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Mission

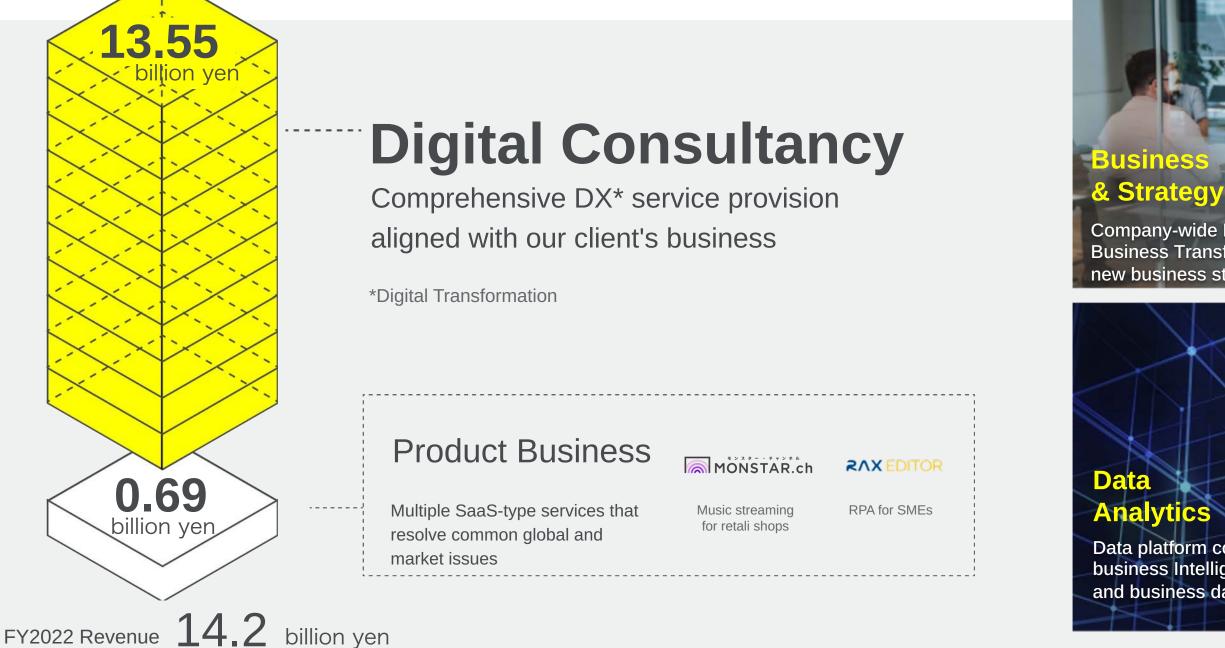
Empower talent everywhere to engineer awesome products, services and ecosystems; building a brighter world for us all

Business

Monstarlab is a digital consulting firm driving our clients' innovation and digital transformation by leveraging talent all over the world



While focusing on digital consulting for major companies, Monstarlab also develops SaaS-type products to address common market issues



Notes : DX stands for digital transformation. Most of the digital consultancy business is time and material-based work (clients are billed based on a fixed rate per hour for human resources who provide services and the number of hours worked).

Company-wide DX Strategy **Business Transformation Strategy** new business strategy



Data platform construction, business Intelligence, product and business data analysis



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Aiming to **solve our clients' management issues** by leveraging comprehensive capabilities such as strategy formulation, system development, data analysis, and process optimization

Business & Strategy

How can we transform our business model by leveraging digital? We're not generating new business...

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Data Analytics

We have lots of data and know it has the potential to strengthen our business but we don't know how to use it...

Experience Design

What's the best service for our users? What sort of customer experience should we be offering?

Client

Technology & Development

We know that internal processes can be optimized with the latest technology, but we don't have the in-house expertise...

By accompanying Try in various IT initiatives, Monstarlab helped it transform its business



MVP

The MVP was designed with Youtube's UI in mind, leveraging its familiarity for students. Monstarlab proposed and implemented a chapter function to improve learning efficiency.

Try IT



We designed infrastructure that can respond to sudden spikes in access before midterm/final exams and also implemented SEO that covers a wide range of terms in the textbooks.



My Try Course

When launching a new course in 2017, we collaborated with the classroom tutors to design suitable routes for video lessons and plan the time allocation for the course.

The result: As a leading ed-tech company, Try succeeded in acquiring a corporate valuation of over 110 billion yen

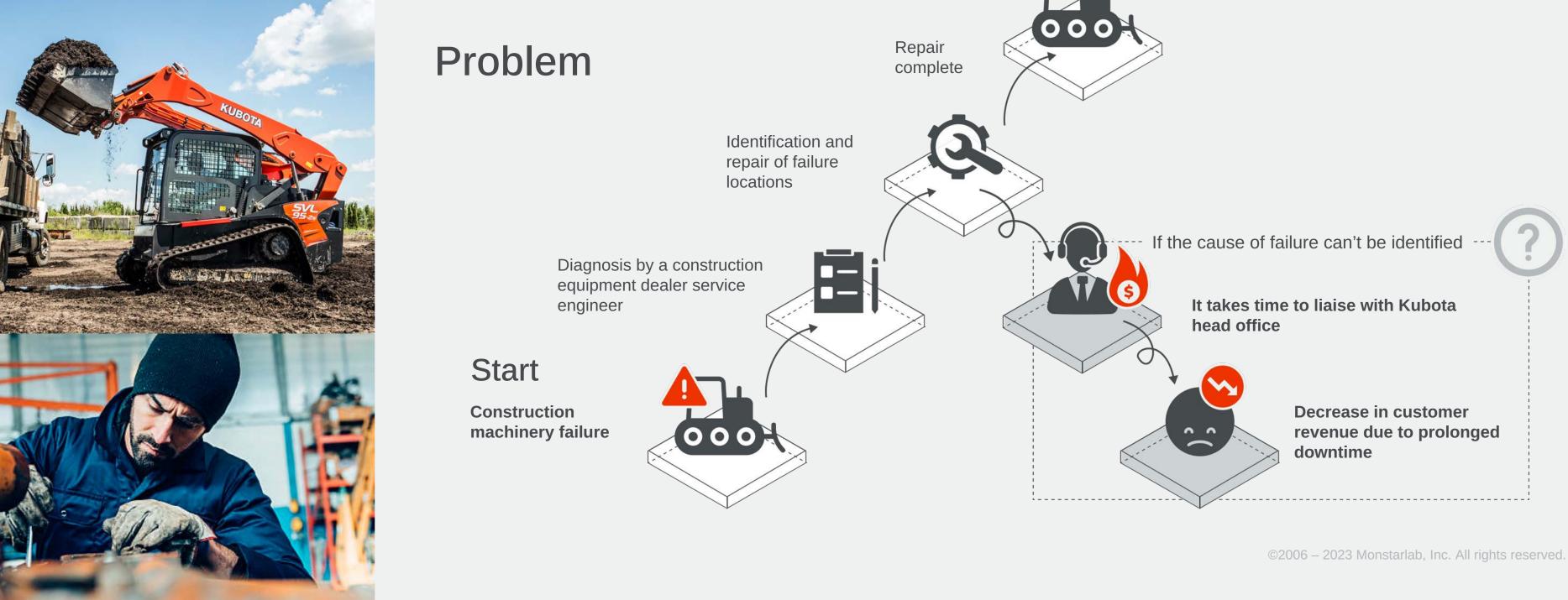


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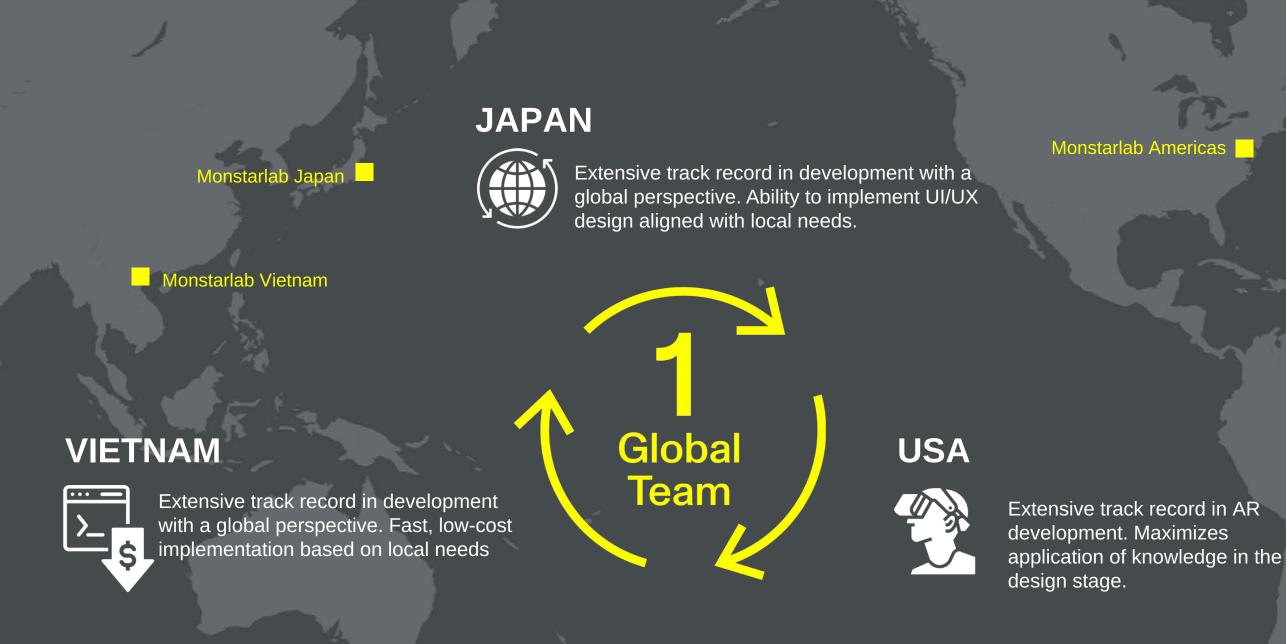
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In Kubota's business, the effectiveness of repairs is directly linked to profitability. Improving the quality of repair services using digital capabilities was a key issue.



