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#### Notice Regarding the Medium-Term Management Plan (Hakuto 2028)

#### and 2030 VISION

We have established a new medium-term management plan (fiscal year ending March 31,2026 - fiscal year ending March 31,2029) and 2030 VISION.

#### 1. 2030VISION

We have established the 2030 Vision "We will become the irreplaceable enabler for accelerating client success" as the goal in our new medium-term management plan. Our company aims to expand its role as an enabler through the consideration of the solution from the client's perspective and adding our strengths in technical capabilities that we have cultivated over time, and leveraging creativity, conceptual capability, and high energy—offering essential value for client business success and growth—thereby realizing our vision.

#### 2. New Medium-Term Management Plan (Hakuto 2028)

As a hybrid company that combines two business areas, electronics and chemicals, along with the functions of both a trading company and a manufacturer, we have formulated a new medium-term management plan called "Hakuto 2028," spanning until the fiscal year 2028. With this, we aim for long-term growth and new value creation. Despite the increasing global uncertainties such as rising prices and resource costs, and the strategic importance of semiconductors, the electronics industry is expected to continue its robust growth, largely driven by various investments in AI and semiconductor manufacturing. Furthermore, the role and relevance of trading companies within our industry are evolving, prompting a reevaluation of their significance. In this business environment, our group aims to establish irreplaceable trust with our customers by pursuing the unique values we offer, positioning this medium-term management plan as a critical milestone.

Please refer to the attached documents for details.

# Medium-Term Management Plan Hakuto 2028

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Hakuto Co., Ltd. April 30, 2025







# "We will become the irreplaceable enabler for accelerating client success

Improve the value provided (goods and services) from the customer's viewpoint. Play a central role in solving challenges and supporting client success.



# Part. 1 Review of the Previous Medium-Term Management Plan

# Part. 2 New Medium-Term Management Plan Hakuto 2028

# Part. 3 Business Strategy by Segment



# Part. 1 Review of the Previous Medium-Term Management Plan

### Review of the Previous Medium-Term Management Plan (Quantitative Aspects)



9.0 or higher

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Revised

Target (Revised in

April 2023)

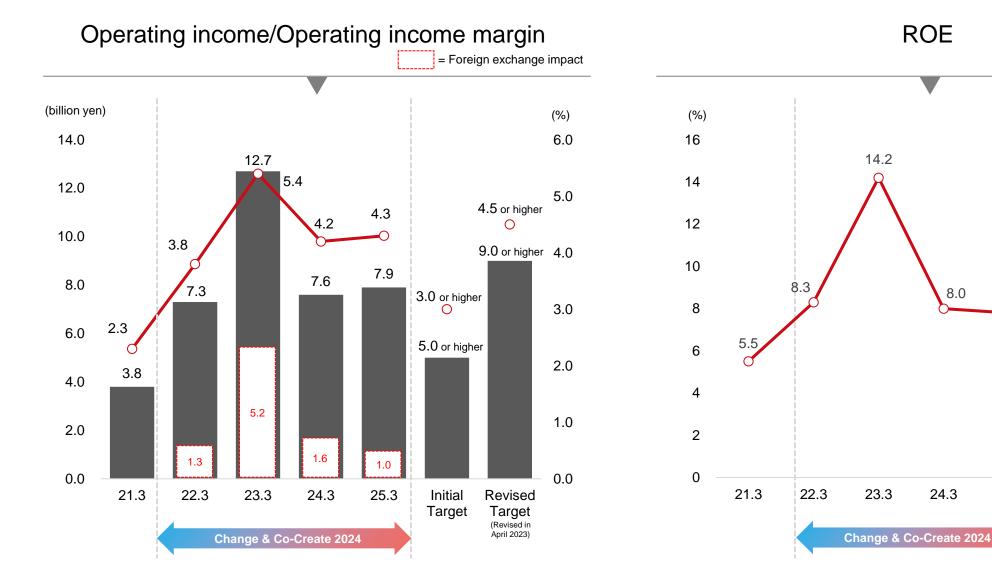
6.0 or higher

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Initial

Target

# Exceeded the Initial Target from the First Year, Cleared the Revised Target Only for FY3/2023.



ROE

8.0

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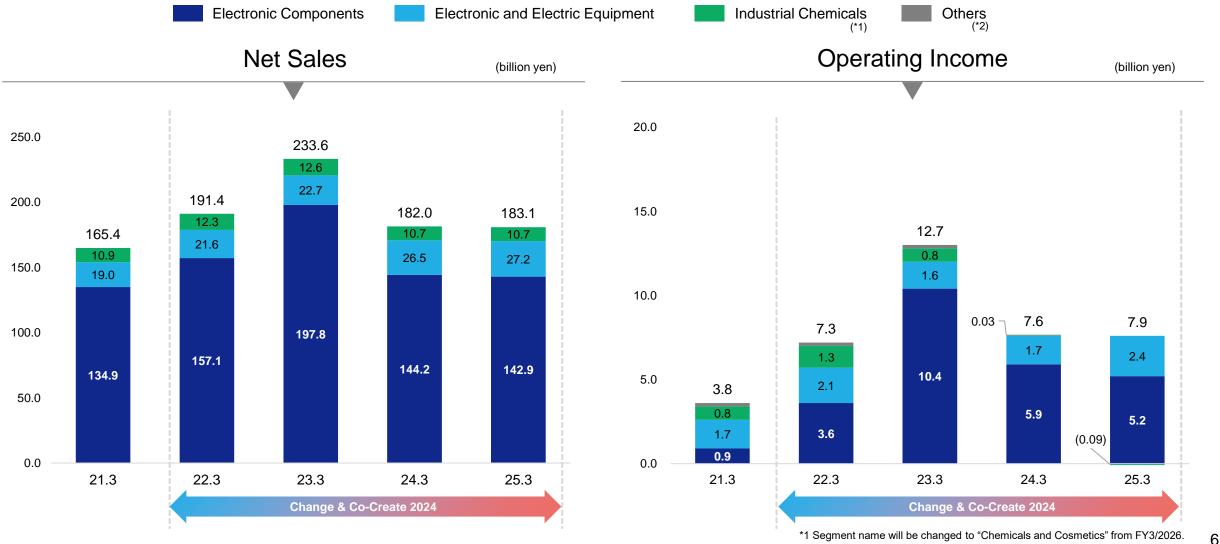
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Review of the Previous Medium-Term Management Plan (Performance by Segment)



# Electronic Components Leads Both Sales and Income, Against the Backdrop of **Expanding Demand for Semiconductors**



\*1 Segment name will be changed to "Chemicals and Cosmetics" from FY3/2026. \*2 Others: Photovoltaic generation

