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Results Briefing for the Third Quarter of the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2015

Feb 4th, 2015

Kakaku.com, Inc.

Review of Quarterly Business Conditions

FY3/2015 3Q Results (Quarterly)

- The operating margin excluding Time Design, was 50.6% in 3Q
- Ordinary income includes gain (non-operating income) of roughly ¥300 million on sale of securities (Unit: million yen)

	FY3/2014 3Q (Oct-Dec 2013)	FY3/2015 2Q (Jul-Sep 2014)	FY3/2015 3Q (Oct-Dec 2014)	QoQ	YoY
Sales	7,660	8,551	9,217	+7.8%	+20.3%
Operating income	3,810	3,715	4,566	+22.9%	+19.9%
Ordinary income	3,827	3,734	4,913	+31.6%	+28.4%
Net income	2,345	2,350	3,120	+32.8%	+33.0%
Operating margin	49.7%	43.4%	49.5%	+6.1pts	-0.2pts

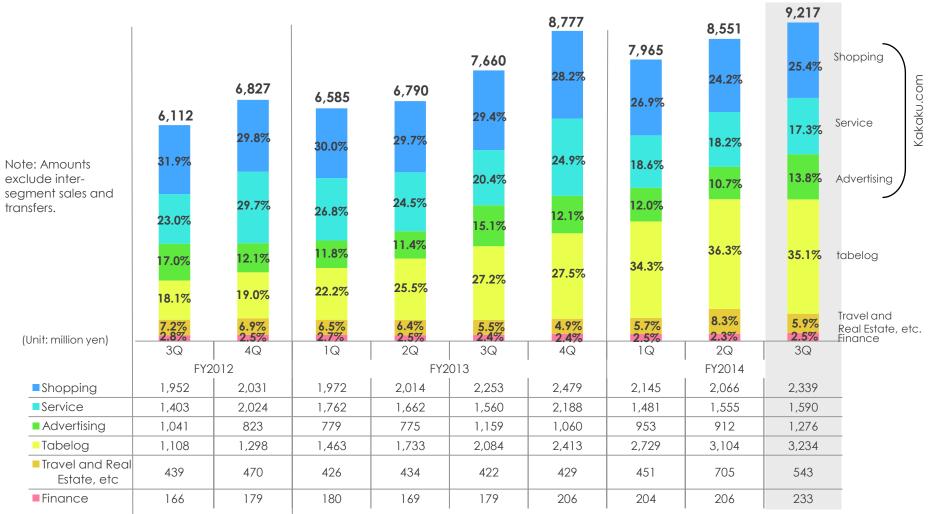
FY3/2015 3Q Results (Cumulative)

(Unit: million yen)

	FY3/2014 3Q (Apr-Dec 2013)	FY3/2015 3Q (Apr-Dec 2014)	YoY	Full year forecast (Apr 2014 – Mar 2015)	Progress relative to forecast
Sales	21,036	25,734	+22.3%	36,500	70.5%
Operating income	10,310	11,791	+14.4%	17,300	68.2%
Ordinary income	10,387	12,156	+17.0%	17,300	70.3%
Net income	6,373	7,690	+20.7%	11,000	69.9%
Operating margin	49.0%	45.8%	-3.2pts	47.4%	-

Quarterly Sales by Business Category (Consolidated)

- Service sales grew YoY amid recovery in sales from auto insurance estimates and personal finance comparison services
- tabelog's sales grew 55.2% YoY, driven by an increase in fee-paying restaurants



Quarterly Cost Breakdown (Consolidated)