Kubota

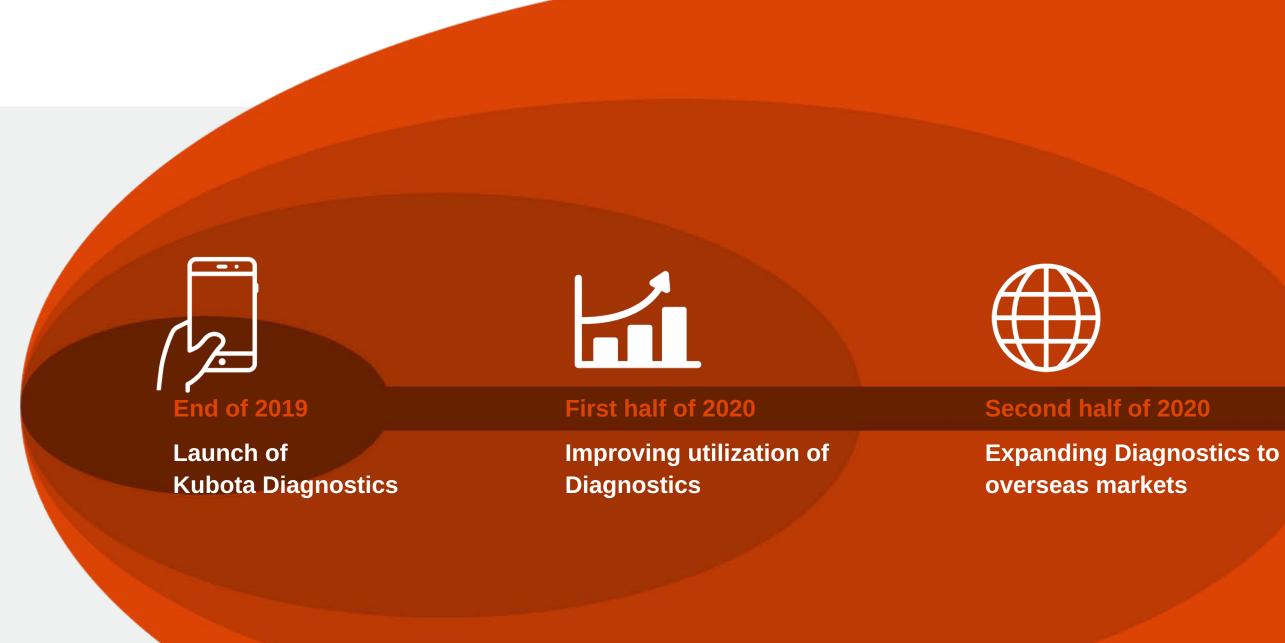
By consolidating our global areas of expertise, we successfully developed a high-quality app aligned with local needs, Kubota Diagnostics, in just 6 months





Labor was saved in the diagnostic process by leveraging AR. The diagnostic process was also improved by using collected data.

Building on the success of Kubota Diagnostics, we continue to support Kubota in addressing their business challenges





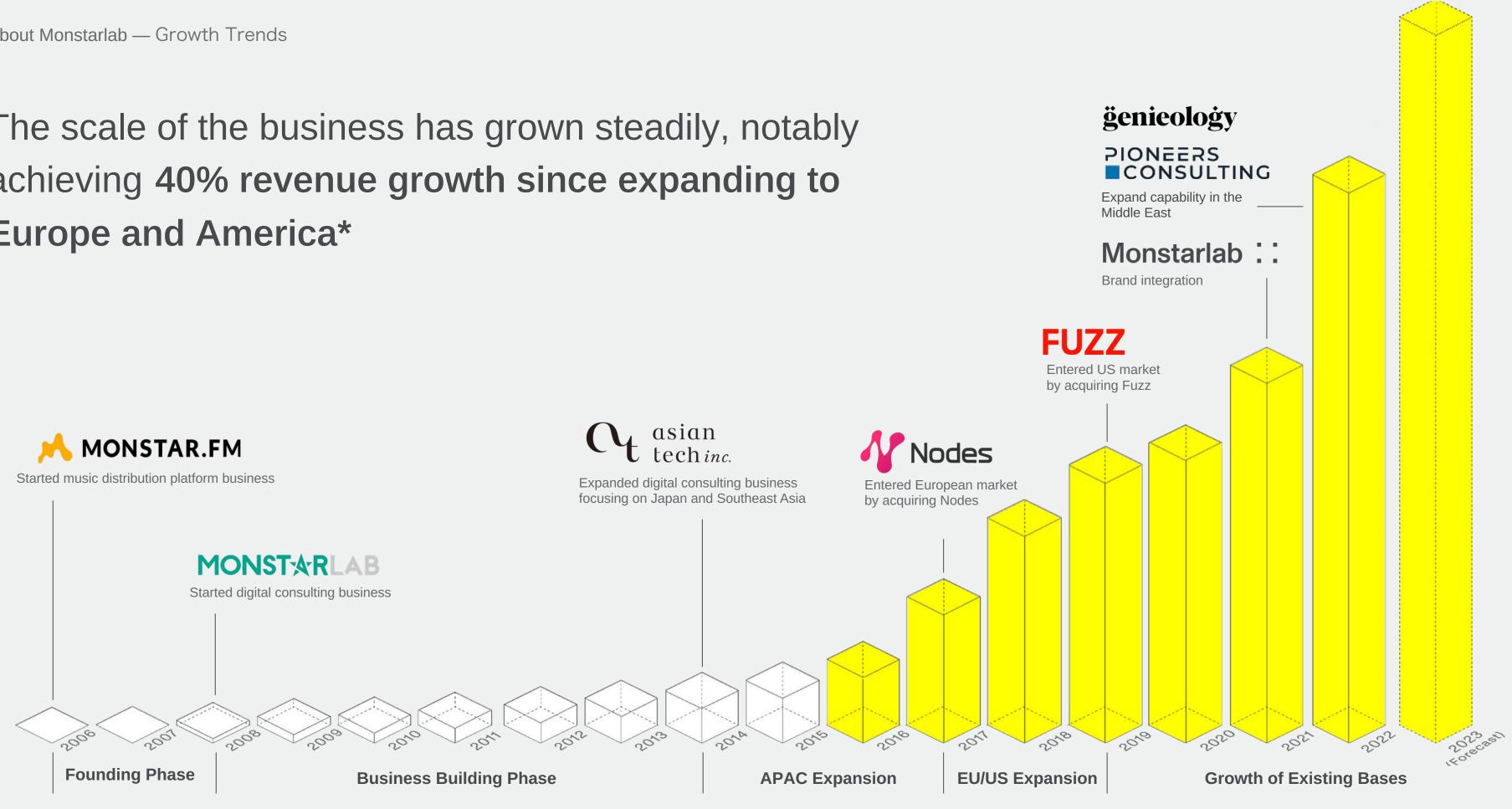


2021

Expansion from construction to agricultural equipment

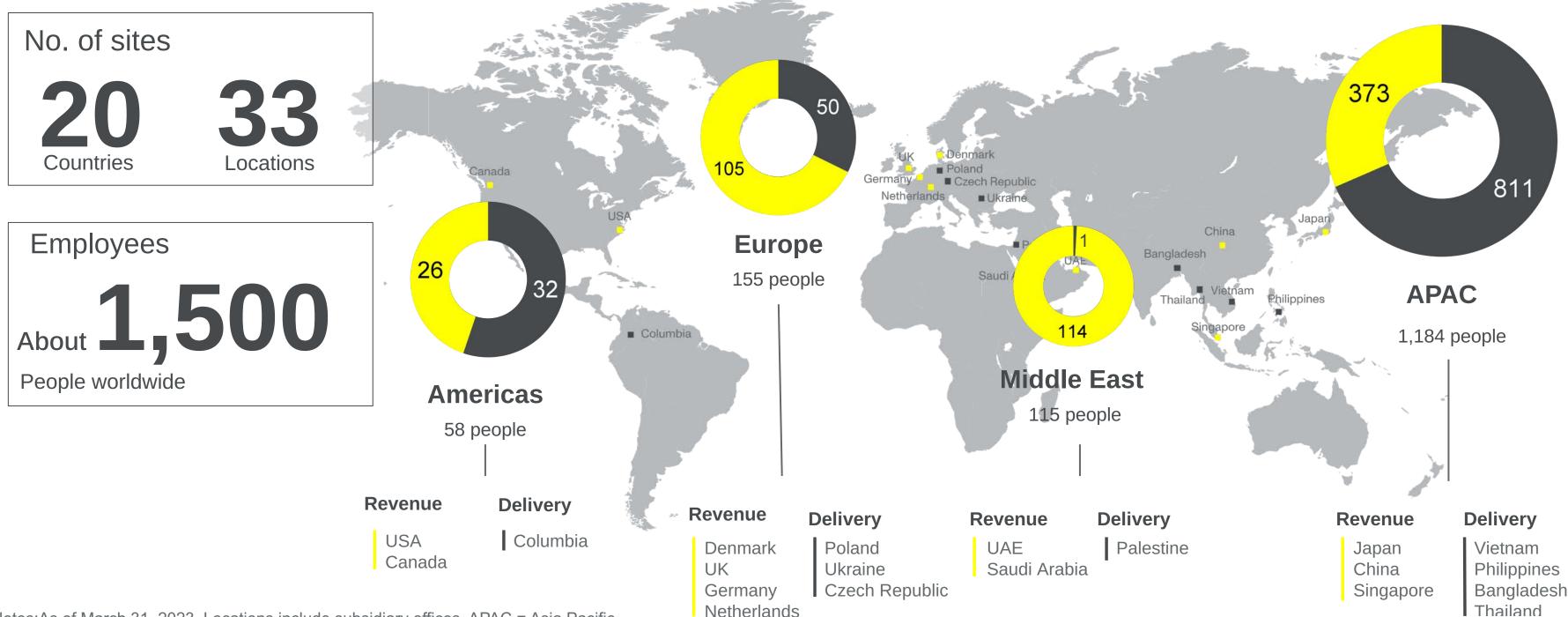
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The scale of the business has grown steadily, notably achieving 40% revenue growth since expanding to **Europe and America***



• Note: After European and U.S. expansion = 2016-2022; 2023 is excluded from annual growth because it is a forecasted performance figure

Our organization of 1,500 people globally comprises Revenue Centers (mainly in Japan, W. Europe, and USA) and Delivery Centers (mainly in S.E. Asia, E. Europe, and S. America)



We have established a **borderless**, diverse governance and executive structure

Board of Directors



Hiroki Inagawa **Group CEO**

Hiroshi Osada

CIOO/EVP

.



