmaceutical / Ono
Pharmaceutical

Chemical Industry



Product shipments in the chemical
industry 2nd largest in Japan (2016)

Sekisui Chemical / Daicel

Food Industry



Known as the “kitchen of the nation”
since the Edo period(1603-1867), Osaka
has shaped Japan’s food culture

Suntory / Asahi Breweries / Nissin Foods

Renewable Energy



Lithium batteries export share in Japan
70.1% (2019)

Panasonic / Iwatani

Electrical Equipment



Manufactured goods shipment of electric
equipment 4th largest in Japan(2019)

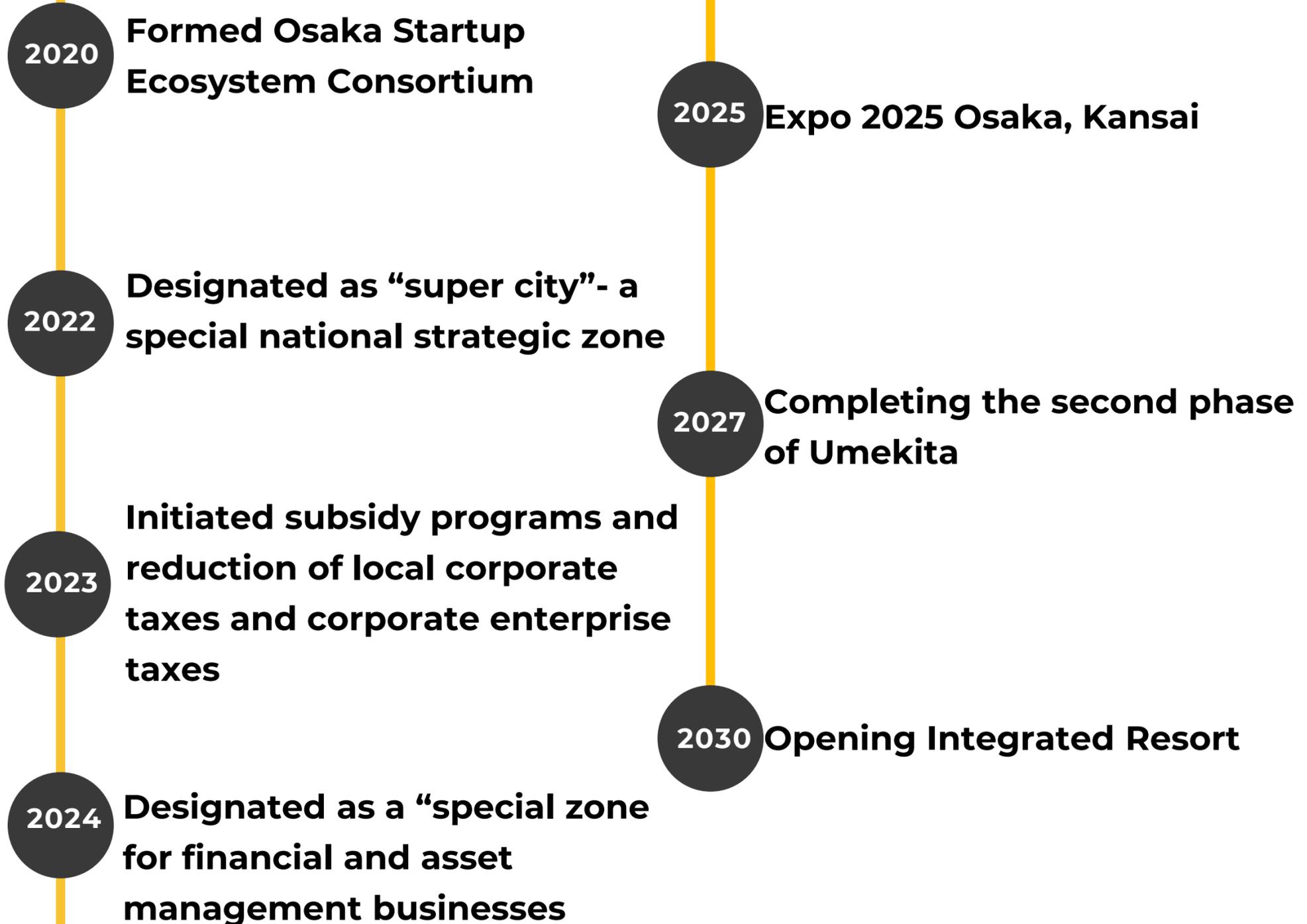
Panasonic / Sharp

Tourism



Foreign visitors
(2014) 3.76 million → (2024) 14.09 million
Universal Studios Japan also contributed
to the increase in tourists

Strategic Planning of Osaka



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Click the link or scan the code to watch the video about One-Stop Support Center
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luHncHdZI1c>



Primary Application Counter

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Information and support for financial procedures in line with the Japanese legal systems



Referrals to financial experts, government agencies, lawyers, etc.