Operating margin recovered to 49.5% by virtue of containment of major costs



Operating review by Site

Products and services comparison site

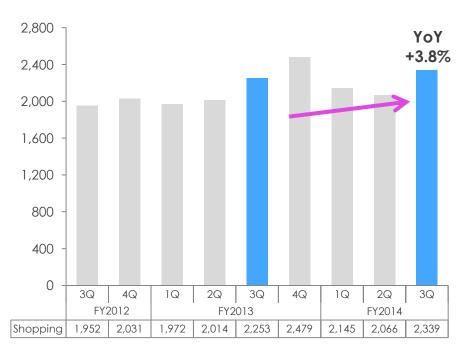


Kakaku.com Shopping Segment

3Q Topics

- Shopping sales continued to grow, up 3.8% YoY, despite post-tax-hike consumer retrenchment and aftermath of PC demand spike precipitated by termination of support for Windows XP
- Launched price comparison service for seven categories of beverages, including western liquor
 (Oct)
- Monthly users surpassed 52 million, a new all-time record in December
- Announced "Product Award 2014" winners selected by site users (Dec)

Quarterly Sales Trend (million yen)



Product Award 2014

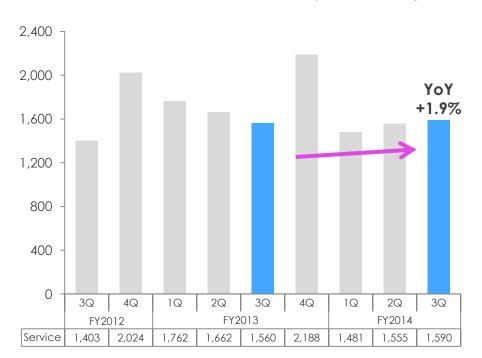


Kakaku.com Service Segment

3Q Topics

- Home mortgage applications increased 4.2x YoY in 3Q
- Launched expert reviews in insurance category (Oct)
- Agreed to acquire automotive website webCG from Nikkei Group in the aim of expanding
 Kakaku.com's automotive content (acquisition of 66.5% equity stake in webCG slated to close in
 February) (Nov)

Quarterly Sales Trend (million yen)



webCG's Top Page

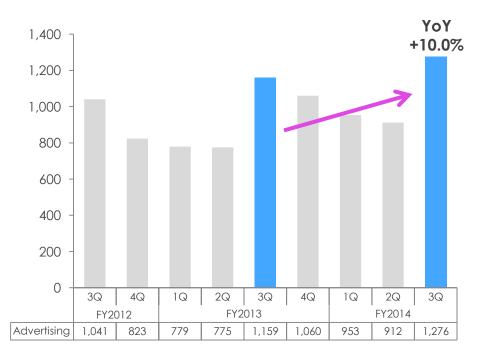


Kakaku.com Advertising Segment

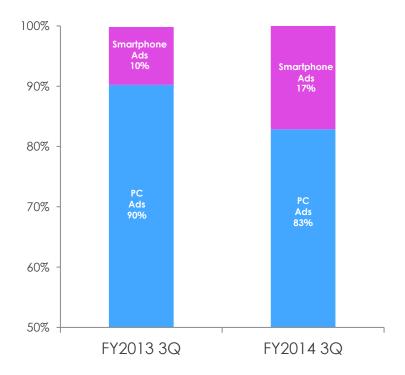
3Q Topics

- Kakaku.com's advertising sales increased a solid 10.0% YoY
- Kakaku.com smartphone site launched interest-matched ad delivery based on users' search history (Oct)
- Smartphone ads' share of advertising sales increased to 17% as a result of stepped-up smartphone ad selling

Quarterly Sales Trend (million yen)



Ad Sales Breakdown by Device



Restaurant ratings and review site



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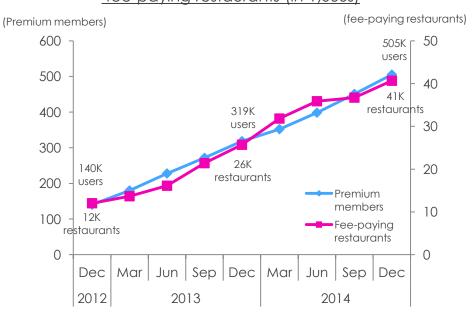
3Q Topics