Yoshihiro Nakahara **CFO/Director**



Masahiko Matsunaga Director



Mark Jones

EVP/Managing Director

Toshihito Nagai External Director



Business leadership



Michael Rendell Head of P&C



Roger Lakhani Head of Group Finance



Takuya Yamaguchi Head of CEO Office



Communications



Kiyotaka Izumi Director of Monstarlab, Inc.



Tomoyuki Uno Managing Executive Officer of Monstarlab. Inc.



Hiromitsu Kohinata Managing Executive Officer of Monstarlab. Inc.



Daisuke Hirata CTO of Japan+/Managing Executive Officer of Monstarlab, Inc.



Calvin Hart Experience Lead of International Markets

Note : Flags indicate country of residence





Chiamin Lai **External Director**



Sara Bastholm Head of Corporate Branding &



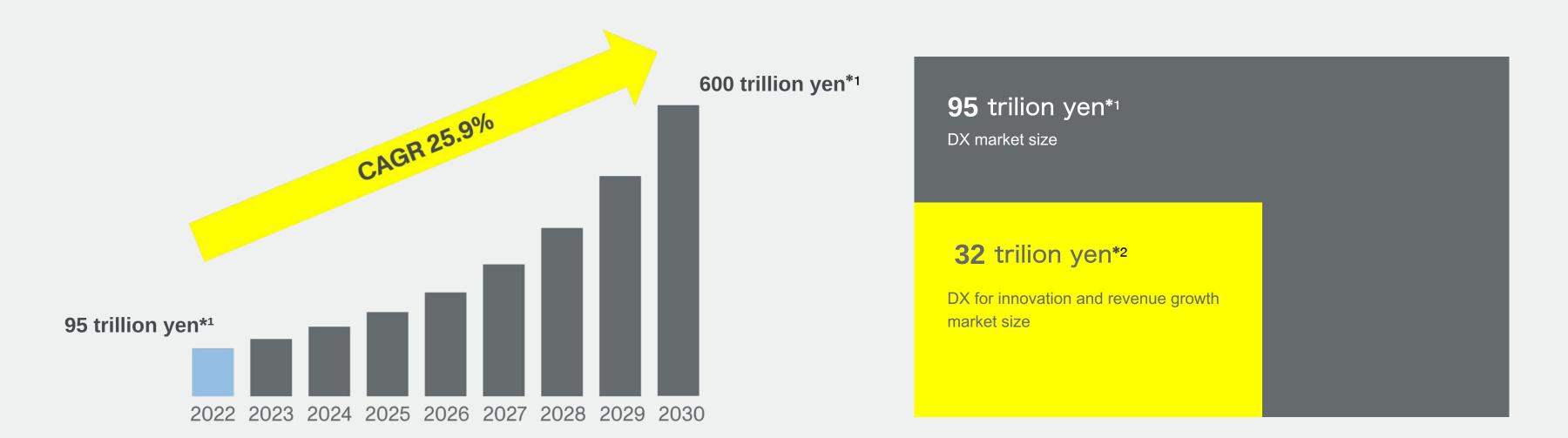
Sumito Suzuki Head of Legal





Paul Klinkhamer Steffen Sommer Strategy Lead of CTO of International International Markets- 2023 Mon Marketsnc. All rights reserved.

The DX market is growing rapidly at a pace of over 20% per year. Within this, the DX market for innovation and revenue growth is a major global market of around 32 trillion yen

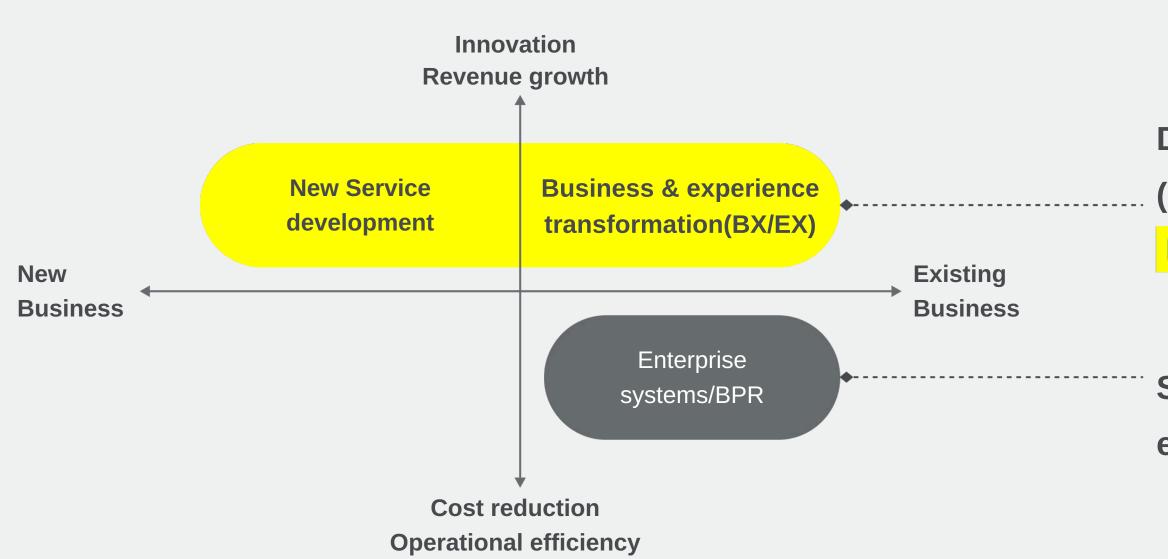


Source:

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*1 Grand View Research, "Digital Transformation Market Size, Share & Trends Analysis Report, 2022 - 2030" (Calculated based on USD = 130 JPY). *2 Calculated by Monstarlab. (Based on the figure in the "Corporate IT Trends Survey Report 2022" by the Japan Information System Users Association, which states that "the target ratio for value-enhancement is 34.4% of the IT budget." The DX for innovation and revenue growth market size was therefore calculated as representing 34.4% of the DX market.) The market size is based on publicly available data. Since the scope of statistical research has certain limitations and calculations are based on estimates, including the dise of past trends, lac. All rights reserved. the estimated market sizes may differ from actual figures.

Our areas of expertise are in digital transformation for **innovation** and **revenue growth**, such as new service development and business & experience transformation



Notes: Firms providing consulting services specializing in digital strategy, experience design, technology, data analysis, etc. The categorization of companies is based on Monstarlab's analysis.

Digital consulting firms'

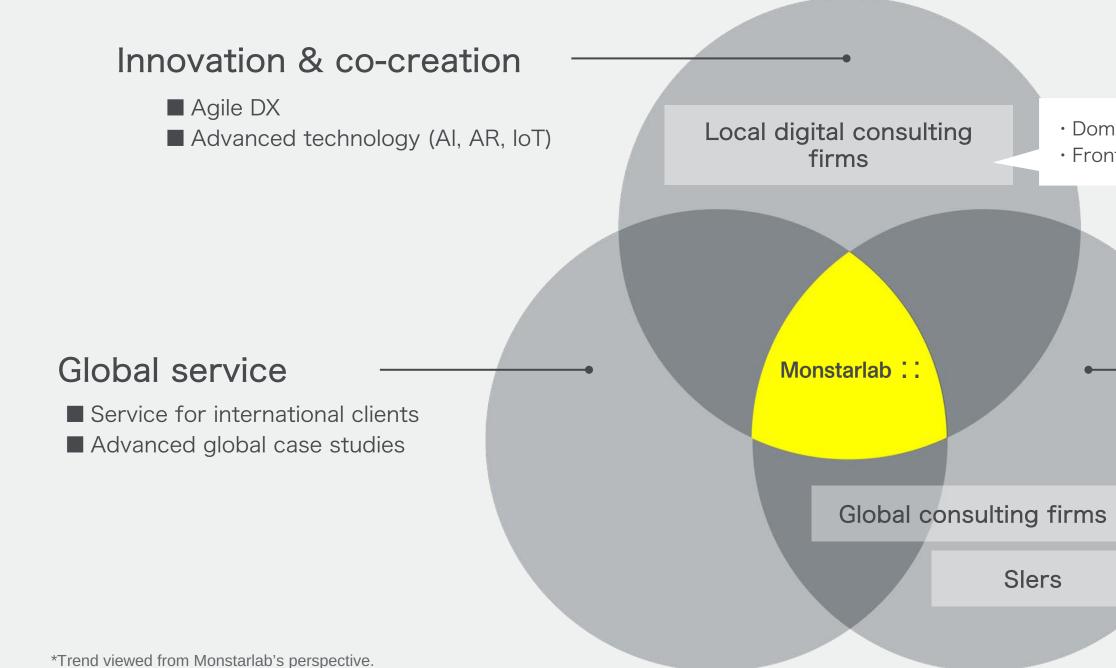
(Monstarlab's) areas of expertise

Monstarlab:

Slers' and Consulting firms' areas of expertise

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Monstarlab is a rare company that combines innovation & co-creation, enterprise-scale services and one global team



Domestic project focusFront-end products only

Enterprise-scale

- Large-scale development
- Core system integration
- Focus on project delivery
- Mainly traditional approach and technologies

We pursue growth by viewing **APAC and the Middle East as regions that are sources of growth** and leveraging advanced expertise from Europe and the Americas

APAC & Middle East

Source of growth

Time Machine Effect

• Developing advanced project experience and technical capabilities in leading DX consulting regions

 Proactively creating cutting-edge flagship projects

• Transferring advanced experience and cases to main growth areas



 Using specialized knowledge developed in expertise regions to win a large number of projects in growth regions