Referrals to organizations related to housing, medical care, and education, etc.



Primary application counter for subsidy



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Primary Application Counter Center for Subsidy



① Preliminary survey

Maximum subsidy amount: **¥ 1,100,000**

② Base establishment

50% of expenses to be subsidized.

Maximum subsidy amount: **¥ 10,000,000**



Prior consultation with the Osaka Global Finance One-Stop Support Center and the Osaka Prefecture/Osaka City government is a mandatory step toward subsidy application.

First please contact the Support Center.

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Local Tax Reduction for Overseas Financial Corporations

A scheme under which foreign financial companies locating in Osaka City are eligible for exemptions from corporate tax, corporate inhabitant tax, and corporate enterprise tax for up to a maximum of 10 years.

Taxes eligible for tax credit	Osaka Prefecture	Corporate inhabitant tax (per capita levy/corporation levy), Corporate tax
	Osaka City	Corporate inhabitant tax (per capita levy/ corporation levy)
Effective tax credit rate	Tax credit calculated based on the proportion of the corporation's business activities engaged in "eligible business activities" below (100% at maximum)	
Eligible business activities	Asset Management & Fintech	
Eligible corporations	Corporation which establish and maintain a legal entity/branch office in Osaka City on or after 1 November 2023	
Tax Credit Validity (term)	Up to 10 years	

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Support for obtaining financial licences, etc

Free legal advice is provided
by a consortium of
Osaka-based professionals
(Up to 2 times an hour)



The “**Osaka Virtual Office**” of the “**Financial Market Entry Office**,” established by the **Financial Services Agency (FSA)**, was launched to provide pre-registration consultations and registration procedures **in English** for overseas asset management companies and other entities. It offers a one-stop service for these operations, enabling more seamless procedures via the Support Center.

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Assistance in opening bank accounts



*This flow diagram is an example.

The procedure differs depending on the bank where the account is to be opened.

Compatible financial institutions: 5banks (as of 28 April, 2025)



**Account
Opening!!**



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List of Banks registered for the network supporting non-Japanese clients opening a bank account (corporate bank account)

	Resona Bank	MUFG Bank	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking	Mizuho Bank	SBI Shinsei Bank
Branch in charge	Umeda Branch (Umeda) Osaka Sales Dept. (Sakaisuji Hommachi)	Osaka Sales Dept. (Yodoyabashi)	(To be notified when consulted) ※The branch closest to the sales office will be the one in charge.	Osaka Branch (Yodoyabashi)	Osaka Branch (Umeda : Osaka Fukoku Seimei Building)
No. of visits required (In general)	1	2 ※Booking of visits is necessary.	1	2	1
Expected duration	Approx. a few weeks	Approx. a few weeks	Approx. 1 month	Approx. 1 month	Approx. 1 month after visit
Handling charge for opening an account	Free of charge in general ※A separate fee is charged for online corporate banking services.	Free of charge in general ※¥1,760/ month (as of March, 2025) is charged for online banking services.	Free of charge in general ※Monthly handling fee, bank transfer fee, etc. are charged for online banking services.	Free of charge in general ※¥1,100 is charged for issuing an ATM card and a physical bank book.	Free of charge ※Monthly handling fee, bank transfer fee, etc. are charged separately for online corporate banking services.
Other remarks	• ATM indication and operation guide are available in Japanese only.	—	—	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank books and ATM cards are not issued. • There are no ATM services for corporate clients (individual consultation is available in case of cash transactions). • Online corporate banking services are available in Japanese only. • The services are available for corporate bank accounts only.



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Administrative procedure in English for incorporation

Foreign companies in the financial sector can apply **in English** for procedures related to **company incorporation and social insurance**.

	Incorporation related (Jurisdiction of Ministry of Justice)	Social Insurance (Jurisdiction of Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare)
Target Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Incorporation registration2. Attestation of the articles of incorporation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Employees' Pension Insurance and Employees' Health Insurance2. Labor Insurance3. Labor Standards4. Employment insurance

*There are specific requirements for support, so please be sure to check them during the consultation.





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Case Study 1



An Asian company

Purpose: Create cloud based new financial business

We supported to obtain the Subsidy from Osaka Government and open a bank account.

We are supporting to Introduce law firm to apply for financial licenses



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Case Study 2



A Japanese start-up of DeFi based on blockchain technology.

Purpose : Expand opportunities of DeFi in Japanese financial industry specially in Osaka.

We supported to apply for the Subsidy of Osaka Government and introduce high-tech office with good location.

We will support try to introduce possible business partners.



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Case Study 3



Asian company providing KYC identification system based on blockchain technology.

Purpose: Expand blockchain based business in Japanese financial industry.

We advised to obtain the Subsidy from Osaka Government.

We are supporting to introduce an office for registration and potential financial business partner.

If your company is interested in doing business in Osaka, please do not hesitate to contact the Osaka Global Finance One-Stop Support Center at

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For Your Attention