- Premium members surpassed cumulative total of 500,000 (Dec)
- Conducted online reservation campaign featuring ANA mileage rewards (Nov)
- Restaurants offering online reservation service surpassed 10,000; some 250,000 users placed reservations in December
- Launched tabelog matome, a user-curated gourmet site (Dec)



YoY 3,600 +55.2% 3,200 2,800 2,400 2,000 1,600 1,200 800 400 0 3Q 2Q 3Q 4Q 1Q 2Q 4Q 1Q 3Q FY2013 FY2014 FY2012 1,298 2,084 2,413 2,729 tabelog 1,108 1,463 1,733 3,104 3,234

<u>Premium members (in 1,000s) and</u> fee-paying restaurants (in 1,000s)



Travel, Real Estate and others









Time Design

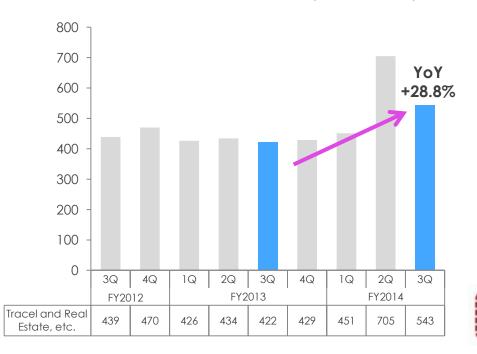
Travel and Real Estate and other businesses

3Q Topics

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- Although 3Q sales were down QoQ due to seasonality, they continued to grow robustly on a YoY basis
- Released Android version of *Recipom* in October; added links to online supermarkets (Nov)
- Started linkage of tabelog reservation service on 4travel (Oct)
- Time Design partnered with Spring Tour Japan from October; started offering dynamic packages with accommodations at hotels listed on yoyaQ site (Nov)

Quarterly Sales Trend (million yen)



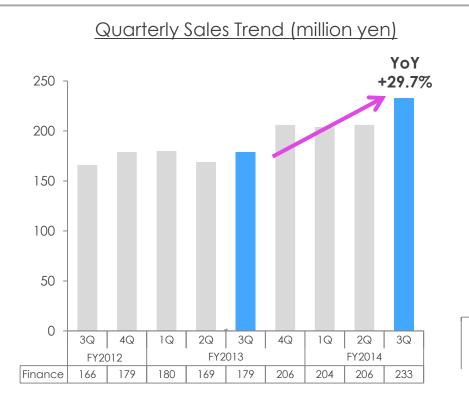
4travel's restaurant reservation page

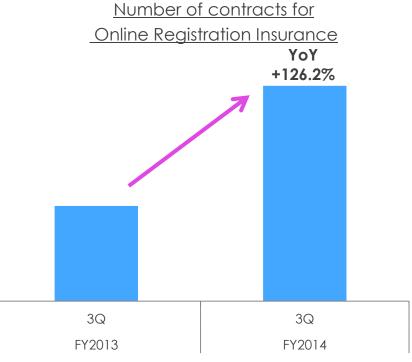


Finance Segment

3Q Topics

- Financial service sales increased 29.7% YoY, boosted by growth in life insurance policies written and sales of overseas travel insurance purchasable online
- Applications for fire insurance also continued to grow briskly





Current Initiatives

Kakaku.com

Kakaku.com app to be released in March! New exclusive smartphone app features!

Enhanced convenience by virtue of app features such as push notifications, automated order entry and O2O commerce features

Kakaku.com app screenshots (mockup)





Low-cost Smartphone Service Comparison launched on January 22!