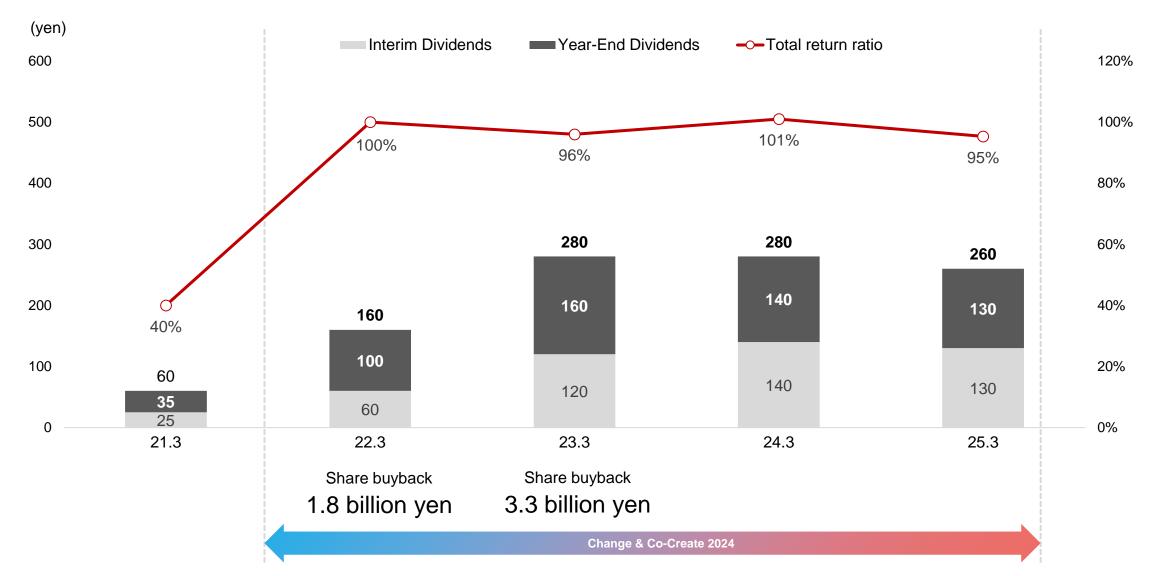


Priority Strategies	Level of Achievement	Initiatives and Results
Investment of resources in highly profitable businesses	0	<ul> <li>Review of business portfolios in each business segment</li> </ul>
Created value through cross-departmental information and technology collaboration	0	<ul> <li>Expanded sales of Al/IoT solutions jointly with Semiconductor Devices &amp; Chemicals and Cosmetics</li> <li>Started planting the seeds for the new Medium-Term Management Plan across business divisions and administrative divisions</li> </ul>
DX strategy to accelerate the realization of business reforms	0	<ul> <li>Back-end DX : Reduced approximately 900 hours of work time</li> <li>Obtained the "DX Certification" (certified by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry) in March 2025</li> </ul>
External collaborations and M&A	Ø	<ul> <li>In September 2024, acquired CLEARIZE Co., Ltd. as a subsidiary</li> <li>Expanded and strengthened materials and environmental analysis operations</li> </ul>
Collaboration with external resources (Open Innovation)	0	<ul> <li>In July 2024, entered into capital and business alliance with EneCoat Technologies Co., Ltd., and launched sales collaboration of perovskite solar cells</li> </ul>

Shareholder Returns



# Achieved 100% Total Return Ratio through Dividends and Share Buybacks As Per the Initial Basic Policy

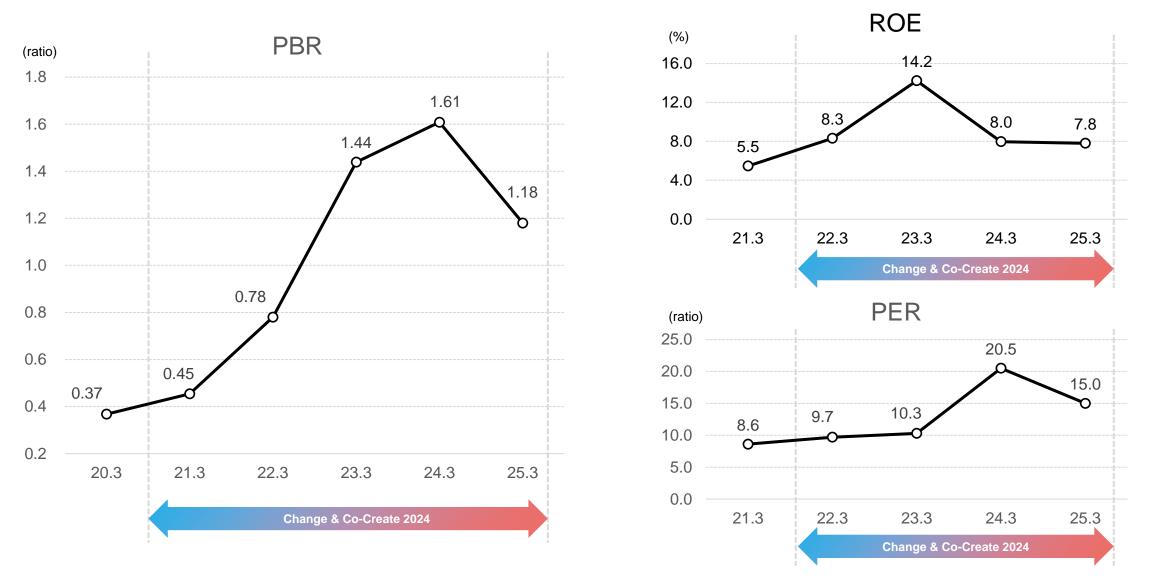


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### Corporate Value Indicators