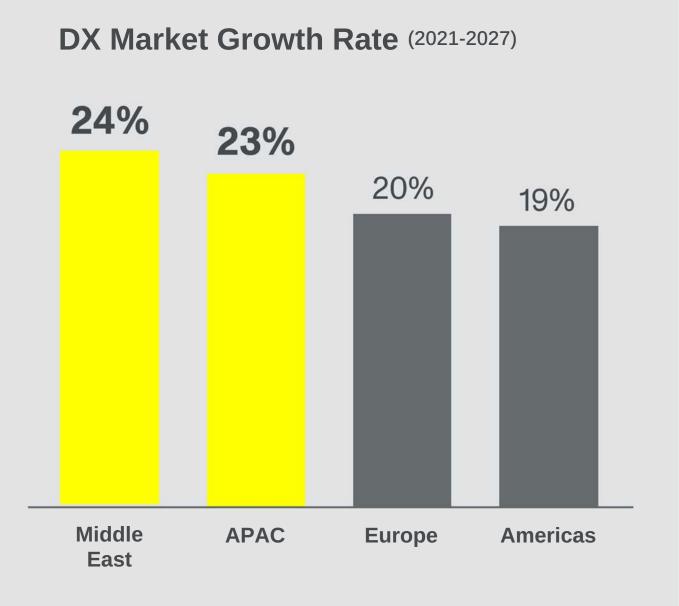
Proactively creating large-scale
flagship projects

 Flowing experience with major projects back to Europe & Americas

Source of Expertise

Europe & Americas

Mid-to long-term growth is expected in the Middle East and APAC based on macroeconomic trends





Middle East Ongoing government-led largescale investment aimed at becoming cutting-edge global region

Metaverse Strategy (UAE)

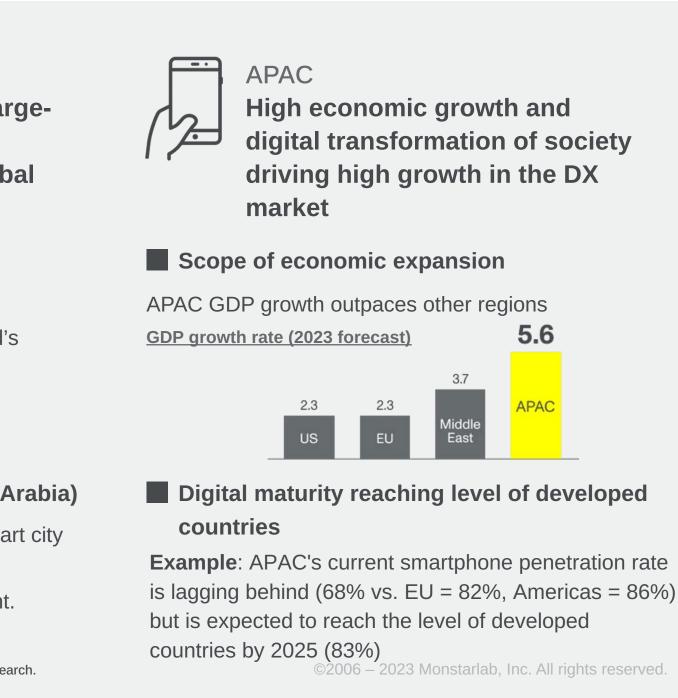
Focused investment in the Metaverse and related areas aimed at making Dubai the world's leading city in this field over the 5-year period starting 2022.

Investment in advanced areas (Saudi Arabia)

Focused investment in the massive NEOM smart city project, blockchain companies, and advanced telecommunications infrastructure development.

Middle East for the DX market growth rate refers to UAE and Saudi Arabia.

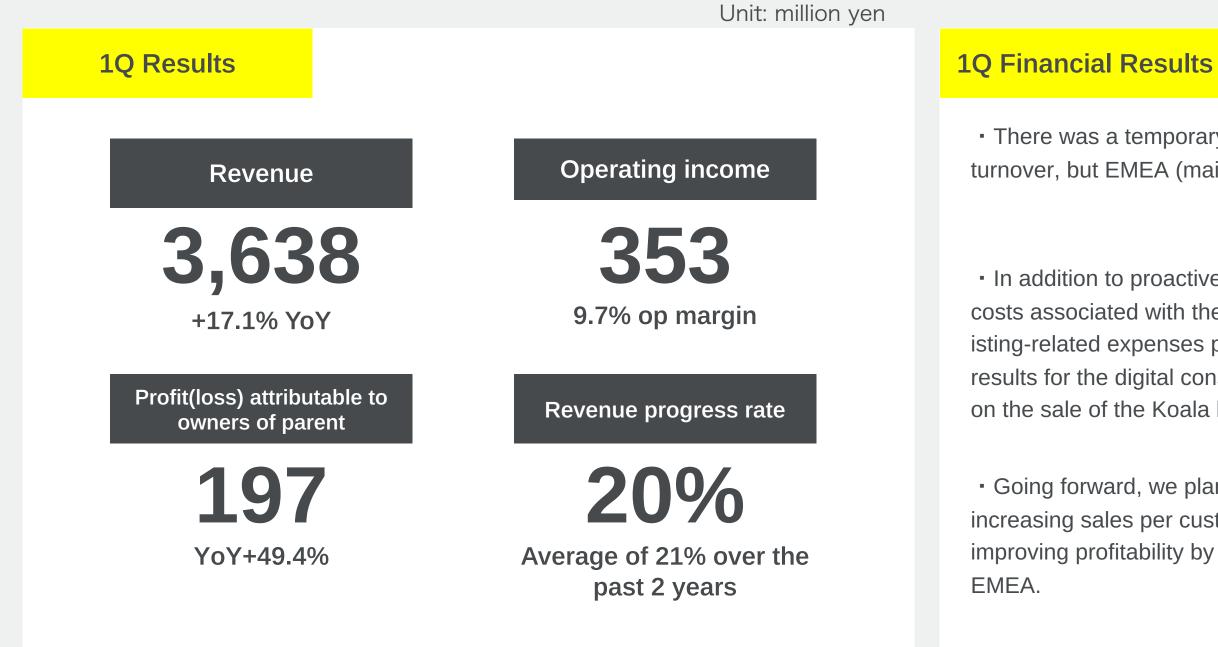
Source: Global Digital Transformation Market Report (2021, KBV Research) for DX market growth rate, IMF for GDP growth rate, Statista for smartphone penetration rate, literature search



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Executive Summary



• There was a temporary decline in revenue in APAC (mainly Japan) due to project turnover, but EMEA (mainly the Middle East) drove revenue growth.

• In addition to proactive investment to enable growth, one-time costs such as costs associated with the switch from outsourced suppliers to employees and I isting-related expenses put pressure on profit, resulting in lower than expected results for the digital consultancy business, but the contribution from the gain on the sale of the Koala business helped the results land in the black.

• Going forward, we plan to steadily transition to a profit-creation phase by increasing sales per customer for newly acquired projects in APAC and improving profitability by switching from outsourced suppliers to employees in

Revenue grew 17% YoY and operating profit was in the black

Revenue: +17% YoY due to growth in EMEA, despite temporary sales decline in APAC.

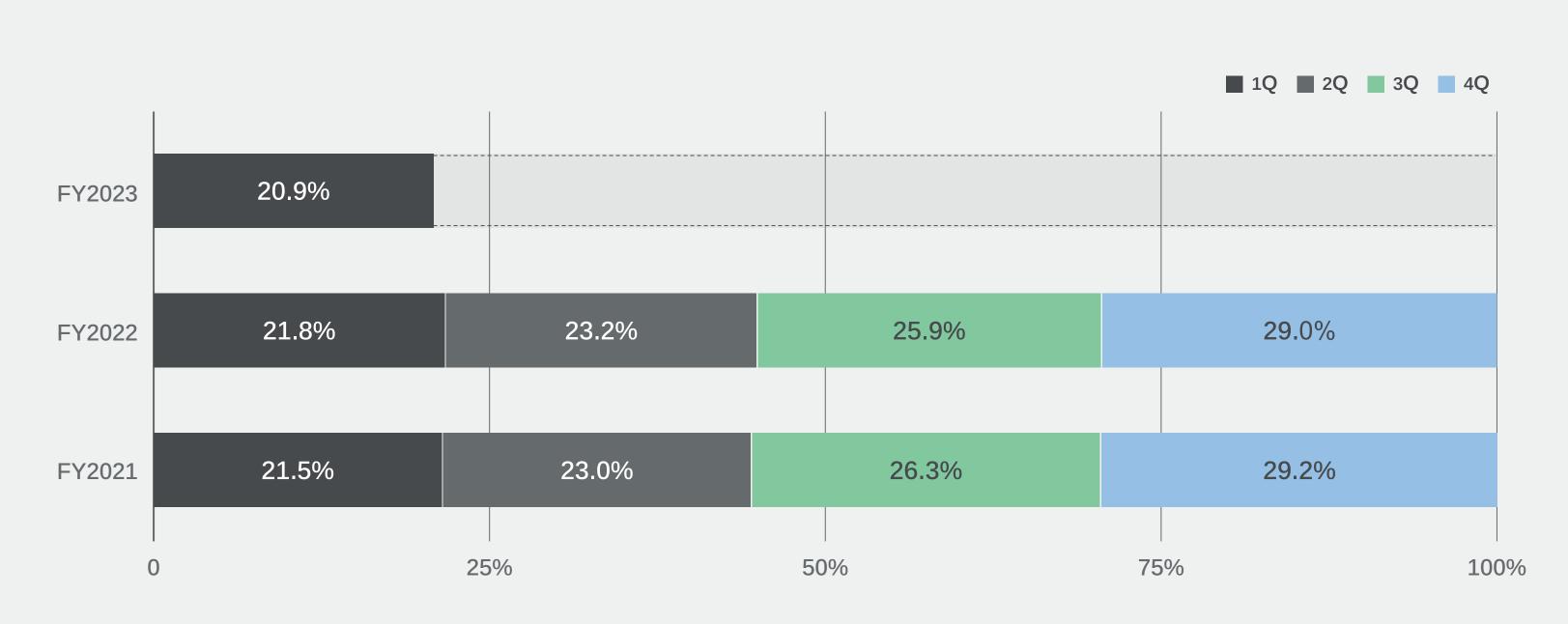
Cost of sales: Increased due to proactive investment in recruitment and a temporary cost increase due to switching from outsourced suppliers to employees.

SG&A: Temporary increase due to listing-related expenses and expenses related to the sale of the Koala business. Operating profit: In the black due to the contribution from the sale of the Koala business.