- Displays plans in ascending order of their monthly cost based on user-specified search parameters (e.g., plan type, monthly fees, data limits, carrier)
- Planning to expand Kakaku.com limited plans with special benefits

<u>Screenshot of Low-cost Smartphone</u> Service Comparison



Revision of Kakaku.com's CPC (Cost per Click) Pricing

Main product categories with revised CPC charges

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New CPC	Product Categories	Old CPC		
¥50	Hot water heaters	¥45		
¥45	Massage chairs	¥40		
	Electric motorbikes/scooters	¥40		
¥40	Desktop computers	¥35		
	LCDs, LCD monitors	¥30		
	Refrigerators, freezers	¥35		
¥35	Camera lenses, car navigation systems, air purifiers	¥30		
¥25	CPU、SSD	¥30		
	Electric bicycles, speakers	¥20		
¥20	Blue-ray drives	¥25		
	Coffee makers, mixers	¥15		
¥15	Computer peripherals	¥10		
¥10	Drugs and Supplements	¥15		
	Cleaning supplies and other household goods	¥15		

- New ¥50 CPC category added from February 1, 2015, to adjust CPC schedule to better reflect actual purchase rates based on analysis of purchase data
- Eight-tier schedule from ¥10 to ¥45 revised to nine-tier schedule from ¥10 to ¥50

How new CPC charges were set

1)CPC schedule revised based on magnitude of differences between actual CPC conversions and values based on actual purchase data

2)CPC charge lowered for household goods category with substantial growth potential

tabelog

More convenient online reservations!

- Users can select reservation time and party size from restaurant list
- One-click reservations if logged into your account



Multilingual content for visitors to Japan

Foreign users can choose Chinese, Korean or English content. Scheduled to be released in March



eiga.com and 4travel

eiga.com launched ticket reservation service

- Steady growth in users since September launch
- ■Ticket pages were visited by over **500,000 users** in December



4travel upgraded its hotel search functionality

 Domestic hotel search upgraded on January 22 to improve usability and increase search result filters' facets and criteria

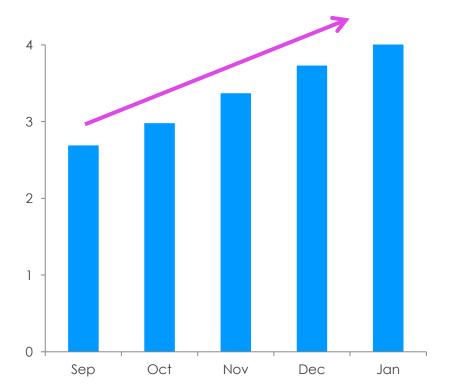


Other Businesses

Priceprice

- Monthly users (three-country total) exceeded 4.1 million in January
- New consumer-electronics categories added in December

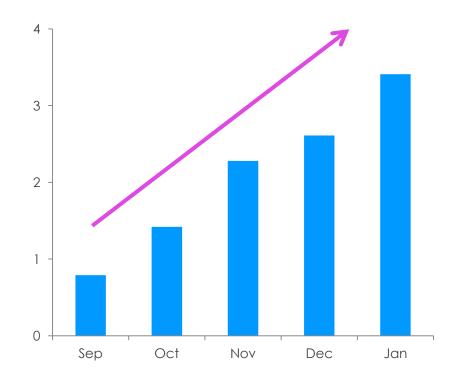
Priceprice monthly users (in millions)



Kinarino

- Monthly users increased to 3.4 million in January
- ■Cumulative total of **8,800 posts** as of January

Kinarino monthly users (in millions)



Reference Data

Segments and Business Description

Segme nt	Site Category	Business Category	Business Description	
Internet Media	Kakaku. com	Shopping	Commission income from registered shops based on the number of clicks and sales performance	
		Service	 Commission income based on factors including the number of broadband line contracts Commission income based on estimate and requests for information materials for car insurance, finance, and used car searches 	
		Advertising	 Advertising income from banners, text advertisements, and advertisements associated with site content and search keywords on Kakaku.com 	
	tabelog	tabelog	 Income from tabelog (income from advertisements for restaura and for regular clients, income from a pay-per-use business targeting individuals, etc.) 	
	Other	Travel and Real Estate, etc.	 Income from operated sites such as yoyaQ.com, 4travel, Sumaity, and Time Design 	
Finance		Finance	Commission income from a general independent insurance agency business for life insurance, non-life insurance, etc. *Operated by Kakaku.com Insurance, Inc.	