# Achieved PBR Greater than 1.0, Due to Earnings Growth and Aggressive Shareholder Returns



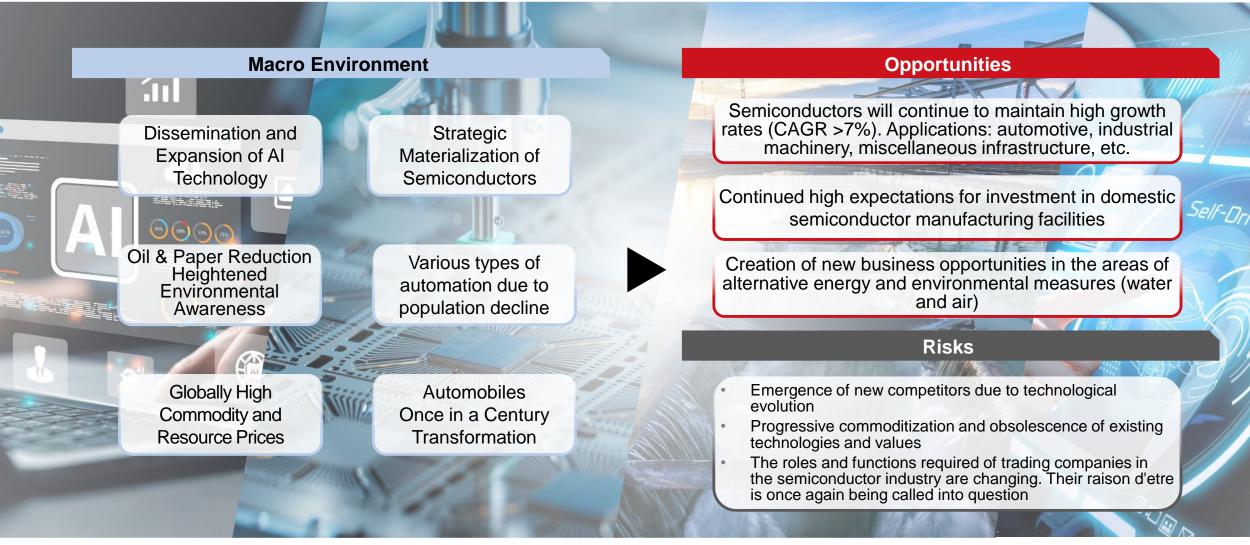


# Part. 2 New Medium-Term Management Plan Hakuto 2028

### Changes in the External Environment



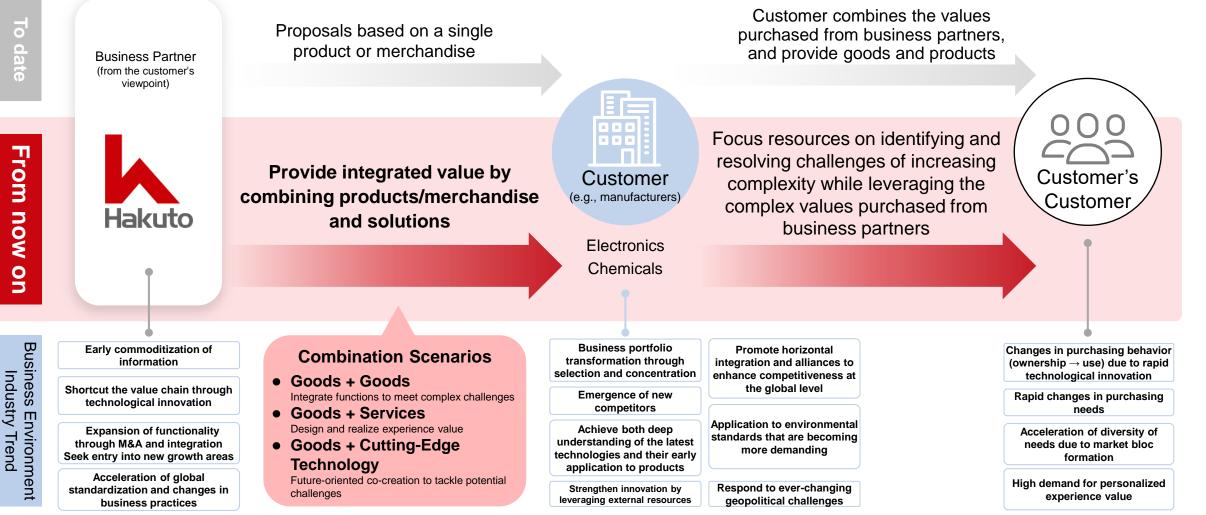
The Pace of Change in the Environment is Accelerating Due to Continued and Growing Demand for Semiconductors and Heightened Awareness of Environmental & Energy Issues



### Changes in the Environment of our Customers and Our Role



# Customers Facing More Complex Problems Demand More Integrated Value from Their Suppliers

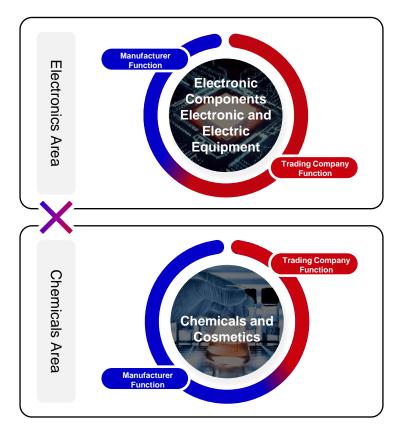


### **Our Strengths**



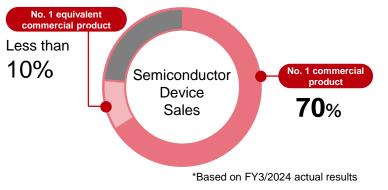
#### **Two Areas x Two Functions**

Responding to diverse customer needs with trading company and manufacturer functions in each of the two areas of electronics and chemicals



#### Strong Relationships with Suppliers

Assign dedicated teams to each supplier to build strong relationships. Cooperation and collaboration with suppliers and deep product understanding contribute to solving customer problems



- There are many products for which we are the No. 1 distributor in Japan
- In semiconductor devices, about 80% of total sales are No. 1 and No. 1 equivalent commercial products

#### Independent Trading Company

Since its establishment, the company has established itself as an independent trading company specializing in electronics. We have the ability to build highly flexible relationships with both suppliers and customers, and to provide a wide range of products and solutions

#### Highly Specialized Technical Support

Provide consistent technical support both at home and abroad, from design and development to after-sales service, by personnel with the same level of technical capabilities and expertise as the manufacturer

Electronics and Electronic	Electronic Devices and	
Equipment	Electronic Components	
Field	Field	
service	application	
engineer	engineer	
Percentage Engineers	Percentage Engineers	
50%	20%	
or higher	or higher	
	ce in the semiconductor,	

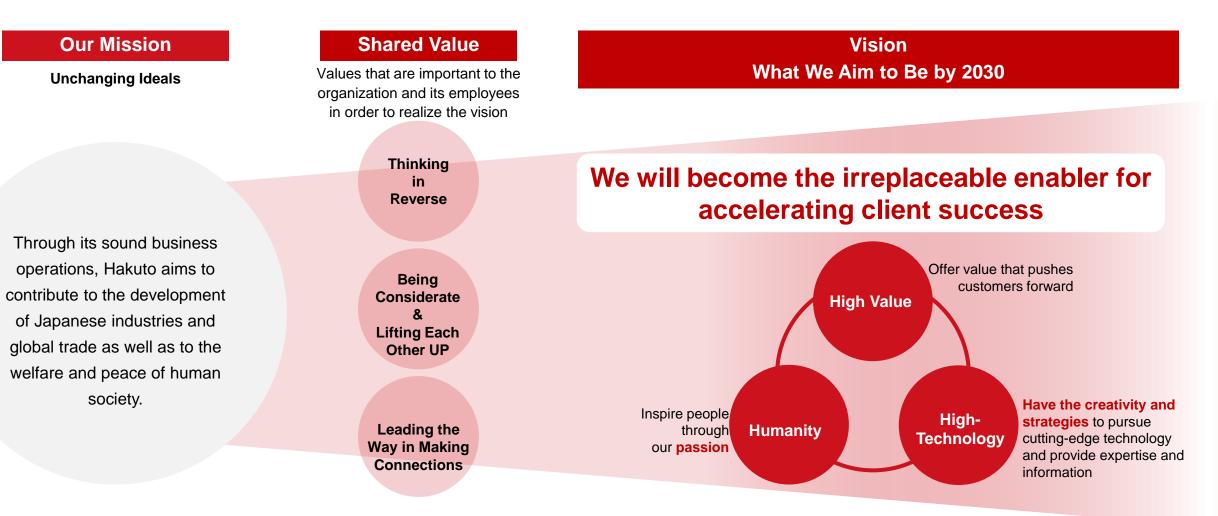
- 65 years of experience in the semiconductor, scientific instruments and printed circuit board industries
- Provide a high service and quality system based on ISO 9001