	FY2022 1Q	FY2023 1Q	Change	Percentage Change	Full Year Earnings Forecast	Rate of Progress
Revenue	3,107	3,638	+530	+17.1%	17,441	20.9%
Cost of sales	2,003	2,553	+550	+27.5%	-	-
Gross profit (Percentage)	1,104 (35.5%)	1,084 (29.8%)	-19 (-5.7pt)	-1.8%.	-	-
Selling, general,and administrative expenses	1,121	1,470	+349	+31.2%	-	-
Operating profit(loss) (Percentage)	-7 (-0.2%)	353 (9.7%)	+360	-	1,468 (8.4%)	24.1%
Profit(loss)before income tax (Percentage)	200 (6.4%)	251 (6.9%)	+51	+25.4%	1,388 (7.9%)	18.1%
Profit(loss)attributable to owners of parent (Percentage)	131 (4.2%)	197 (5.4%)	+65	+49.4%	883 (5.0%)	22.3%

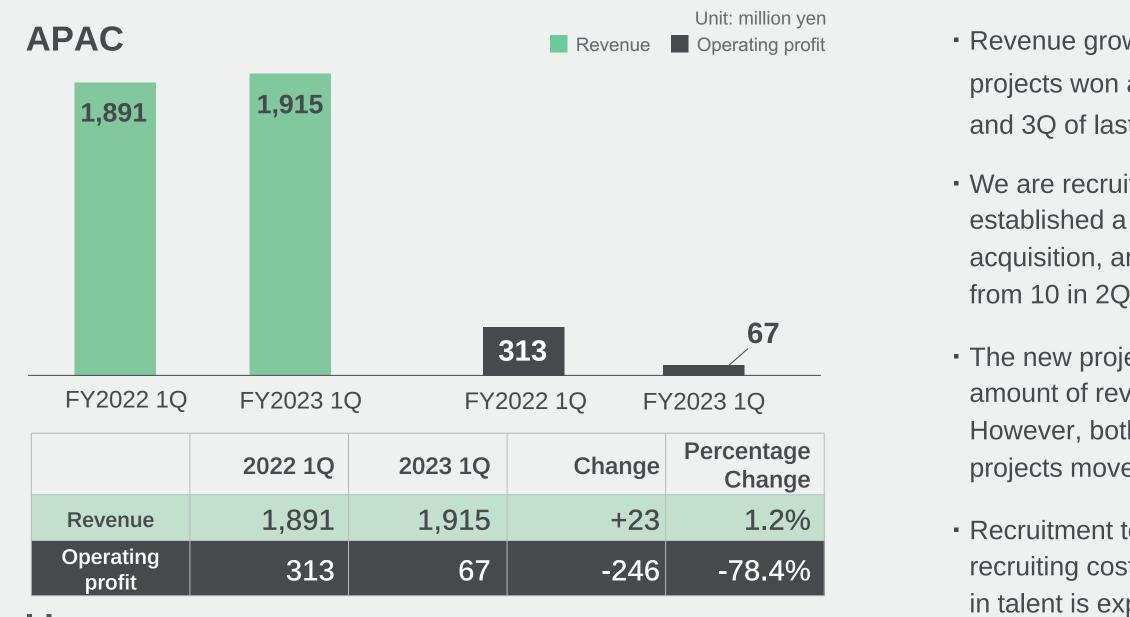
Unit: mllion yen

Progress against full-year revenue forecast is comparable to previous years



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APAC: Revenue slowed due to one-time factors, but revenue and profit are expected to increase in the second half of the year



 Revenue growth slowed due to a decrease in the number of new projects won as a result of consultants focusing on project delivery in 2Q and 3Q of last year and project turnover in the current fiscal year.

• We are recruiting at twice the pace of last year and have already established a system that enables consultants to work on new project acquisition, and as of 1Q, we had acquired 16 new projects, up 60% from 10 in 2Q and 3Q last year.

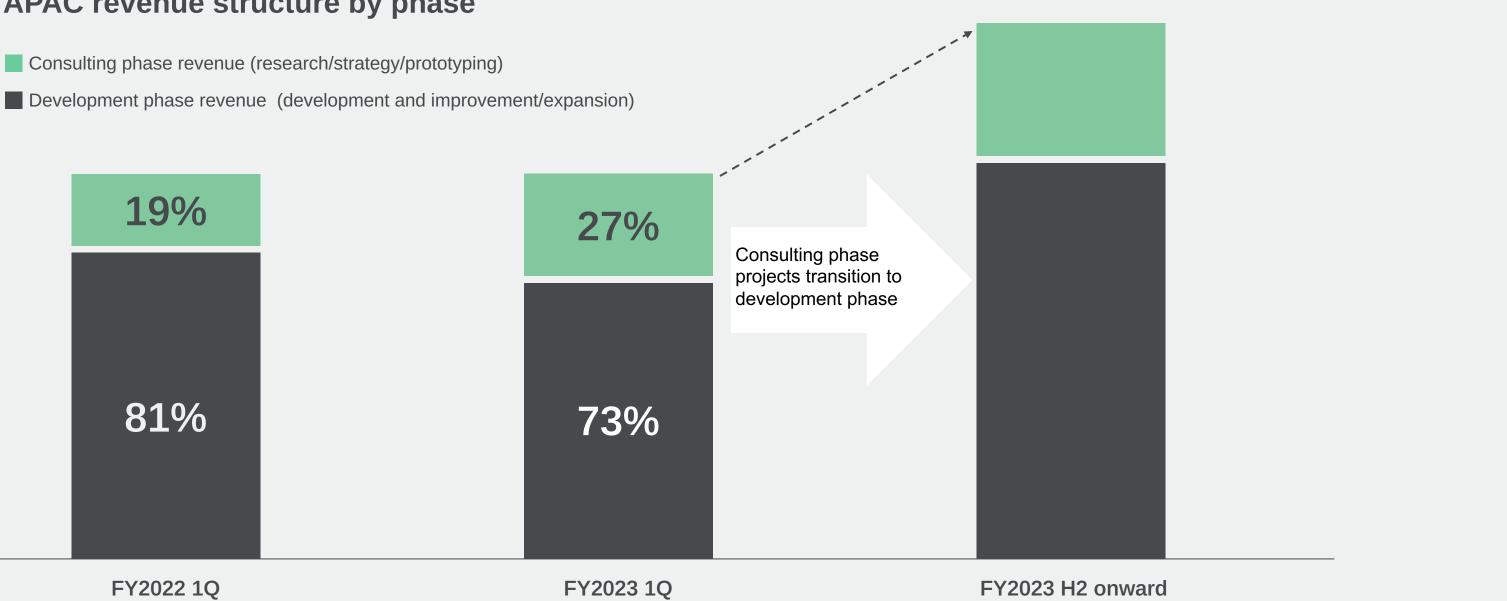
• The new projects have not yet reached the development phase and the amount of revenue is small, so their contribution to revenue is limited. However, both revenue and profit are expected to improve as these projects move into the development phase through 2Q and 3Q.

• Recruitment to enable further revenue growth is ongoing, and talent and recruiting costs are currently putting pressure on profit, but this increase in talent is expected to contribute to higher revenue and profit in the ©2006 - 2023 Monstarlab, Inc. All rights reserved. second half of the year.

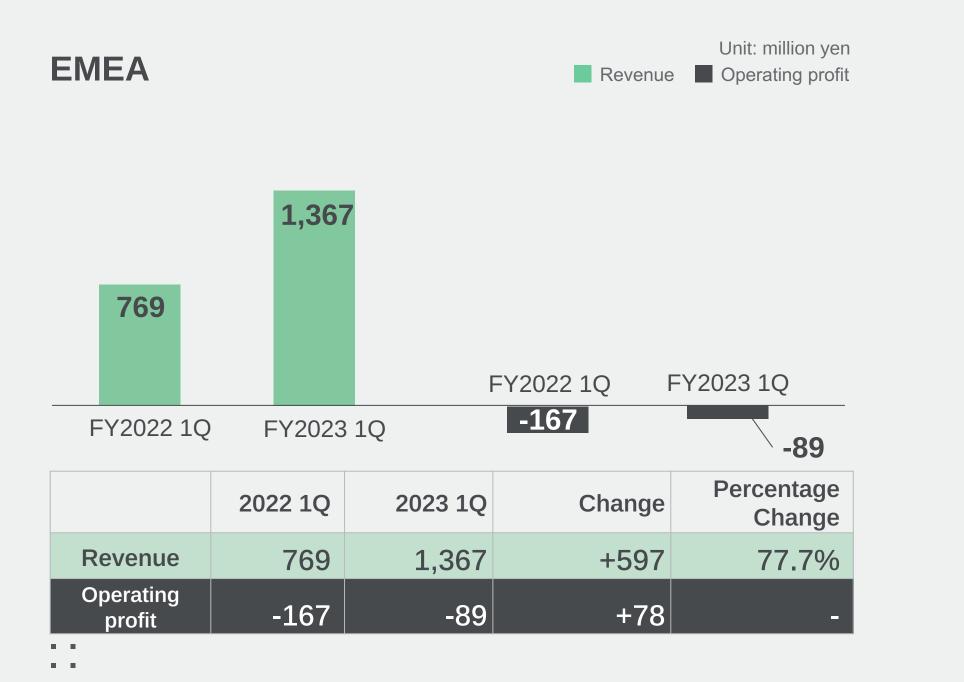
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APAC revenue is expected to increase as projects transition from the consulting phase to the development phase





EMEA: Increased competitive advantage through M&A last year and succeeded in acquiring and developing large customers, leading to +77% YoY sales growth