Access Status of Kakaku.com and tabelog

Products and services comparison site

Kakaku.com



52.25mn Users per month 29.79mn (PC) 22.02mn (Smartphone) (Feature phone) 0.44mn 987mn PV Total page views per month (as of end of Dec. 2014)



Restaurant ratings and review site

tabelog



63.69mn Users per month 24.67mn (PC) 37.99mn (Smartphone) 1.03mn (Feature phone) Total page views per month 1,407.88mn PV (as of end of Dec. 2014)



(Opened in May. 1997)

Access Status of Other Major Sites

User-generated travel guide

4travel



Users per month 6.87mn (PC) 3.17mn (Smartphone) 3.65mn (feature phone) 0.05mn Total page views 43.88mn PV per month

(as of end of Dec. 2014)

Movie discovery platform eiga.com

映画.com

Users per month 10.8mn (PC) 3.69mn (Smartphone) 6.89mn (feature phone) 0.21mn Total page views 67.31mn PV per month

(as of end of Dec. 2014)

Online residential estate portal Sumaity スマイティ

Users per month 1.18mn (PC) 0.81mn (Smartphone) 0.37mn (feature phone) 0.01mn Total page views 6.95mn PV per month

(as of end of Dec. 2014)



(Acquired in Jan. 2005)

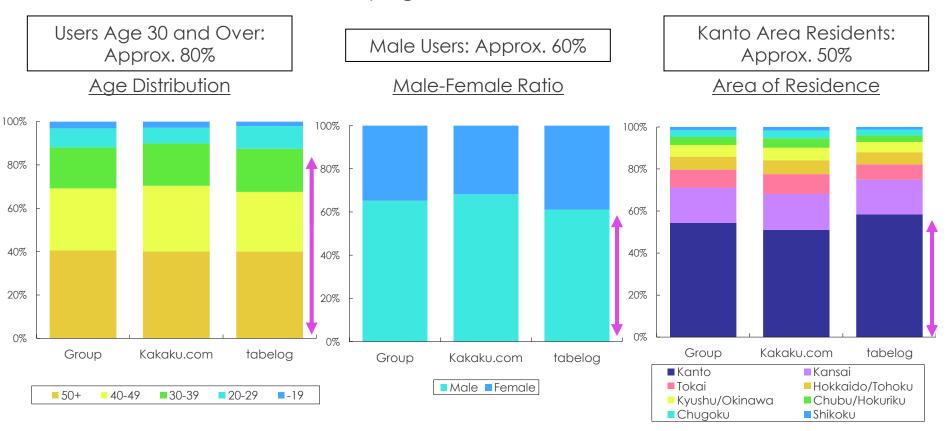


(Acquired in Apr. 2007)



