#### **Business Briefing**

# Business Strategy of Industrial IT Solutions Segment in Japan

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# **Professional Experience**

1990 - Present Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.

2023	Senior Executive Managing Director
	Head of Industrial IT Solutions
	Division Manager of Industrial Solution Business Development Division
	(present)

2022	Senior Executive Managing Director
	Head of Industrial IT Solutions
	Division Manager of Industrial Solution Business Development Division
	Division Manager of Distribution Solution Division

2020	Senior Corporate Managing Director
	Division Manager of Industrial Solution Business Development Division

2017	Senior Corporate Managing Director
	Division Manager of Systems Consulting Division

2014	Senior Managing Director
	Division Manager of Platform Services Division

2013	Senior Managing Director
	Division Manager of Systems Consulting Division

2011	Senior Managing Director
	Division Manager of IT Platform Integration Division

2010	Senior Managing Director
	Deputy Division Manager of Systems Consulting Division

# Today's Topic

NRI has expanded its industrial fields to build a powerful business portfolio.

Our Industrial IT solutions segment in Japan applies expertise established over many years by working together with consulting segment to support clients' transformations.

■We seek further growth by continuing to be a main partner for DX growth companies and expanding our client base leading up to 2030.

#### **Business Strategy** | **Understanding Client Environment**

DX growth companies are expected to advance business transformations envisioned for the next 10 years while actively investing in digital

# DX growth companies

Growing in new business fields, spearheading industry restructuring and business transformations

Senior managers exercising leadership and reforming how work is done company-wide, assuming usage of digital and AI

Trends in client DX initiatives



(Examples)

Al ordering system Supply chain optimization



More sophisticated e-commerce shipping & transport/delivery operations



Building regional coverage & maximizing added value per ID

#### The environment surrounding companies is changing irreversibly

- Importance of solving social & environmental issues, addressing geopolitical risk
- More activity entering different industries & restructuring of industries
- Expanded utilization of AI business, evolution of cloud & generative Al
- Emerging state of personnel shortage

Difficulty of transformations is increasing and the investments are larger in scale. Transformations are not transitory, they are ongoing efforts

#### **Business Strategy** | Current Portfolio

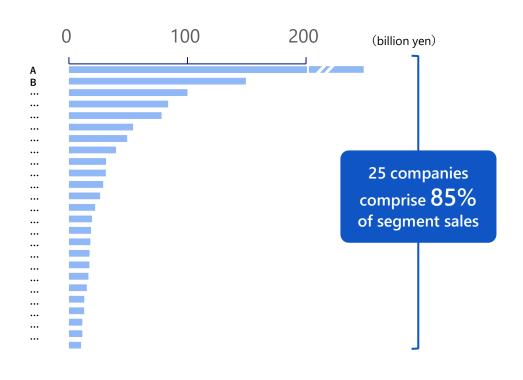
Business with major clients will drive earnings growth in the Industrial IT solutions segment in Japan by supporting DX growth companies

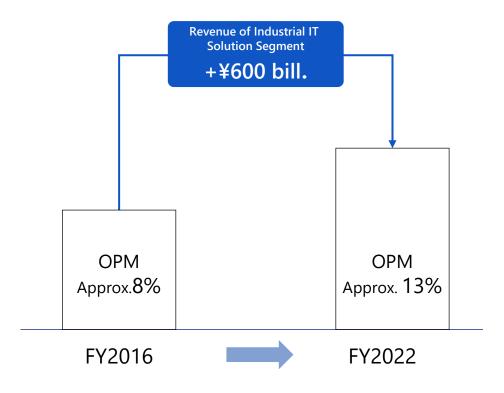
25 clients with revenue of at least ¥1 billion comprise 85% of Industrial IT solutions segment (Japan) sales

Revenue has grown by approx. ¥60 billion over the past 6 years Operating profit margin has improved by 5 points

Revenue of main clients in FY2022

Profit growth from FY2016 to FY2022





#### **Business Strategy** | Main Client Profile

Companies whose senior managers exercise leadership pursuing transformation and growth have high expectations for NRI

## Portraits of clients who have expectations for added value offered by NRI

Companies who share long-term visions at the management level

Companies who see themselves driving industries through DX and innovation

Companies whose senior managers make decisions to spearhead transformations

# **Industry-leading companies who** demand NRI's high quality\*

\* Contributing to stability, ease-of-use, and business for systems intended to handle large transaction volumes and large volumes of data

