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# Sale of Residential Assets for Launch of Third Ichigo Residence Token & Launch of Security Token Transaction System START

Ichigo Owners, Ichigo's wholly-owned subsidiary, is expanding its digital real estate business leveraging highly secure security tokens on a blockchain platform.

Following the launch of its second token this August, Ichigo Owners will begin sales of its third token, <u>Ichigo Residence Token: Shibakoen, Higashi Shinjuku, Toritsu Daigaku, Monzen Nakacho, Takaido, & Shinkoiwa</u>, with underlying assets comprising six residential assets (seven buildings, total JPY 8.9B) located in Tokyo's 23 wards.

Note: A security token is a digital asset that represents ownership of an underlying asset, which can be transferred using an electronic information processing system such as a blockchain.

#### 1. Ichigo Residence Token Rationale

Ichigo's current line-up of investment products available to individuals and business owners includes direct investments in real estate assets, two J-REITs and a listed solar producer, and the Ichigo Owners Co-Ownership business (offering small-lot investments in diverse Ichigo Owners assets).

In order to expand its product offering and provide individuals and business owners with the opportunity to easily invest in high-quality real estate backed by Ichigo's long-standing asset management expertise and real estate know-how, Ichigo Owners launched the <u>Ichigo Residence Token</u> last November, and has decided to begin sales of its third token with underlying assets comprising six Tokyo residential assets (seven buildings) with earnings stability that were strategically acquired by Ichigo Owners.

#### 2. Digital Real Estate Outlook

Similar to traditional securities like stocks, the <u>Ichigo Residence Token</u> is regulated by Japan's Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and is a highly secure investment product given that security ownership is managed on a blockchain, thus minimizing the chances of data fraud. Security tokens also enable small-lot investments in trust beneficiary interests (*juekiken*), therefore providing individual investors the opportunity to invest in alternative investments other than traditional stocks and bonds.

The third <u>Ichigo Residence Token</u> will be the first token to be traded on START, a new trading system designed for the distribution of security tokens developed by Osaka Digital Exchange ("ODX"). ODX operates a Proprietary Trading System ("PTS"), a private trading system managed by securities companies and approved by the Japanese Prime Minister, enabling transactions of over 4,000 equities traded on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. The launch of START will drive the transparency and liquidity of digital real

estate transactions via security tokens, and the market is expected to grow. With the aggregate AUM of J-REITs having grown to over JPY 20 trillion during the past two decades and the AUM of private equity funds in Japan at a similar level, Ichigo believes that digital real estate investments, which are based on security tokens, are a key growth area and will work to increase its presence within this field.

Ichigo Investment Advisors, Ichigo's wholly-owned subsidiary with long-standing expertise in managing two J-REITs, a listed solar producer, and private equity funds, will manage the underlying residential assets of the third token and leverage its extensive experience, real estate know-how, and hands-on approach to provide professional real estate asset management services to individual investors.

Ichigo will provide opportunities to make investments in high-quality real estate assets broadly and readily available to many investors. Ichigo's involvement throughout the value chain, starting with product creation through to investment of the underlying assets, will establish touchpoints with new investors and is expected to contribute towards growing Ichigo's long-term stock earnings. Ichigo will continue to work towards growing its new digital real estate business and driving shareholder value.

#### Osaka Digital Exchange (ODX) Overview www.odx.co.jp

Name	Osaka Digital Exchange Co., Ltd.	
Principal Businesses	Operation of PTS for equities	
	Operation of START, a private security token trading	
	system	
Major Shareholders	SBI PTS Holdings, Co., Ltd.	
	Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	
	Nomura Holdings, Inc.	
	Daiwa Securities Group Inc.	
	Cboe Worldwide Holdings Limited	
Representatives	Yoshitaka Kitao, Representative Director & Chairman	
	Kimio Mikazuki, Representative Director & President	
Address	3-2-18, Nakanoshima, Kita-ku, Osaka	
	(Osaka Office)	
	3-1-1, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo (Tokyo Office)	
Establishment Date	April 1, 2021	
Registration & License	Financial Instruments Dealer License, Kanto Financial	
	Bureau #3328	
	PTS Operation for Equities	