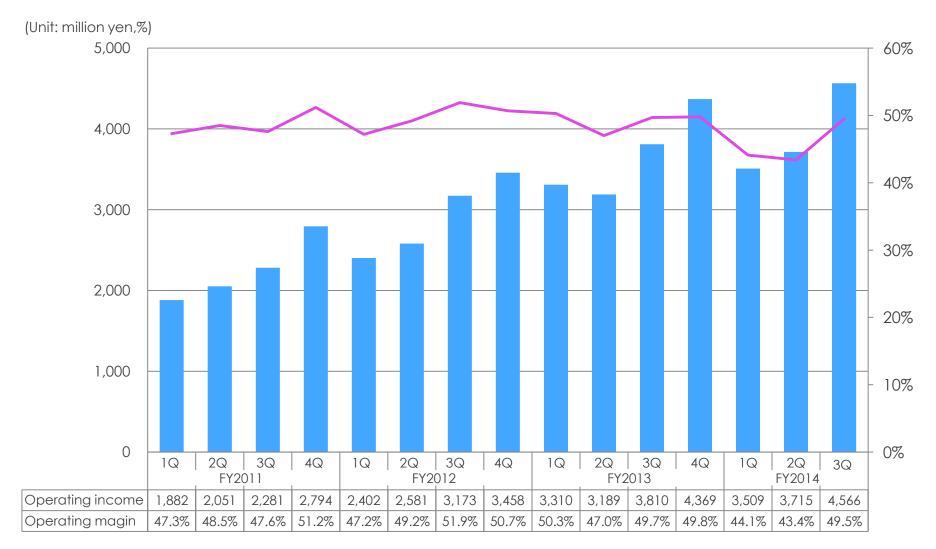
Operated Website User Profile

- A high proportion of users age 30 and over. Used by people with purchasing power
- More male users than female users. Expected increase in female users
- High proportion of access from Greater Tokyo area residents. Expected increase in users from outlying areas



Age distribution and male-female ratio: Excerpted from a Nielsen Online Dec 2014 study (Home & Work Data) Area of residence: Kakaku.com internal data (Dec 2014 survey)

Operating Income by Quarter (Consolidated)

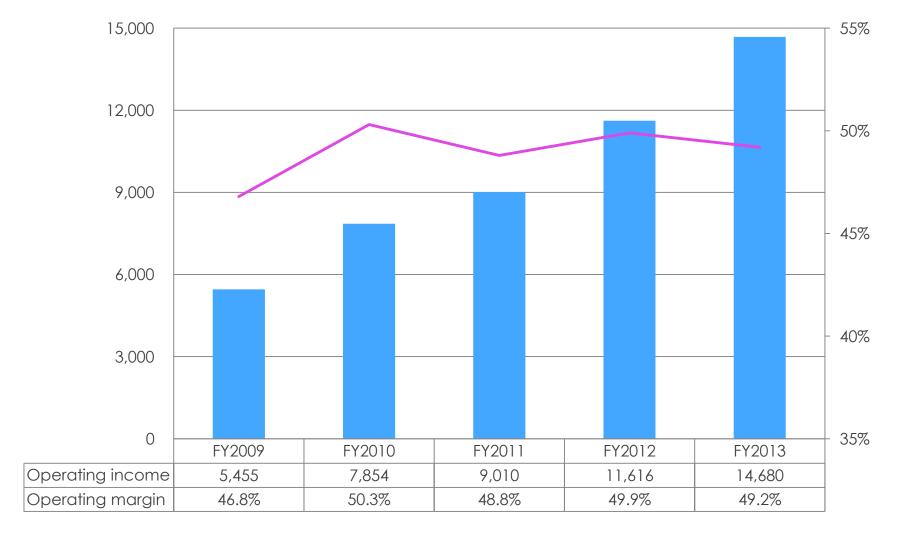


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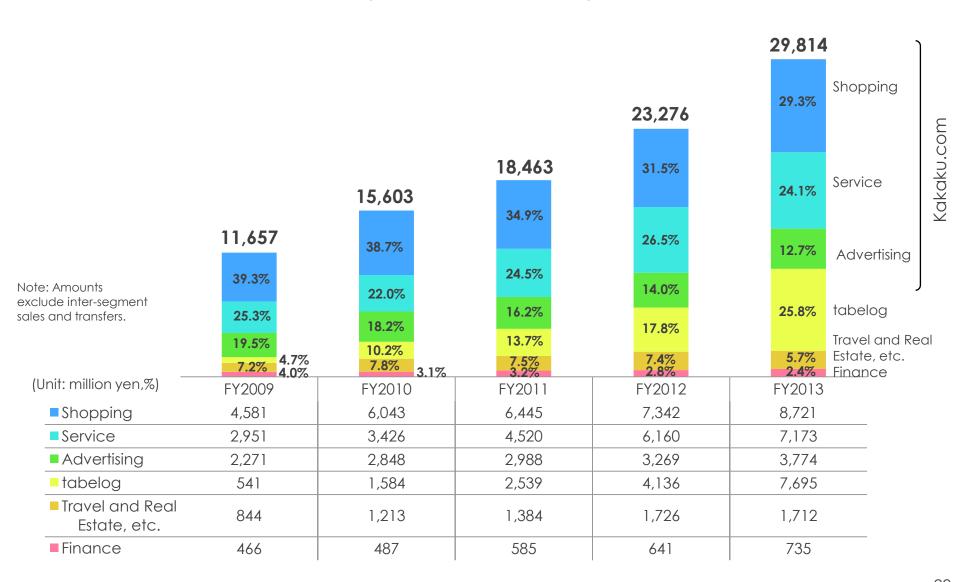