Main clients

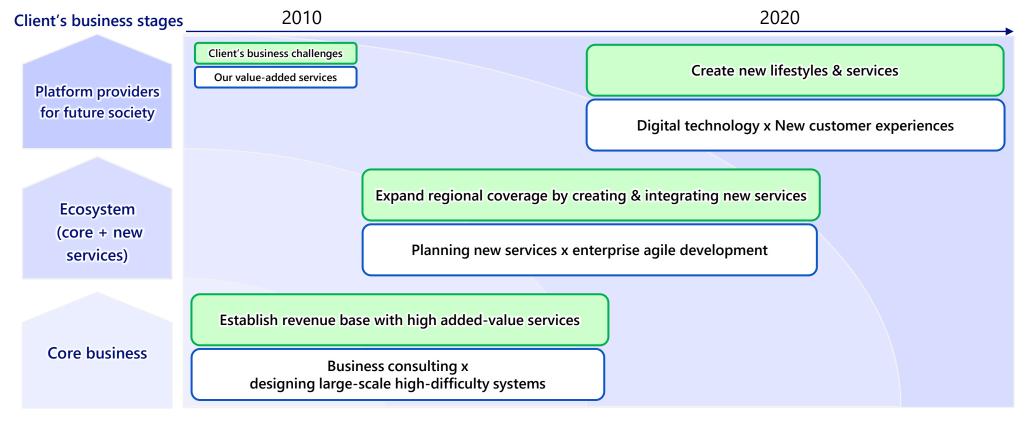
- Main Industry: Retail & Distribution, Service, Consumer goods, Real estate, Manufacturing, Automobile
- Seven & i HD, KDDI, Ajinomoto, Yamato HD

#### **Business Strategy** | Our value-added services

NRI's added value lies in offering functionalities essential to clients' transformations and growth from a medium- to long-term perspective, supported by high quality

Case Study: Company A in the Service Industry

NRI has been working alongside clients on their growth strategies to transform their business stages and expand their regional coverage for over 10 years



**Business Strategy** | Value-Added Delivery Process

Maximize NRI's added value by working together with consulting on client development (PAR actions)

PAR actions are:

Activities to increase client scale by determining strategic clients and having executives play a leading role in company-wide efforts from a medium- to long-term perspective

Assign NRI representatives (PARs: Prime Account Representatives) for each strategic client

<u>Industrial IT solutions segment: Steps to successfully increase client scale</u>

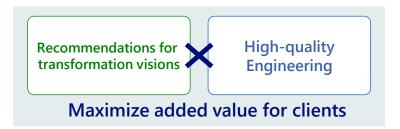
Formulate digital vision to achieve industry transformation (Led by consulting)

Acquire IT solutions to achieve industry transformation, joint business (Led by IT solutions)

Lead the direction toward transformation Align vision with IT solutions

Consolution teamwork is:

Maximizing NRI's added value with consulting and IT solutions working together



Long-established trust, understand and improve clients

Stable IT **Services** 

Contribute to continuous growth of NRI

#### **Business Strategy** | Value-Added Delivery Process

Working together with consulting to create client business growth x NRI growth scenarios and expand client base from a medium- to long-term perspective

> Steps to becoming a main partner to DX growth companies (= Steps to increasing client scale)

#### Step1

(Candidates to be large clients in 2-5 years)

Strengthen trusting relationships with clients at multiple levels, create growth scenarios, generate & expand projects

**Activities focused** on Consulting segment

> Con-solution unified operations

**Activities focused** on Industrial IT solutions segment

- Generate & expand projects with clients & industries we want to increase in scale in Industrial IT solutions segment
- Increase scale of existing clients in Consulting segment
- Acquire clients and increase scale of existing clients by deploying strengths in Industrial IT solutions segment

Step2

(Candidates to be large clients in 1-2 years)

Manifest client business x NRI growth scenarios

Scenarios consistent with transformation vision

- Transformation of client
- Contribution from NRI

Manifest and practically apply consistently with the above

IT solution acquisition scenarios

Step3

Achieve & continue growth scenarios

> Large Clients

#### **Business Strategy** | Our Areas of Expertise and Strengths

NRI's strengths lie in designing and realizing competitive domains for clients based on our expertise in operating large-scale systems and contributing to business (promoting functionalities essential for growth, not standardized domains)