#### 3. Buyer Overview (Launch Date: December 22, 2023)

Name	GK IST Residence 3 (Operator of Third Ichigo
	Residence Token)
Address	3-1-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Representative	Managing Member: IST Residence 3
	Manager: Masakazu Hongo
Relationship to Ichigo	The GK does not have any material capital or
	personnel relationship with Ichigo. Ichigo's
	consolidated subsidiary, Ichigo Investment Advisors,
	will provide asset management services.

Reference: <u>Ichigo Residence Token: Shibakoen, Higashi Shinjuku, Toritsu Daigaku, Monzen Nakacho, Takaido, & Shinkoiwa</u> Overview

Total Issue Price	JPY 2.925 billion (Expected as of today)	
Total Assets Under	JPY 8.956 billion	
Management		
Investment Term	5 years and 2 months (Expected)	
Asset Management	Ichigo Investment Advisors	
Company		
Custodian	Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation	
Security Token Issuer	Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation	
Lead Underwriter	SBI Securities Co., Ltd.	

To ensure information transparency, disclosures regarding the security tokens will be provided via a dedicated website, which will be made available starting on the same day as the Ichigo Residence Token: Shibakoen, Higashi Shinjuku, Toritsu Daigaku, Monzen Nakacho, Takaido, & Shinkoiwa. Disclosures will also be available on START-NET, ODX's disclosure system, after the token begins trading on START.

The security tokens will be issued and managed using the Progmat blockchain platform. <a href="https://progmat.co.jp">https://progmat.co.jp</a> (Japanese only)

For inquiries, please contact Ichigo Investment Advisors at +81-3-3502-4803.

#### 4. Transaction Schedule

Board Resolution Date	November 20, 2023
Contract Date	December 22, 2023
Settlement Date	December 22, 2023

#### 5. Underlying Asset Details

Asset Name	Construction Completion Date
GRAN PASEO Shibakoen	April 2023
GRAN PASEO Higashi Shinjuku	December 2022
PASEO Toritsu Daigaku North/South	September 2022
GRAN PASEO Monzen Nakacho	June 2023
GRAN PASEO Takaido	August 2022
THE PASEO Shinkoiwa II	June 2023

#### 5. Earnings Impact

Ichigo expects to record FY24/2 revenue of JPY 8.9 billion from the sales of <u>Ichigo Residence Token: Shibakoen, Higashi Shinjuku, Toritsu Daigaku, Monzen Nakacho, Takaido, & Shinkoiwa</u>, which has already been factored into Ichigo's FY24/2 consolidated earnings forecast announced on April 19, 2023.

#### Reference:

Underlying Assets of <u>Ichigo Residence Token: Shibakoen, Higashi Shinjuku, Toritsu Daigaku, Monzen Nakacho, Takaido, & Shinkoiwa</u>

#### GRAN PASEO Shibakoen



# GRAN PASEO Higashi Shinjuku



# PASEO Toritsu Daigaku North/South









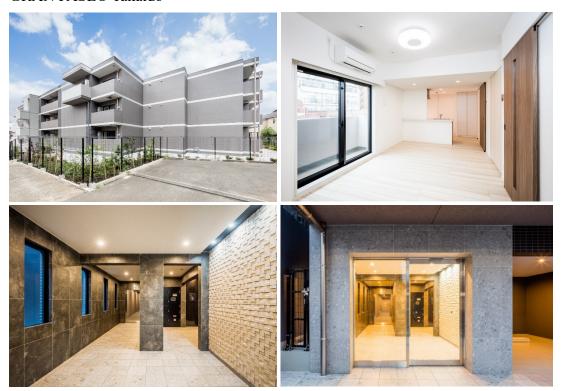




### GRAN PASEO Monzen Nakacho



# GRAN PASEO Takaido



THE PASEO Shinkoiwa II

