

## Nomura Launches Accelerator Program in Japan to Promote Open Innovation

**Tokyo, November 30, 2016**—Nomura, Asia's global investment bank, today announced the launch of an accelerator program in Japan, in cooperation with Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. and Nomura Real Estate Holdings, Inc.

Scheduled to launch in the end of 2016, the accelerator program aims to promote open innovation and reinforces Nomura's efforts to create new services for clients. The three companies will identify certain business and social issues as key themes for the program and solicit potential solutions from a wide range of startup companies. By providing the resources required, the three companies will partner with selected startups to develop services and products that transform the way business is done and tackle social issues.

In a continued effort to support startups in Japan, Nomura is also exploring the possibility of establishing a new company that develops, invests in and provides loans to new businesses. Total investments of 10 billion yen are currently being considered.

Nomura will continue to promote open innovation and improve customer satisfaction, while contributing to the further development of the Japanese economy.

---

ends

---

### Nomura

Nomura is an Asia-headquartered financial services group with an integrated global network spanning over 30 countries. By connecting markets East & West, Nomura services the needs of individuals, institutions, corporates and governments through its three business divisions: Retail, Asset Management, and Wholesale (Global Markets and Investment Banking). Founded in 1925, the firm is built on a tradition of disciplined entrepreneurship, serving clients with creative solutions and considered thought leadership. For further information about Nomura, visit [www.nomura.com](http://www.nomura.com).