#### **Culture of Corporate Integrity**

Our corporate culture is to be sincere in our dealings with our customers, suppliers, and other stakeholders. Customer satisfaction surveys show that many stakeholders appreciate the company's integrity.



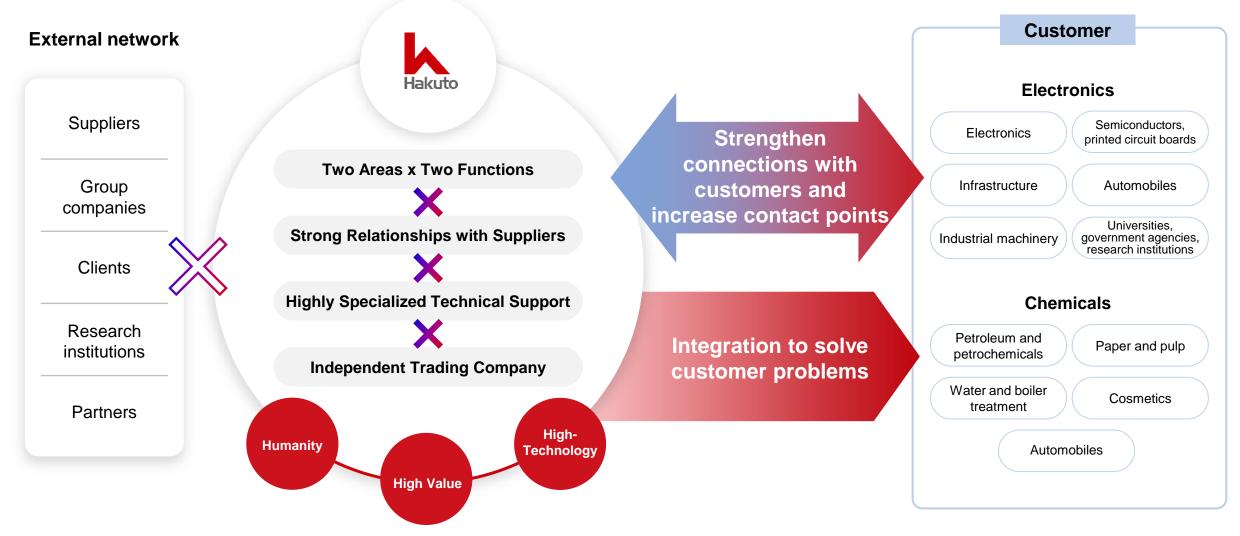
# Pursuing Value that Only We Can Provide and Earning Unwavering Trust from Customers as an Irreplaceable Enabler



#### Enabler that Accelerates Client Success



# Deepen customer connections, uncover latent needs, and deliver integrated value beyond internal and external boundaries







 Achieve both aggressive investment in growth and stable shareholder returns



# Increase Growth and Profitability by Upgrading and integrating the Value Provided

Actual Results for the FY Ended March 2025		Targets for the FY Ending March 2029		
Net Sales		183.1 billion yen	250 billion yen or higher	
	Electronic Components	142.9 billion yen	185 billion yen	
	Electronic and Electric Equipment	27.2 billion yen	43 billion yen	
	Chemicals and Cosmetics	10.7 billion yen	17 billion yen	
Operating Income Margin		<b>3.8%</b> (excluding exchange rate impact)	<b>4.0% or higher</b> (excluding exchange rate impact)	
	ROE	7.8%	10% or higher	
Shareholder Returns		Total return ratio 95%	Dividend payout ratio 65-75% Plus lower limit of DOE 5% (*2)	
Contribution of Growth Measures to Gross Margin		_	30%	



# Electronics Pursues Growth and Efficiency, Chemicals Makes Upfront Investment to Shift to Growth Areas

ROIC (%)

Average for the Previous Medium-Term Plan Period Average for the New Medium-Term Plan Period \*Size of circle = operating income Sales growth rate (%) Chemicals and Electronic Components Cosmetics Electronic and Electric Equipment

\* Operating income is the actual (excluding foreign exchange impact) and the target for the final year of the Medium-Term Management Plan

#### **Electronic Components**

- In the new Medium-Term Management Plan, we expect sales to grow compared with the previous plan, through measures to deepen existing businesses
- We also expect ROIC to improve as working capital is reduced through investment in more efficient inventory management

#### **Electronic and Electric Equipment**

- High growth was achieved in the previous Medium-Term Management Plan, and we aim for growth in the new Medium-Term Management Plan by continuing to capture strong demand
- In the new Medium-Term Management Plan, we will further expand our portfolio, add more sophisticated value to our products and merchandise, and enhance value propositions
- Launch original (in-house) products and services invested in and developed in the previous plan, and reap the rewards

#### **Chemicals and Cosmetics**

- In FY2024, the final year of the previous Medium-Term Management Plan, the business was sluggish due to poor sales of cosmetic base materials
- Accelerate sales expansion by shifting resources to development of growth areas. Strengthen investment in new technology acquisition to change the product mix



### **Basic Policy**

# Work to Increase Value through Customer-first Approach

**Business Strategy** 

### Integration Value, and creating new business

- Integrated solutions in response to customer problems
- Acceleration of creation and scaling of new business by company-wide organization
- Capturing new value through M&A and capital alliances

Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation)

### Secure Human Resources and Invest in DX to Accelerate Business Strategy

- Secure and develop human resources to realize enablers
- DX to increase both efficiency and value provided

**Financial and Capital Strategy** 

### Achieve both aggressive investment in growth and stable shareholder returns

- Capital allocation focused on balancing growth and returns
- Promote management conscious of capital cost
- Stable shareholder returns by introduction of DOE