Black text: Clients' business challenges Blue text: NRI's established expertise

#### 1980 - Early 2010s Late 2010s Current - 2030 Retail Transportation Logistics transformation supporting over 2 billion Accelerating growth by transforming distribution Al demand forecasting & SCM optimization shipments/year Consumer Goods More sophisticated large-scale transport/delivery Bolstered corporate interoperations Automobile departmental SCM Distribution Building new business models SCM operational knowledge Expanding Japan's largest producer goods Utilizing railway data from up to double-digit distributor millions of rail cars •More sophisticated SCM x shift to large-scale core microservices Retail Retail Handling core systems for Japan's largest Manufacturing Business growth through e-commerce expansion convenience store DX 3.0: Technology x solving social issues •E-commerce marketing via clients x large-scale Large-scale system operations Digitalization of construction & civil engineering Client management on a scale of core data double-digit millions of people Service Manufacturing Regional coverage expansion Service Product as-a-service business focused on IDs Transform e-commence business with corporate More sophisticated contact points Managing double-digit millions of members & clients with dealers & clients handling their transactions Improving CX across multiple Service channels Real Estate Offering new lifestyle services Loyalty marketing for 20 million members Group-wide one-to-one marketing operations ·Large-scale points-based marketing

operations

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Topics of large-scale transformations will continue to expand regardless of industry

- Business transformation utilizing AI
- Building new businesses that use IoT/AI data
- Product as-a-service business
- Structural reforms combining front end x supply chain
- Offer new services focused on IDs

NRI supports clients' transformation & grows together with them

# **Business Strategy** | Long-term and Sustainable Business Model Supporting clients' continuous growth by contributing to long-term transformations

Achieve continuous growth for NRI originating in contributions to long-term continuous transformations (= enhancing business)

#### Revenue Ratios in the Industrial IT solutions segment



Maintenance for existing systems, ongoing improvement activities with existing clients (planned to start from last fiscal year)

New clients and new projects form existing clients (Within the current fiscal year)

Contribute to continuous transformations by working together with consulting

Retention Rate Top 10 (Past 7 years) companies by revenue Average Revenue\* in FY2022 per company

**Providing systems** development & operations outsourcing for over 40 years 100%

FY2015

FY2022

58bill.  $\rightarrow$  107bill.

- SEVEN-ELEVEN JAPAN CO.,LTD.
- KOKUBU GROUP CORP.
- ONWARD KASHIYAMA Co.,Ltd.

#### **Our Value in Enhancing Business**

Clients

In-depth understanding of clients' businesses, operations, & systems

Feasible proposals based on clients' environments

Trust resulting form mediumterm partner relationships

**NRI** 

No competitors

Understand the inuse business operations & systems which are the basis

Can ascertain time duration of clients' transformations

Contribute to acquiring new projects while minimizing development risks and contribute significantly to NRI's further growth

<sup>\*</sup>Revenue of Industrial IT Solution Segment

## Continue stable growth supported by high added value & our client base

#### Advantage (1): High added value

#### Added value provided:

 Recommend transformation visions to industry-leading companies, <u>design clients' competitive domains together with</u> them and turn these into reality

#### DX growth companies

Standardized domains (Operations targeting standardization & more efficiency) **Competitive domains** 

(Operations that support business competitiveness)

#### **NRI**

#### Process for providing added value:

- Build medium- to long-term trusting relationships
- Repeat this process, <u>recommend and achieve</u> <u>transformation visions</u> over the long term
- Deliver high-quality engineering that assumes large data & transaction volumes

