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Acceptance on Application Closed for Regulatory Sandbox Ideathon Leveraging "mijin v.2 (Catapult)"

- Over 60 Applications from Domestic and Foreign Countries -

TOKYO – September 13, 2018 – Today Tech Bureau Holdings, Corp., a fintech and cryptocurrency solutions company, announced that it has received over 60 applications, which the acceptance has been closed on September 12, from domestic and overseas including both corporates and individuals for the ideas for the "Regulatory Sandbox* Ideathon" that is to be executed at FIN/SUM 2018 & REG/SUM (the occasion itself being organized by the Financial Services Agency and Nikkei Inc.) in September, a global event that Tech Bureau Holdings, Corp. provides technical support and "mijin v.2 (Catapult)".

*The "Regulatory Sandbox" is a proof-of-concept system which has been introduced to test new technologies etc. The system itself is in accordance with the enactment of the provisions set out in the Act on Special Measures for Productivity Improvement.



There had been a numerous entries with a huge range of genre including domestic and overseas consisting famous companies and start-up companies, students and many other variety of applicants for the Ideathon. Therefore, it can be predicted that the contest to be held will turn out to be a high-level and worth seeing. For the ward ceremony, Tech Bureau Holdings, Corp. is considering to award an original prize as well. Accordingly, it decided to have many people throughout the world to be creative leveraging mijin v.2 (Catapult), and the company's goal is to bring together numerous new and imaginative ideas for business models that can themselves give rise to added value. In doing so, the aim is to assist the speedy validation and social implementation of such good ideas.

Schedule:

September 25: Workshop (Conference Square, Shin-Marunouchi Building)
September 26: Ideathon (3x3 Lab Future)
September 27: Demonstration Day (Pitches) (3x3 Lab Future)
September 28: Announcement of Results & Award Ceremony (Main Hall, Marunouchi Building)

About FIN/SUM 2018 & REG/SUM

FIN/SUM (the Fintech Summit) represents both an opportunity to convey around the world the Fintech situation in Japan and the opportunities that exist in the country. It is also an international event that aims to construct a global startup ecosystem that utilizes Japan as a hub. In following on from last year, the event will again be held in Tokyo's Marunouchi and Otemachi districts. This year in 2018, FIN/SUM will encompass REG/SUM (the Regtech Summit), with the overall theme of the event being "Competition & Collaboration."

Event Details

Title: FIN/SUM 2018 & REG/SUM: Competition & Collaboration Organizers: Financial Services Agency, Nikkei, Inc. Special Supporter: Mitsubishi Estate Supported by: Bank of Japan, Japanese Bankers Association, etc. Dates: September 25 (Tue.) – 28 (Fri.), 2018 Venues: Marunouchi Building, Shin-Marunouchi Building, 3x3 Lab Future, etc. Activities: Symposiums, displays, workshops, Sandbox Ideathon, etc. Visitor Numbers: Approx. 10,000 visitors Official Website: http://finsum.ip/ia/

About *mijin*

Developed by Tech Bureau, *mijin* is designed to meet versatile enterprise needs with its enhanced private blockchain utilizing the NEM protocol that easily creates blockchain platforms on peer-to-peer networks. The blockchains can be used internally or in collaboration with partner companies in a cloud or other shared data environments. The *mijin* blockchain creates a secure data-sharing environment with high performance, zero downtime, and unfalsifiable data, while reducing the cost of conventional infrastructure. *mijin* has been tested extensively as a high-throughput ledger engine in financial institutions, electronic money systems, user authentication, land and property registration, logistics tracking, and food traceability.

About Tech Bureau Holdings, Group

Tech Bureau Holdings, Corp. and Tech Bureau, Corp., fintech and cryptocurrency group companies in Japan, the U.S., and Europe, develop software and services for blockchain technology. As a team and as a group, we have developed; mijin, a private blockchain software; and Zaif, a Bitcoin and cryptocurrency exchange platform. Tech Bureau Holdings and Tech Bureau recently launched a one-stop solution, COMSA, which provides companies with consultation, expertise, and solutions to support their very own ICOs and implementations of blockchain technology into their businesses.

For more information, please see the following URLs: Zaif —<u>https://zaif.jp/</u> mijin —<u>https://mijin.io/</u> COMSA —<u>https://comsa.io/en/</u>

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About NEM.io Foundation Ltd

ABOUT THE NEM Foundation Ltd NEM.io Foundation is registered in Singapore, operating

globally. It was launched to promote NEM's blockchain technology worldwide. It is one of the most well-funded and successful blockchain technology projects in the cryptocurrency industry.

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