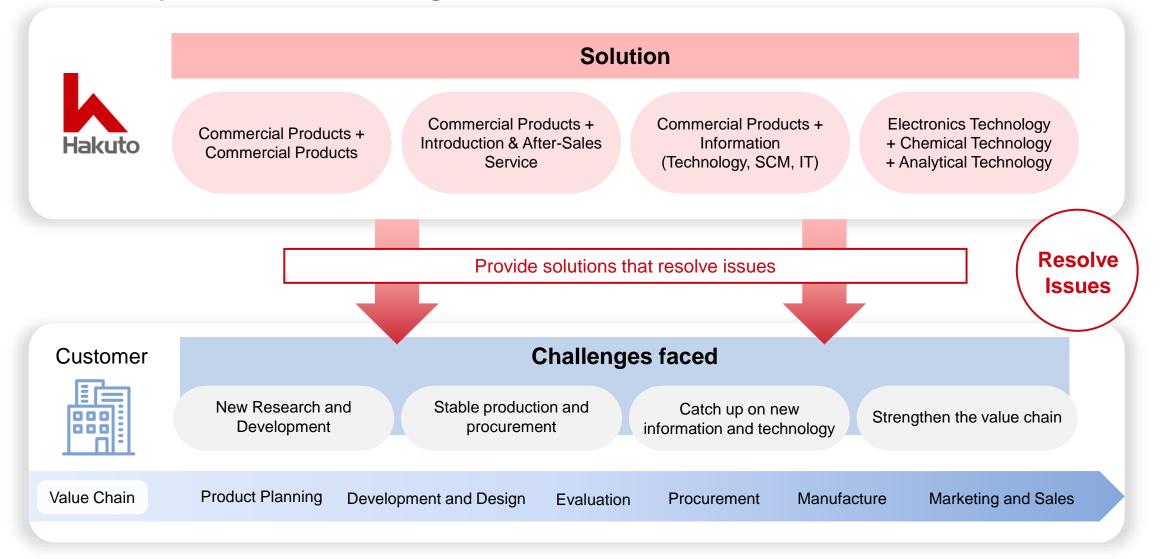
Integrated solutions in response to customer problems

Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation



Flexibly Combine Commercial Products, Services, and Technologies to Help Customers Develop Products and Strengthen Their Value Chains

Financial and Capital Strategy



Business Strategy (1)

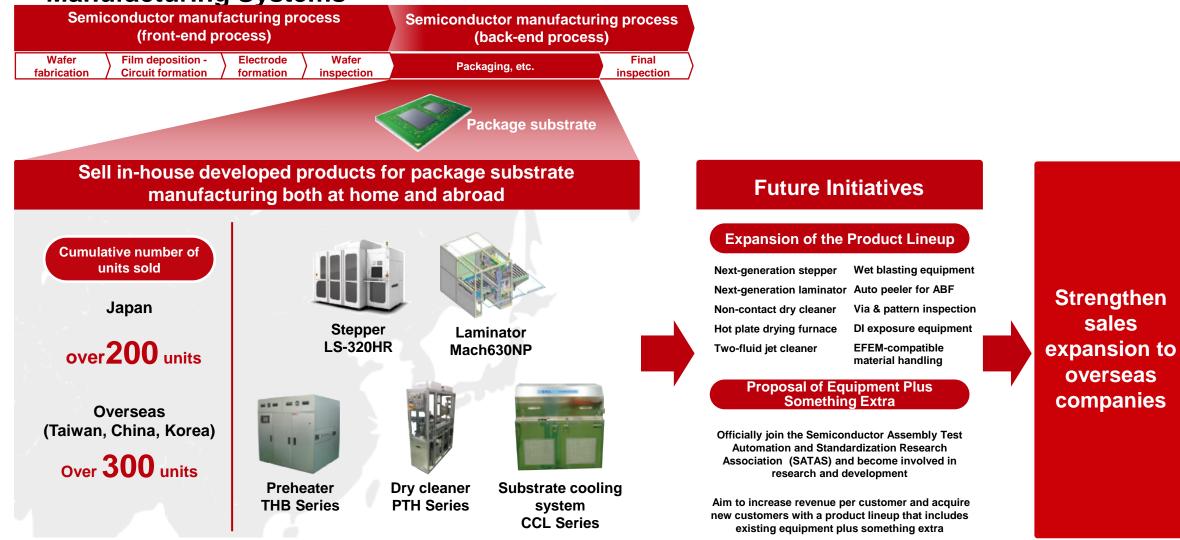
Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation Financial and Capital Strategy

Integrated solutions in response to customer problems

Commercial Products + Introduction & After-Sales Service



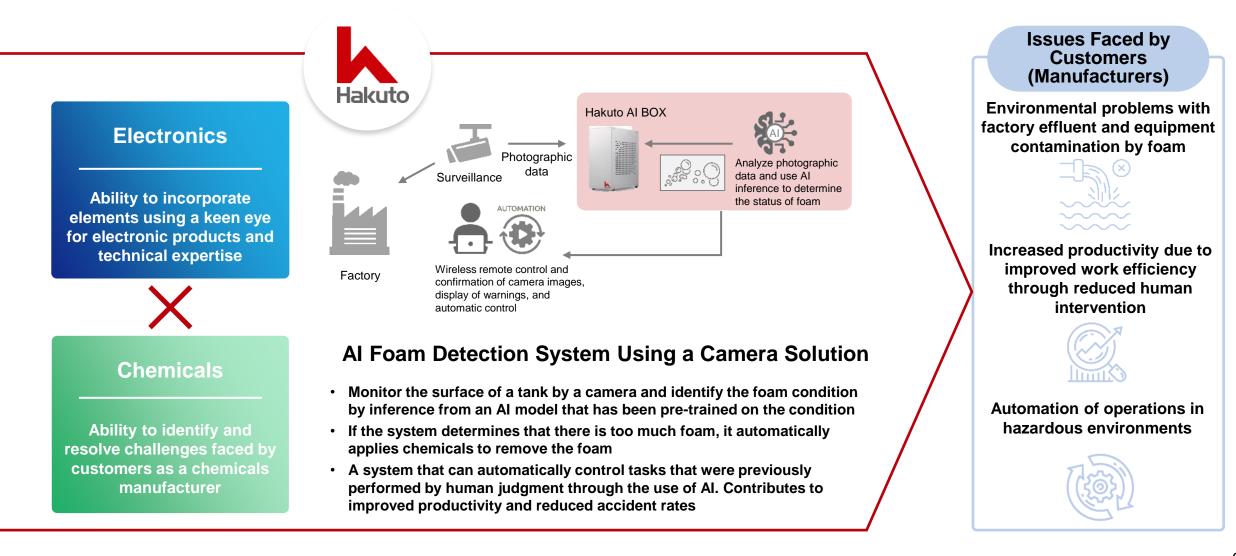
## Develop Overseas Customers by Strengthening the Lineup of Semiconductor Package-Manufacturing Systems