Operating Income by Fiscal Year (Consolidated)

(Unit: million yen,%)



Sales Contribution by Business by Fiscal Year (Consolidated)



Services Provided by the Kakaku.com Group

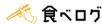
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◆ Customer Purchasing Support Site Kakaku.com

This site provides price, product, and word-of-mouth information on various products and services.

◆ Website for last-minute discounts at hotels and Japanese-style inns yoyaQ.com

This is a service for reserving rooms at hotels and Japanese-style inns at bargain rates, mainly for plans discounted due to last-minute cancellations or other special



◆ Restaurant Ranking and Review Site tabelog

This site provides reliable restaurant rankings by rating restaurants on a scale of one to five based on word-of-mouth and reviews collected from users.



◆Real Estate/Housina Information Website Sumaity

This site provides information on rental properties, apartments and houses for sale.



◆ Photo Community Site PHOTOHITO

Based on the concept "Connecting people with photos," the site provides a place for people to share their favorite photos.



◆ Word-of-mouth Travel Site 4travel

Based on the concept "Collaborative online travel guide," this site provides information on domestic and international travel posted by users. (Operated by consolidated subsidiary 4travel, Inc.)



◆Comprehensive Movie Information Site eiga.com

This site provides wide-ranging movie information reviews by professional critics and our editorial staff, as well as reviews posted by users. (Operated by consolidated subsidiary eiga.com, Inc.)



♦ Insurance Selection Consulting Service Offers a wide range of insurance, including life insurance, non-life insurance, car insurance, and travel insurance. (Operated by consolidated subsidiary Kakaku.com Insurance, Inc.)



◆Photo Sharing App for Food tabera

Unique to tabelog, this photo sharing application for food lovers is based on the concept "Sharing of everyday dining experiences."



◆Cooking Support App recipom

"Recipom is a free app that supports daily meal preparation. It allows users to easily and confidently search over 80,000 delicious recipes provided by professionals.



◆Wine Share/Management App Vinica

This is a free camera app that allows users to share their favorite new wines with friends and record tasting reviews.



◆Online semi-made-to-order bra service All For Me

All For Me allows women to design bras as they please by combining their preferred combination of colors and styles for each bra component...



Customer purchasing support site for non-Japan Asia Priceprice.com

Priceprice.com serves the Philippines. Thailand and Indonesia based on the "Enjoy Smart Shoppina" concept. It provides user reviews and pricing and product information on products.



TABÉLOG Modeled after the tabelog site for the Japanese market, TABElog is tailored to the US market with a fresh design and leading-edge functionality.



Kinarino provides a full range of lifestyle information on topics such as fashion, household goods and food based on a theme of "beautiful and gentle lifestyle."



◆ Dynamic package reservation system

Consolidated subsidiary Time Design provides a dynamic package reservation system that enables users to purchase airline tickets and reserve hotel rooms via airlines and hotels' official websites.

Company Profile

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The First Section of Tokyo Stock Exchange

■ Stock Code 2371

Related Companies

Kakaku.com Insurance, Inc. URL: http://hoken.kakaku.com/insurance/company.html

4travel, Inc.

URL: http://4travel.jp/
eiga.com, Inc.

URL: http://eiga.com/

Time Design Co. Ltd.

URL: http://www.timedesign.co.jp/

Tabélog, Inc.URL: http://www.tabelog.us/webCG, Inc.URL: http://www.webcg.net/

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