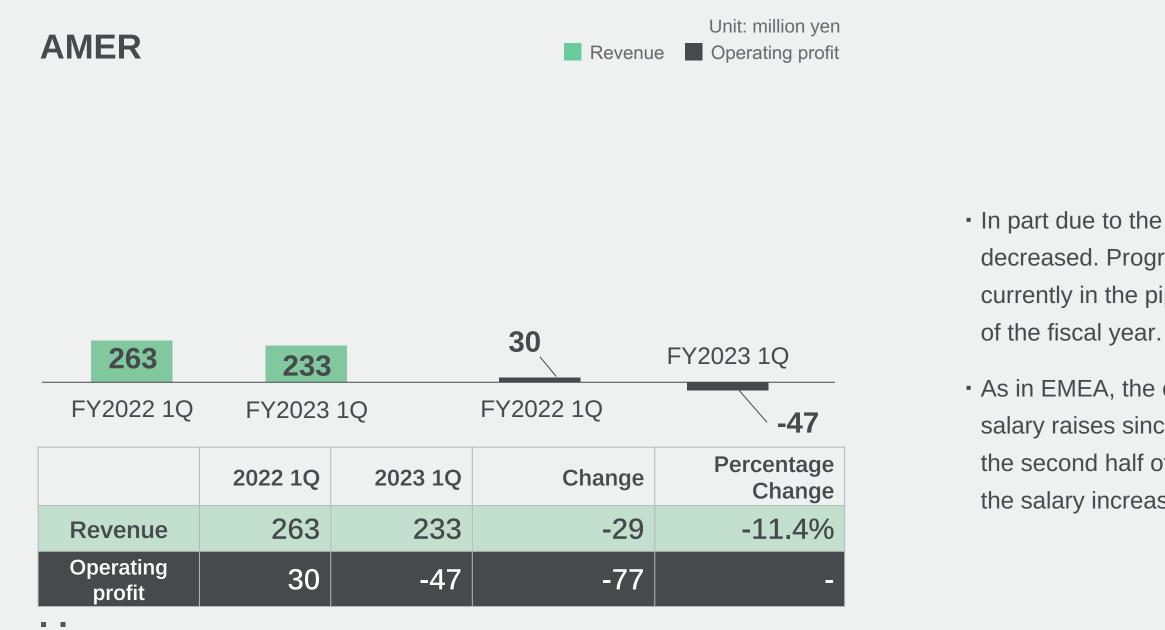
- contribution to client acquisitions.
- an operating profit margin of -6.5%.
- second half of the fiscal year.

 Achieved significant revenue growth of +77% YoY due to expansion of existing clients, acquisition of strategy area projects, and large government projects. The four service lines (strategy, design, development, and data analysis), which were rolled out in an agile manner as a result of M&A last year, made a significant

• On the other hand, as originally planned, presales and proactive investments to enable revenue growth continued, and a temporary changeover cost was incurred due to the switch from outsourced suppliers to employees, resulting in

- Although there has been an increase in costs since the beginning of the fiscal year due to annual salary raises, the company's operations are designed so that the sales price per person rate would exceed the salary increase rate when new contracts are signed or renewed, so revenue and profit will improve in the

AMER : Although revenue and profit decreased temporarily, they are expected to improve in the second half of the year



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 In part due to the recession in the U.S. market, both revenue and profit decreased. Progress is being made in acquiring new projects, and projects currently in the pipeline will move into the development phase in the second half

 As in EMEA, the company has been incurring cost increases due to annual salary raises since the beginning of the fiscal year, but profitability will improve in the second half of the year, since the sales price per person rate would exceed the salary increase rate when outsourcing contracts are signed or renewed.

The current ratio is above 100%, ensuring a margin of security

- Current ratio : Current assets/Current liabilities = 133%

	2022 4Q	2023 1Q	Change	Percentage Change
Current assets	7,063	7,437	+374	+5.3%
Cash and cash equivalents	2,773	3,259	+486	+17.5%
Non-current assets	5,858	7,022	+1,163	+19.9%
Total assets	12,921	14,459	+1,538	+11.9%
Current liabilities	5,498	5,580	+82	+1.5%
Non-Current liabilities	3,330	3,221	-109	-3.3%
Equity	4,092	5,657	+1,565	+38.2%
Total liabilities and equity	12,921	14,459	+1,538	+11.9%

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Unit: million yen

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Future growth strategy comprised of **three pillars**

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Strengthening talents and operations to support high growth

Human resources strategy leveraging M&A and partnerships Continued investment in global operations platform (profit/loss management system, knowledge-sharing system, etc.)



M&A in regions that are sources of growth

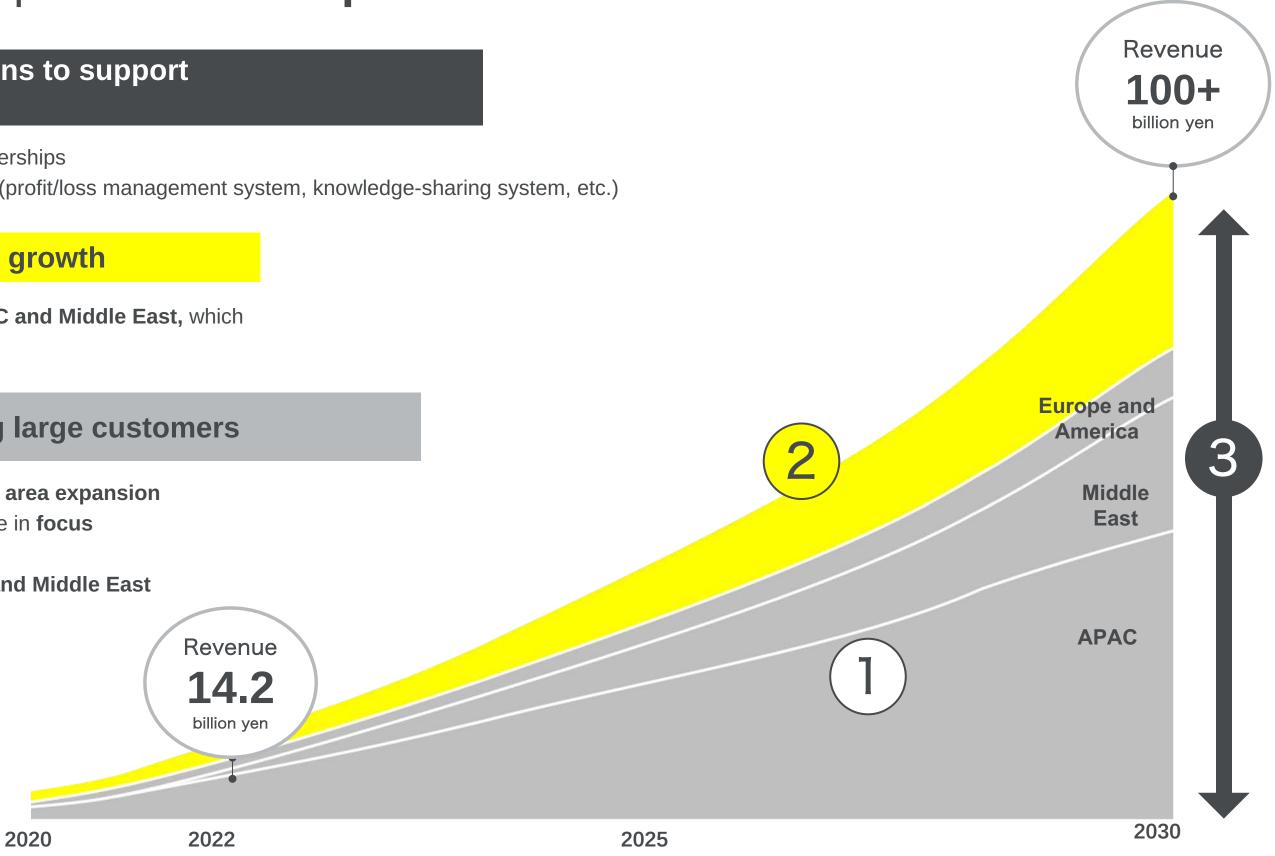
Pursuing M&A to strengthen competitiveness in APAC and Middle East, which are positioned as sources of growth



Organic growth through cultivating large customers

Maximizing revenue per customer through business area expansion Improving revenue per project by developing expertise in **focus** industries/practices

Expanding orders by enhancing marketing in APAC and Middle East



Note: The above is an image only and differs from actual sales.

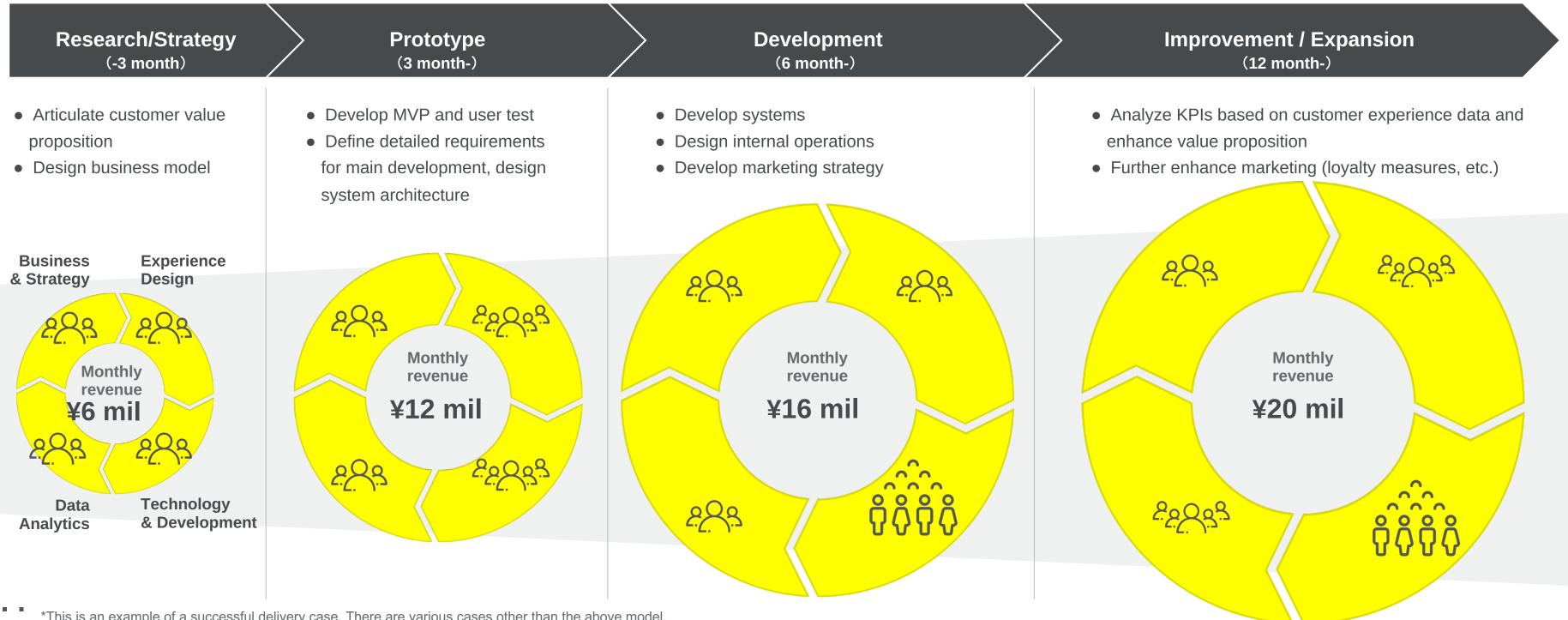
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We continue to improve services and businesses for innovation creation-type DX, resulting in a business model conducive to continuous revenue growth