Integrated solutions in response to customer problems



## **Develop as a Solution for Factories Leveraging the Strengths of Electronics & Chemicals**



Create and scale a new business accelerated company-wide

Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation



# Establish a New Dedicated Organization Specializing in Business Development to Promote Emergence

Financial and Capital Strategy

Current State		April 2025 ~		
Business Segment New Areas		New Areas	Facilitate the development of New	new solutions through emergence
Electronic Components	Device	IoT & AI solution	IoT & AI Solutions	Medical Solution
	Component	<ul> <li>Automatic recognition solutions</li> <li>Office solution</li> <li>Energy solution</li> </ul>	Automatic Recognition Solutions	Cosmetics (TAEKO)
Electronic and Ele	ectric Equipment	Medical solution	Office Solution	- Energy Solution
Chemicals and Cosmetics In-house brand cosmet		In-house brand cosmetics "TAEKO"	Business Incubation	on Center

- Launch new businesses and inject resources in each business segment
- Challenges in sharing know-how

- Established a new "Business Incubation Center" dedicated to the development of new businesses. Personnel transferred from various business units to act as full-time personnel (approx. 40 people)
- Positioned as an organization responsible for R&D of the business. Promotes business development and solution development from a company-wide perspective. Share know-how mutually to promote emergence and development of new solutions

Business Strategy (1)

Capture New Value through M&A and Capital Alliances

Strategy for Strengthening

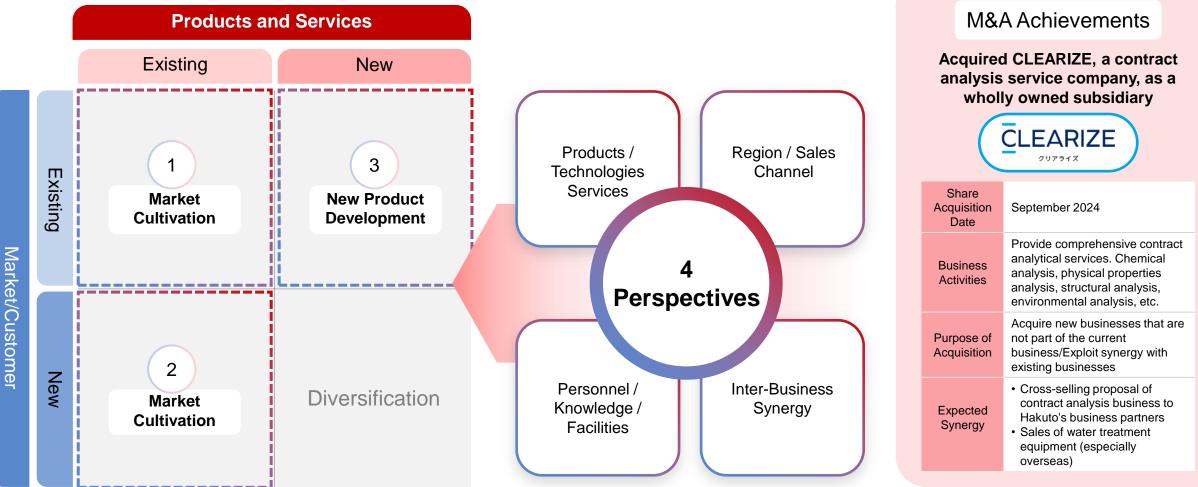
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Prioritize Potential Alliance Partners in Areas that Are Complementary or Peripheral to the Company's Core Business and that Can be Expected to Leverage Current Assets and Generate Synergies

Financial and Capital Strategy





Capture New Value through M&A and Capital Alliances



## **Develop a Full-Scale Wastewater Treatment Business in India, which is Facing Water Problems**

#### Water-Related Social Issues in India

- Serious problems of water shortage and water pollution due to industrial effluent
- Especially in North India (Delhi and Gurugaon), there is a high demand for wastewater recycling due to the tightening of Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) regulations, which do not allow 100% discharge of wastewater, and water shortages. On the other hand, local wastewater treatment equipment has poor design, performance, and quality, and problems are prone to occur frequently after the equipment is installed.



Recycled water is used for sprinkling and cistern water in factories



We provide total solutions optimized in accordance with customer problems by combining ROCK ENGINEERING's wastewater treatment equipment, for which we have exclusive sales rights in India, our proprietary wastewater treatment chemicals and equipment, and CLEARIZE's wastewater treatment systems.

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MVR distillation and Vacuum dryer by ROCK ENGINEERING, a manufacturer with headquarters and factory in Thailand



Wastewater treatment by Electrolysis "Eleca"



Hakuto's proprietary wastewater treatment chemical "HAKUTORON" is used in the primary treatment of contaminated water, improving the operational efficiency of distillation equipment (from left to right: before and after treatment).



Achievement of ZLD and wastewater recycling by using RO membrane equipment as secondary treatment for distillation equipment, etc. 25



Business Strategy (1)

Secure and develop human resources that can become enablers

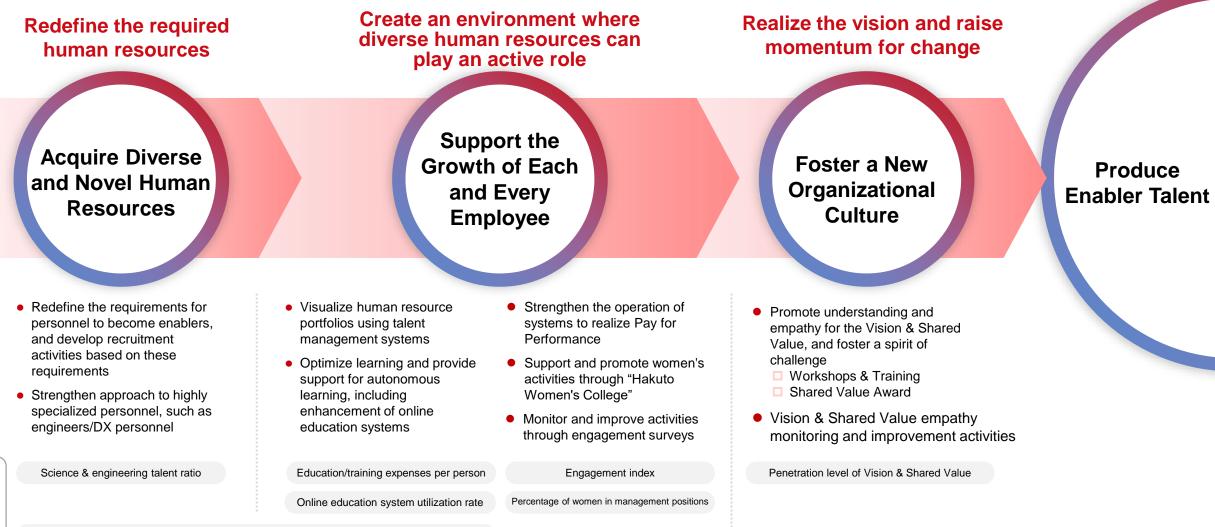
**Strategy for Strengthening** 

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Promote the Creation of a System to Continuously and Stably Secure and Cultivate Human Resources who Act as Enablers