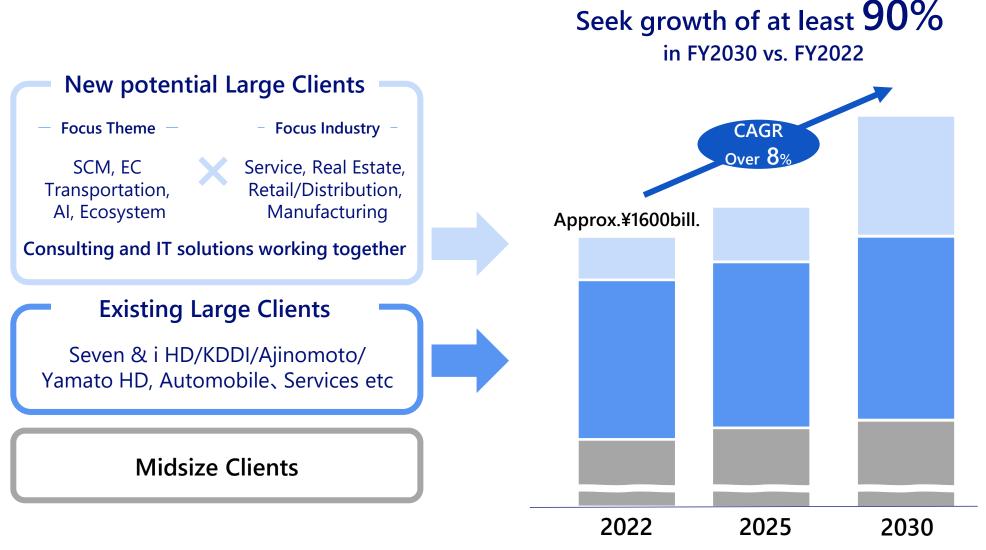
#### Advantage (2): Medium- to long-term trust with clients

- Create broad-ranging medium- to long-term trusting relationships all the way from senior management to worksites and <u>recommend ongoing transformations to clients who have</u> <u>high expectations for NRI's added value</u>
- Deliver ongoing transformations (enhancements) & acquire new projects while minimizing development risk
- Consequently, minimize staffing excesses and deficiencies per fiscal year by combining large-scale development for multiple clients with enhancements

# Continued stable growth with evened-out earnings growth



### Become clients' long-term strategic partner & aim to achieve V2030



Activities for Sustainable Growth (NRI's value in accelerating DX growth companies)

# Further increase client scale by providing the aforementioned high added value in combination with NRI's contribution methods to grow together with clients

# Methods for contributing to clients' <u>transformations</u> (provided in combinations)

NRI owns the assets and provides them as a

service

Deploy expertise that has competitive strength in multiple industry types (SCM optimization, more sophisticated customer experience, etc.)

Incorporate technical knowledge that clients no not yet possess

Create strong relationships through support by information systems staff and subsidiaries (includes establishing joint ventures)

Develop joint business committed to client's business transformation

(includes establishing joint ventures)

#### Real-world example

Retail A

Provide business systems which are the focal point as services via NRI's own investment from the beginning stages. Contribute to company's growth.

Retail B

Contribute to growth by shifting client contact points to DX through horizontal deployment of NRI's expertise in retail and e-commerce



Acquire technical knowledge through advance investment by NRI and become the company's partner from the R&D stage. Assist the company's growth



Equity participation in information systems subsidiary and leveraging NRI's knowledge to bolster IT operational capabilities that support business growth



Establish new company for DX business Seek to co-create business leveraging strengths of both the client and NRI



Activities for Sustainable Growth (Al Utilization)

## Utilizing AI to advance productivity improvement at NRI and also support expanded AI utilization in clients' operations

#### Improve productivity through use of generative AI (within NRI)

Expand usage of AI starting in effective processes according to the characteristics of clients' systems

Development
Process

#### **Utilizing AI for Activities**

Planning & Investigation Plan creation, review assistance and information gathering

Design

Design document review assistance

**Development** 

Rewriting and code generation

**Testing** 

Test case generation and Test automation

**Operations &** Maintenance

Inquiry support and semi-automation of investigation and counter measures

#### Expand Al usage in clients' operations

Together with consulting, work alongside clients from operational usage concept through implementation

Provision of generative AI utilization consulting

**Enhancement of Business and** Systems through AI Utilization





#### **Examples of initiatives**

- Service Industry Company A Exploring business use cases for generative Al
- Service Industry Company B Support for Building AI Governance

#### **Examples of initiatives**

Retail Industry Company C Al requires prediction and automatic ordering

**Activities for Sustainable Growth (Summary)** 

In addition to increasing scale of clients, achieve continuous growth through progress in improving human capital, production innovation, and business model evolution

#### Increasing scale of clients

Joint operations of consulting & solutions

Create trusting relationships with clients' management

Create client business x NRI growth scenarios

#### Advance human capital

Building human capital to support clients' transformations

Bolster hiring Develop highlevel human resources

#### **Productivity innovation**

Improving productivity in system development process

Al Utilization & Expansion of Use of DiPcore

#### **Evolve business models**

Strengthening clients' transformation support functions

Expand planning & cocreation oriented business

# Achieve continuous growth toward achieving V2030

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# Envision the value, Empower the change