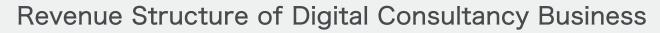
Example of Monstarlab's DX Model



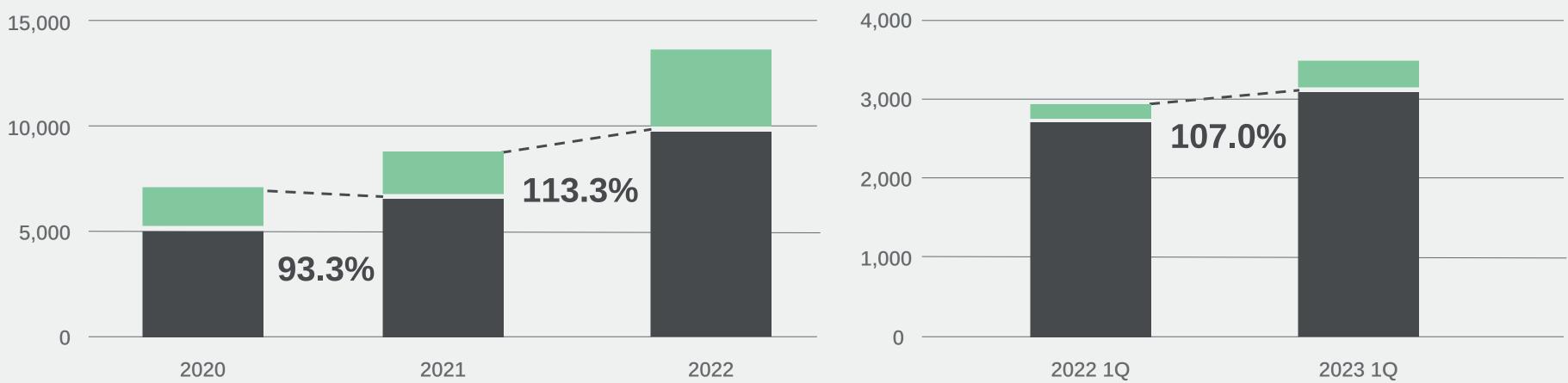
*This is an example of a successful delivery case. There are various cases other than the above model.

For most projects, fees are charged to the client based on a time and material contract. The revenue can be calculated by multiplying the monthly rate by the number of human resources working on the project.

The business has highly stable revenue, with revenue from existing clients alone surpassing 100% of last year's revenue*1



Existing client revenue *² New client revenue



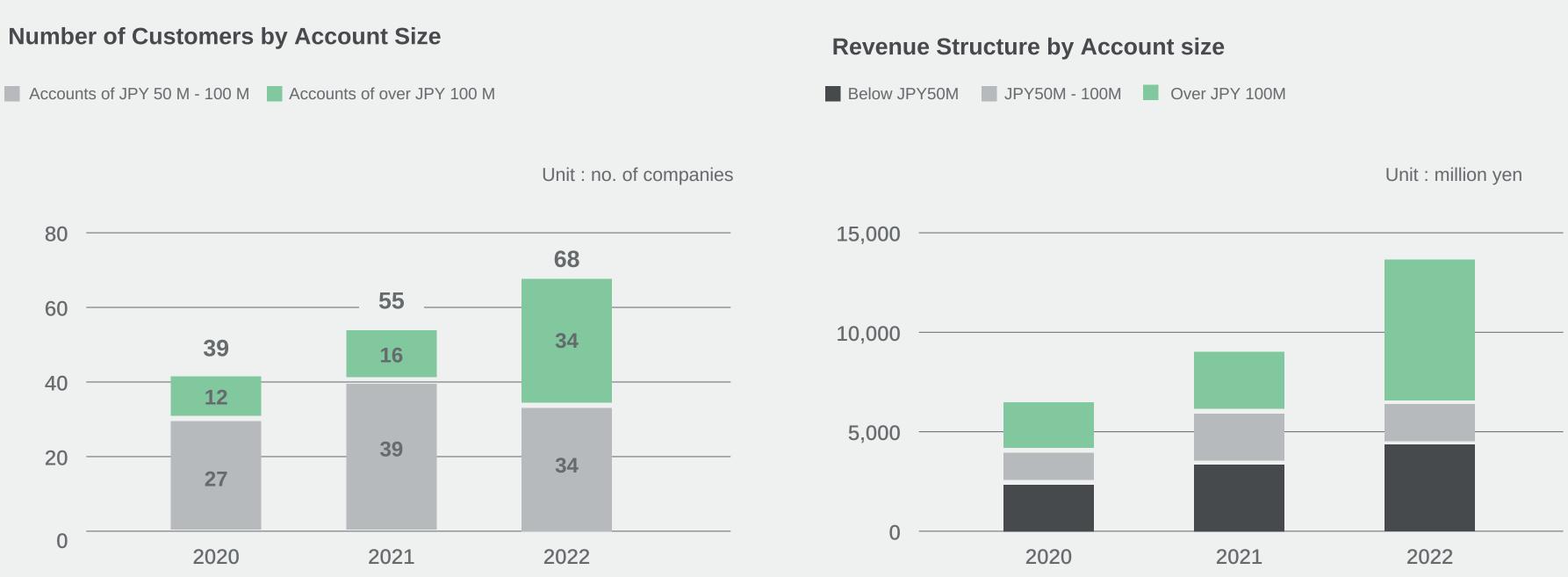
*1 Digital consultancy business revenue

*2 Existing clients: Clients providing revenue from FY2019 until the beginning of the applicable fiscal year.

Unit : million yen

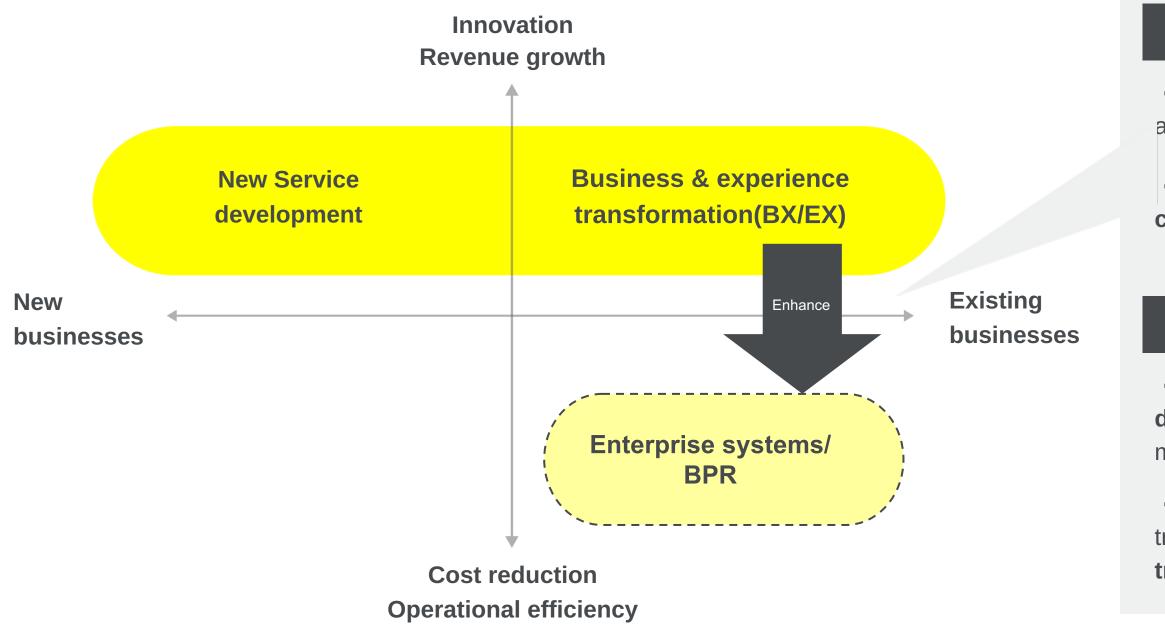
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An increase in large-account customers is driving rapid growth



Notes: Revenue is for digital consultancy business . .