Financial and Capital Strategy

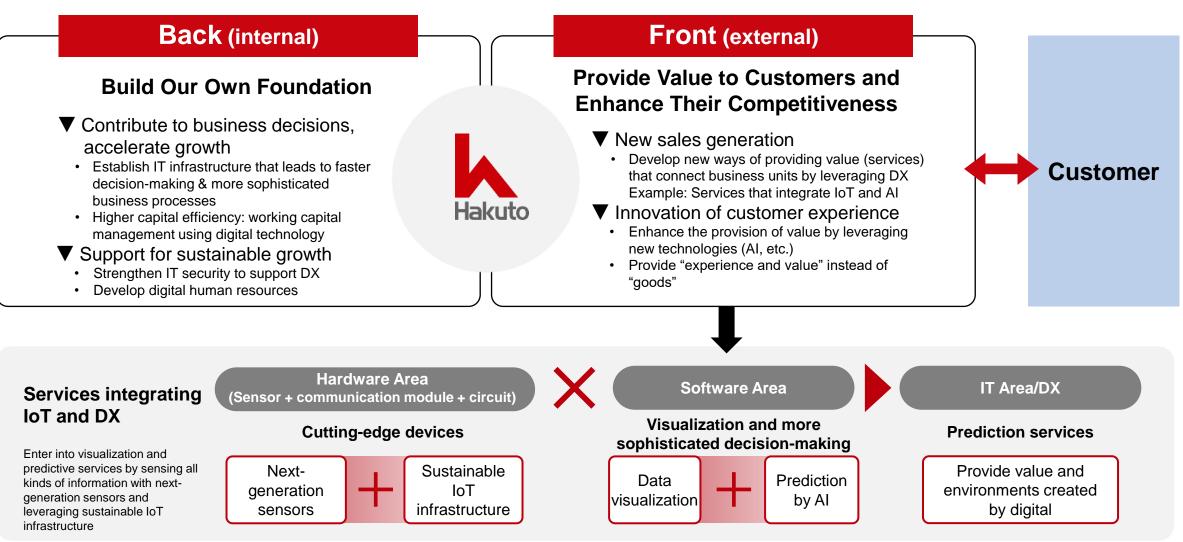


Number of qualified DX-related employees (10% of employees)

DX to Increase both Efficiency and Value Provided



Create New Value through the Use of Digital Technology in Addition to Building the Traditional Internal Foundation

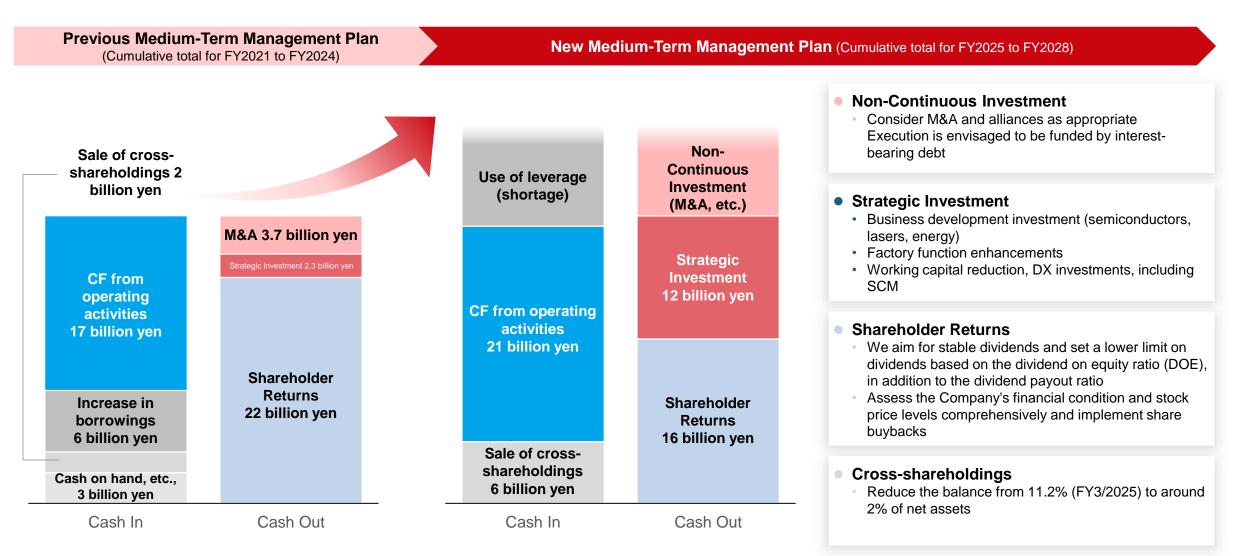


Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation Financial and Capital Strategy

Capital Allocation Focused on Balancing Growth and Returns



## Achieve Both Aggressive Investment in Growth and Stable Shareholder Returns

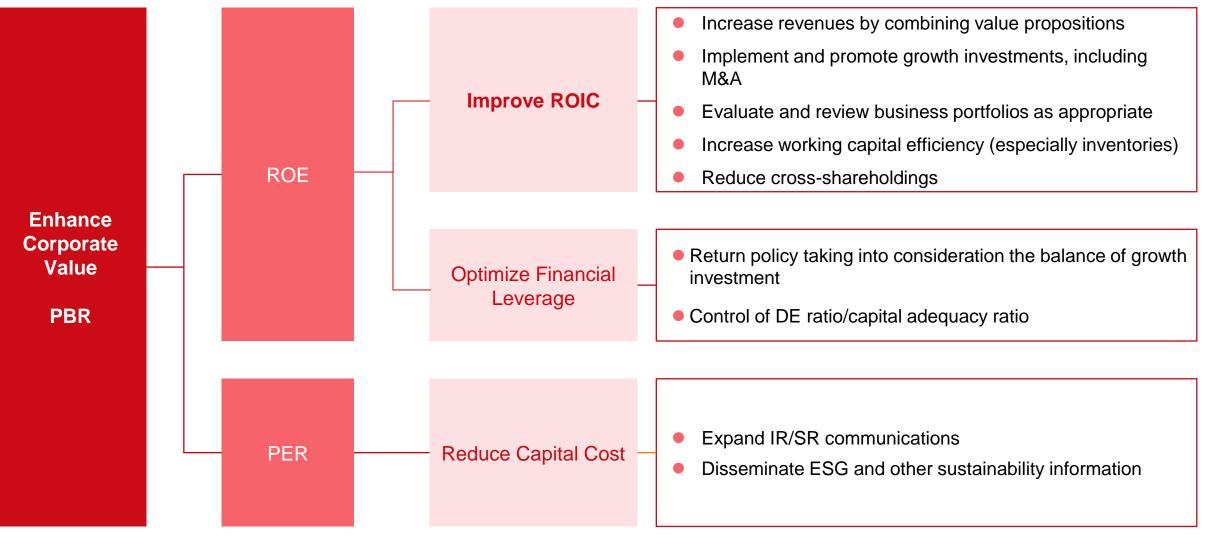


Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation Financial and Capital Strategy

