

# The Senshu Ikeda Bank, Ltd.

## We support new businesses and R&D to promote creation of new industries.

### ■ Regional revitalization through innovation creation support

#### ➤ About Senshu Ikeda Bank

We are the largest independent regional bank in the Osaka and Hanshin areas.

Established by the merger between Ikeda Bank and Senshu Bank 10 years ago, our advantage is our broad network that is free from constraints due to affiliation with a specific major financial group.

We support the creation of local innovation through industry-academia-government collaboration.

#### ➤ About Senshu Ikeda Capital

As a capital company of the Senshu Ikeda Bank Group, we actively support venture companies that have excellent technologies and business models as well as high potential for growth in the future, based on the investment policy of contributing to the development of local industries.

### ■ Main activities

#### ➤ Operation of two subsidy programs

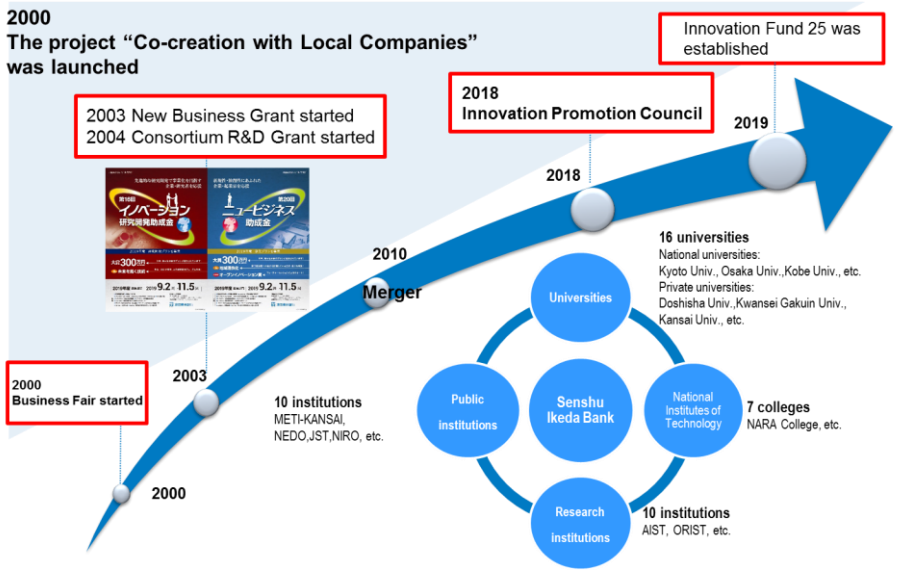
- "New Business Grants": Supporting business plans with novelty and originality
- "Innovation Research and Development Grant": Supporting advanced research and development plans
  - \* Provided grants: 435 plans in total

#### ➤ Innovation Promotion Council

With collaboration between business, academia and government in the Kansai region and the participation of 15 organizations, in 2018, the council was established with the aim of contributing to regional revitalization through strengthening the competitiveness of local companies and revitalizing local industry. With respect to the management issues of SMEs and venture companies, effective support is provided through one-stop discussions of solutions by multiple support organizations.

#### ➤ Regional revitalization fund

In anticipation of the Osaka / Kansai Expo in 2025, the "Innovation Fund 25" was formed in September 2019 with Senshu Ikeda Capital Co., Ltd. as the operator for the purpose of activating open innovation in Osaka and Kansai. We support businesses that contribute to the revitalization of the Kansai region including Osaka, through collaboration with large corporations, governments, economic organizations, and support organizations.



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