Leveraging our existing strengths in the "innovation" and "revenue growth" areas, we aim to maximize the value provided to customers by **strengthening the related areas of data and operation area**



Enhance data analytics

• **Practical support for data and AI applications** from a business perspective

Strengthening data-driven proposal and response capabilities targeting corporate management

Enhance platform/operation consulting

• Strengthening consulting services to support developing infrastructure that supports data-driven management

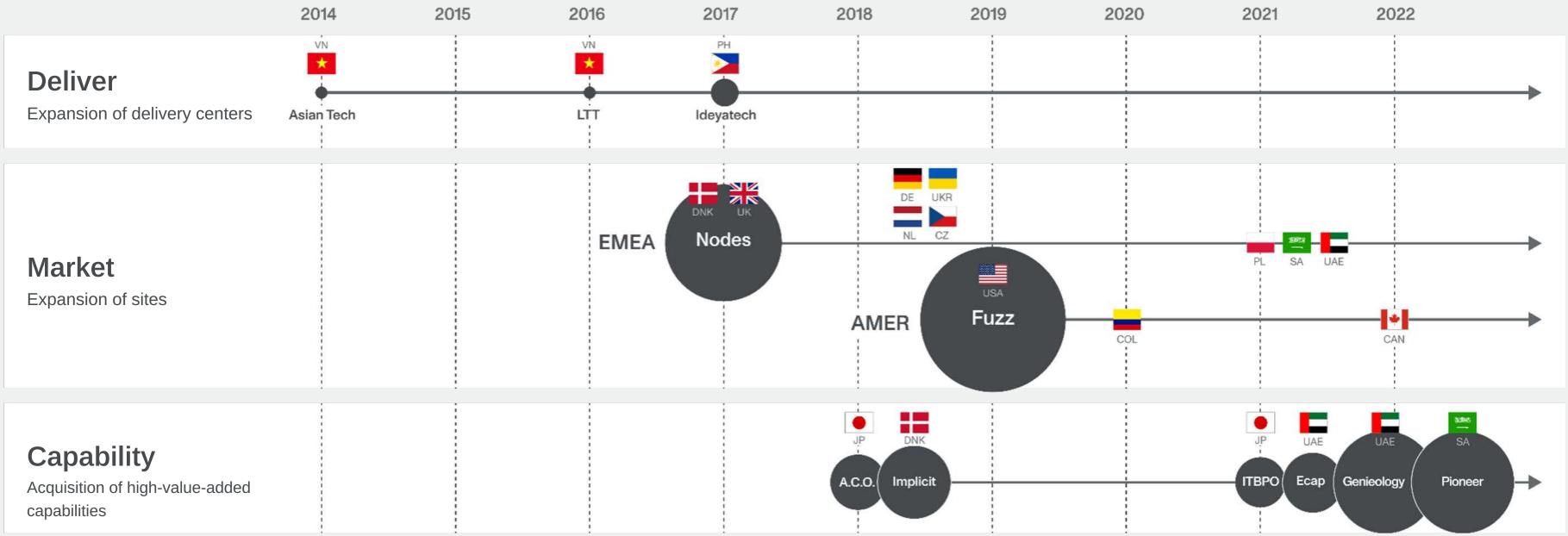
• Analysis of **business flow** and required design data transactions, data structure **design**, and **business transformation**

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Monstarlab has completed 10+ strategic M&As globally, recently transitioning from M&A aimed at expanding its sites to lower-risk M&A for aimed at capability acquisition



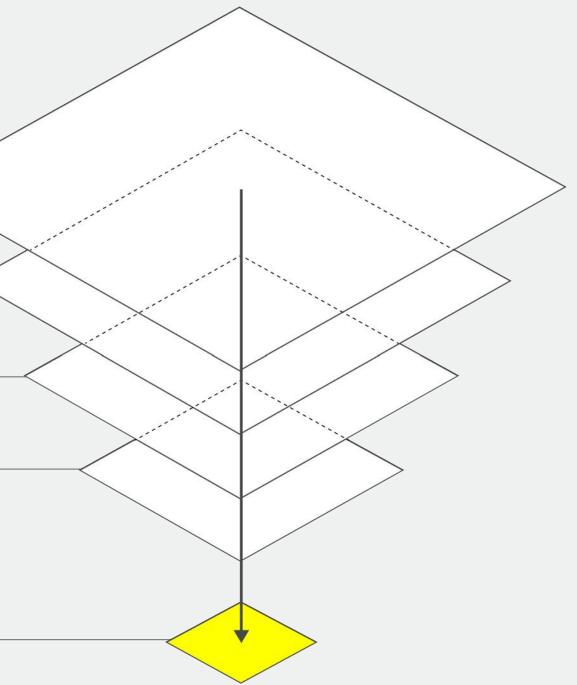
- *The size of the circle indicates the deal size for illustrative purposes. We executed M&A focused on acquiring capabilities based on the understanding that the PMI risks for these ©2006 2023 Monstarlab, Inc. All rights reserved. . . deals are low compared to M&A focused on expanding sites, since we can leverage our existing operational base.
- The current names of key subsidiaries are as follows: Nodes is now Monstarlab Denmark, ApS, and Fuzz is now Monstarlab, LLC.

Handling various stages of the M&A process internally, from sourcing deals to negotiating sales, enables us to use M&A to drive future growth

1,200 companies	Create longlist and make contact
250 companies	Screening to narrow down the list
150 companies ——	Interviews with candidate company management by Monstarlab's CEO
7 companies	DD and negotiations by Monstarlab
1 company	Acquisition

**Example of M&A process during the acquisition of Nodes and the approximate number of candidate companies in each phase.

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By forming global teams for each function, we have established strong operations that enable us to achieve successful PMI and growth after M&A

Standardization of Service Quality and Processes for Sharing Expertise, Best Practices, Etc.



Examples of Global Operations

Sharing case studies & industry

Case study sharing system and sharing at regular global meetings

Creating delivery playbook

Globally integrated process from strategy to design to development

Sharing latest tech trends

Monthly global meetings to share latest tech trends and best practices in various countries

MPlanner (global assignment system)

Understanding and coordinating assignment of personnel Group-wide using system developed in-house

Global recruitment

Able to approach required human resources globally by accessing human resources markets around the world

Monstar university(training program)

Training program for Group employees established within Monstarlab

Security & Governance

Systems and security management at the global level. Risk management of sales opportunities and projects

GFSSC (Global Finance Team)

Developing shared services for Group accounting to optimize the cost and efficiency of accounting processes

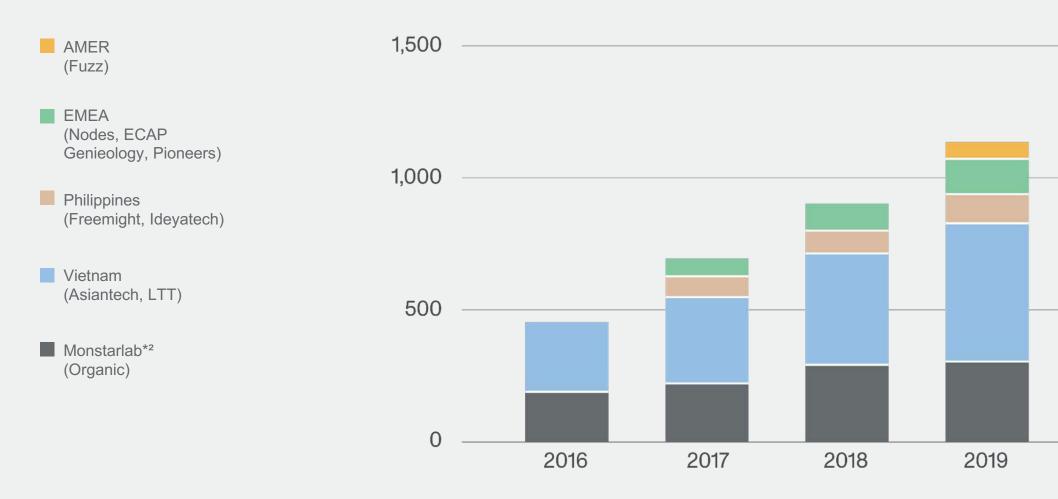
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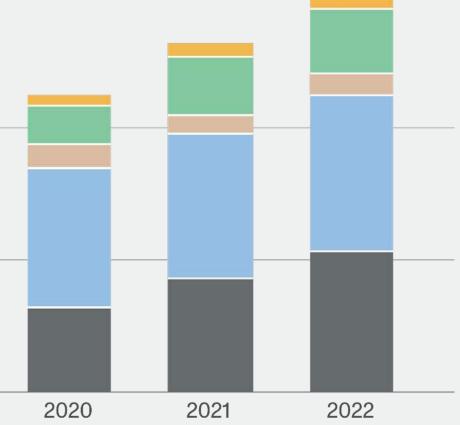
We are **steadily increasing our headcount** through a combination of organic recruitment and personnel acquired through M&A

- Since 2016, our headcount grew about 3-fold through organic growth of Monstarlab alone —
- Through recruitment of human resources from leading companies in various industries, we have acquired core system-related expertise and industry knowledge _

Headcounts Based on Organic Growth and Acquisition of Other Companies*1



- *1 Number of employees at each company as of December 31 each year.
- *2 Headcounts in Japan indicate the total number of employees following M&As under the "Organic" . . headcount since the integration of the organizations makes it difficult to calculate them separately.



Established internship-based training and recruitment in Vietnam through university partnerships going back over 10 years

Partnership with top universities for over 10 years

- Hanoi University of Science and Technology
- Hanoi University
- Hanoi University of Technology
- Da Nang University of Technology
- Da Nang University of Technology & Education
- Duy Tan University

and more...

Hired interns from over 70 universities from 2017 to 2022



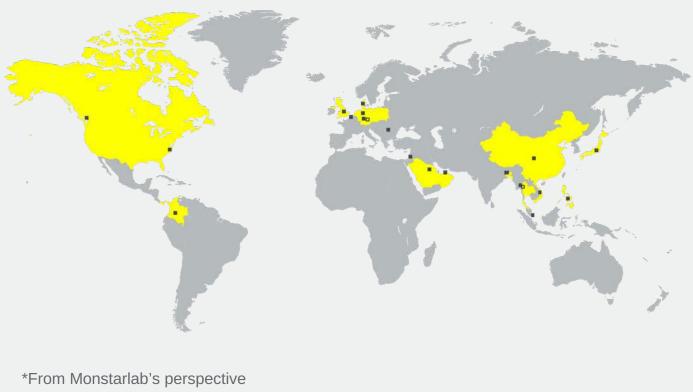
Established training program

Internship applications from 2017 to 2022

Interns hired as employees from 2017 to 2022

By leveraging our unique position in the DX market and access to a global talent pool as **competitive advantages from a recruitment perspective**, we have **eliminated bottlenecks when hiring personnel**

Global coverage allows us to access a worldwide talent pool



Main Motives for Joining Monstarlab

To be involved in innovative digital transformation, from strategy to execution

 Consulting firms and SIers mostly focus business enhancement and DX, which lin phases in which employees can be involved

Environment enabling growth while l about advanced technology and bus

- There are many opportunities to grow the one's work, such as cutting-edge DX usin and new business projects, etc.
- Programs such as Monstar University ac encourage employee growth

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Global work environment

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learning	Startup culture with diversity
siness	 There are many people from startup and tech
rough	backgrounds, creating a diverse, open culture
ing Al	 Our culture facilitates integration of employee
	from traditional companies, other industries,
ctively	and other countries, enabling us to
-	accommodate diverse human resources

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