Promote Management Conscious of Capital Cost



## Enhance Corporate Value by Improving Profitability and Capital Efficiency through Implementing the Current Medium-Term Management Plan



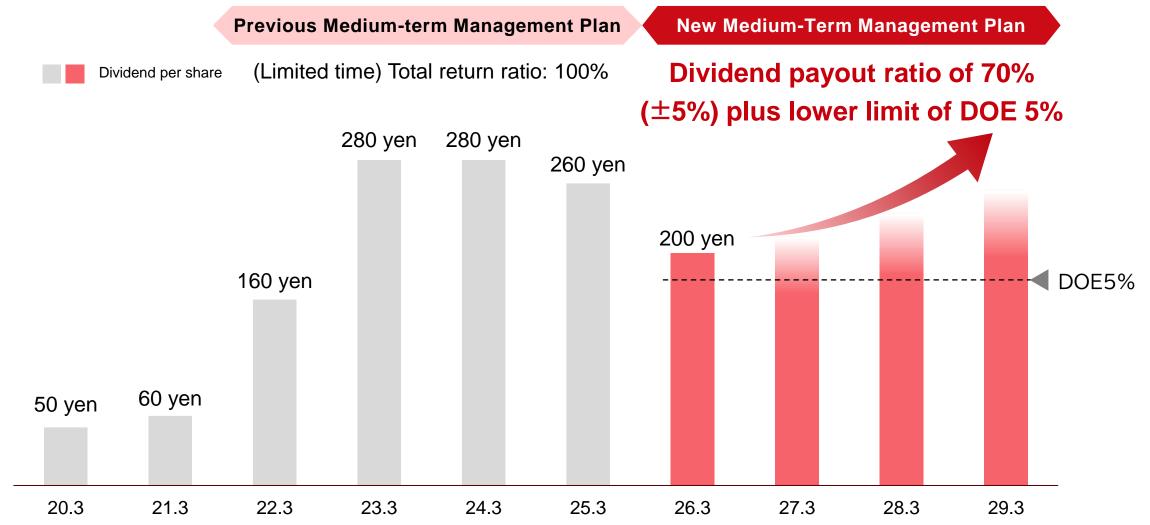
Business Strategy (1)

Strategy for Strengthening the Foundation Financial and Capital Strategy

Stable shareholder returns by introduction of DOE



We Aim for Stable Dividend Increases, Set a Dividend Payout Ratio of Around 70%, and a Dividend on Equity (DOE) Ratio of 5% as a Lower Limit for Dividends





# Part. 3 Business Strategy by Segment

### **Electronic Components**



# Dig Deeper into Customer Problems, and Provide a Combination of Goods, Services, and Information that Resolves Problems

# **Business Areas**

Semiconductor Devices

**Components & Modules** 

Solutions

### **Main Markets**

In-vehicle

Industrial Equipment

Telecommunications & Data Centers

## **Priority Strategies**

#### Expand the Portfolio through Developing New Products

- Strengthen the power semiconductor lineup
- Combining with new sensor devices & AI & IoT
- Combining through strengthening the lineup of display-related products

#### Combining Value Provided through Cross-Selling

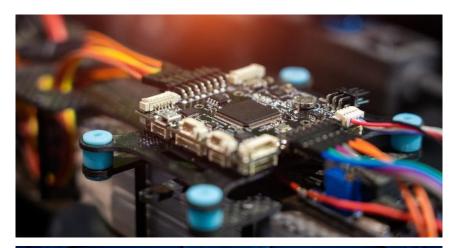
(Semiconductors and Electronic Components)

- Share knowledge of combining through internal task forces, etc.
- Expand human resources capable of proposing complex solutions and education

# Expand and Strengthen the Areas in the Value Chain

(Expand its role as an enabler)

- Strengthen development and design support, and the QC support system
- Promote business & capital collaboration not only in-house but also with external parties
- Increase the number of engineers







# Reinforce Both Trading Company and Manufacturer Functions, and Also Provide Cutting-Edge Technical Services

### **Business Areas**

FPC & Semiconductor Package Manufacturing Equipment Market

Industrial Equipment Market, including Analytical Instruments and Measuring Instruments for R&D Applications

Compound Semiconductor, Sensor, and Electronic Component Manufacturing Equipment Market

Automotive and EV Battery Market

## **Priority Strategies**

# Strengthen Our In-house Solutions by Leveraging Our Manufacturer Function

- Develop equipment for cutting-edge printed circuit board lines, including AI server applications
- Develop equipment to realize new laser processing technology
- Develop new semiconductor devices in niche areas

#### **Expand the Portfolio with New Commercial Products**

- Strengthen new commercial products, such as production line automation, and offer them in combination with existing products
- Provide new value by integrating the application of distinctive Japanese manufacturers' technologies with our sales and support capabilities

#### **Upgrade the Engineering Business**

- Provide our original smart engineering services using IT & digital technology
  - Organize smart engineering teams within business units
  - Create hybrid services with other business & IT divisions (inter-business synergy)
- Establish a digital education system for training engineers in the company (= part of enabler training)
- Develop new service bases other than the Kumamoto Service Center



#### LiB Electrode Plate Laser Cutting System



Steppers (photolithography machines)



# **Promote Value Propositions with Chemicals Plus Something Extra**

**Business Areas** 

#### **Existing Areas**

Petrochemicals, Pulp and Paper, Automobiles, Cosmetics

#### **New Areas**

Environment, Electronics, Life Sciences

### **Priority Strategies**

# Create New Businesses in the Environment & Energy, Electronics, and Life Science Areas

- Water treatment: provide our original wastewater solutions by combining equipment (newly acquired products, CLEARIZE, etc.) and chemicals utilizing our core technologies
- Electronics industry: provide our original value by combining equipment and chemicals utilizing our core technologies
- Life sciences: develop new cosmetic base materials and biopolymers for industrial applications. Launch collaborations with universities and other outside institutions

#### **Strengthen and Expand Solutions for Existing Businesses**

- Develop new solutions for issues faced by existing customers, such as the promotion of carbon neutrality and the use of hydrogen and ammonia
- In addition to developing our own products, offer complex proposals in combination with CLEARIZE's analytic menu, etc.
- Al-based chemicals development
- Promote DX in factories (e.g., procurement activities)



In the water treatment area, promote the development of sales channels abroad in addition to at home



"Alcaligenes polysaccharides" derived from microorganisms are our original base material for cosmetics.



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