

Fukuoka Growth Next

FGN is a startup support facility that provides various supports and opportunities for startups to accelerate growth and develop their business. It is conveniently located in Tenjin, the center of Fukuoka City, making it an accessible hub for startups in the area.



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Office & Co-working Space

Team room



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Room

From JPY 54,441/month

Shared Office



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Fixed seat

From JPY 27,500/month

Co-working space



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Free seat

From JPY 16,500/month

FGN provides various types of offices and shared spaces, such as team rooms, shared offices and co-working spaces.



Facility

<https://growth-next.com/en/facility>

RAMEN TECH

2026.10.7 Wed - 11 Sun

International Startup & Business Matching Event

2026.10.7 Wed & 11 Sun

Please come join us!

Actual results from 2025

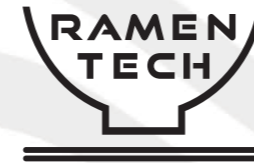
12,000+ attendees,

70+ Events

and more!

The international business matching event, "RAMEN - Revolutionizing Asia: Merging Ecosystems & Networks - TECH," aims to foster new innovations by integrating international ecosystems and networks in Fukuoka City, Japan's gateway city to Asia.

Held annually in October, this event brings together startups, investors, ecosystem builders and corporations from across Asia and beyond—and, of course, there will be some delicious ramen for you to enjoy, too. Please come join us for this special event!



RAMEN TECH

<https://ramen-tech.jp/en/>



Co-Creating Asia's Startup Ecos

TECHNOLOGY

Startup Package For Foreign Entrepreneurs

Fukuoka Japan

Why Fukuoka?

Population

1.67M

Area

343 km²

Fukuoka / fu-'kū-ō-kā / Major city in southern Japan known for its modern amenities, rich cultural heritage, and growing prominence as a hub for food, business, technology, and innovation.

FUKUOKA



Highest population growth rate

Fukuoka City has the highest population growth rate among the 20 ordinance-designated city in Japan. Also, No.1 among all metropolises in terms of the growth rate for the young people (teens / 20s).

[Source] Compiled by Fukuoka City based on the 2020 National Census (basic count of population and other data)



YOUNG RESIDENTS

Highest ratio of young residents (15~29 years old)*



FASTEST GROWING

Highest population growth rate (2015~2020)*



MULTI - CULTURAL

Highest growth rate of foreign residents(2000~2020)*

GBS

Global Business Support

Well experienced advisors provide free consultation for startup's business expansion both in Fukuoka and globally. English, German, Chinese, Korean and Burmese are available.

Various Supports



Startup Visa

Localization

Business Matching

Incorporation

Pitch Opportunities

Marketing

This initiative is Fukuoka City's way of rolling out the red carpet for foreign entrepreneurs and financial institutions.

Picture a one-stop center where they can access resources, information, and expert advice. Whether you're dreaming up the next unicorn startup or plotting strategic investments, GBS has your back.

Why the spotlight on English support? Well, Fukuoka's got its eyes on the global stage. They're grooving to become the ultimate startup and financial hub in Asia. So, if you're ready to make waves, Fukuoka's waiting with open arms!

- Consultation on business expansion from Fukuoka to overseas
- Consultation on business expansion from overseas to Fukuoka
- Startup visa Reception
- Consultations on international finance

Startup Visa

Entrepreneurs can get a Startup Visa valid for up to two years, which allows them to start their business with relaxed requirements.

Number of startup visa applications: **196 cases**
(As of the end of March 2026)



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Engineer Visa

By having many foreign IT engineers and companies take advantage of this scheme, Fukuoka City aims to become "engineer-friendly city", where engineers can come, play active roles and grow together.



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Expanding Sales Routes & Networks

Fukuoka City Demonstration and Experimental Full Support Project

We are seeking proof-of-concept projects across Japan that utilize AI, IoT and other advanced technologies to address social issues and enhance quality of life. Successful applicants will receive comprehensive support for demonstration experiments in Fukuoka City.

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Business Establishment Support Programs

Startups founded within the last five years that meet specific eligibility criteria may qualify for subsidies based on their number of employees and office size. For detailed conditions and eligibility requirements, please refer to our website.



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1 Eligibility	
Business Fields	Business Contents
Knowledge creation industry (Software and digital content development, etc.)	Software development related to ICT, automobiles and robotics, creation of digital content and design, nanotechnology-based R&D, semiconductor design such as system LSI design, machine design, etc.
Medicine, healthcare and welfare industry	R&D related to medical and welfare devices and pharmaceuticals, and health functional foods etc.
Environment and energy-related industry	Energy-related R&D in solar cells, hydrogen energy, etc., R&D related to technologies for recycling and purifying soil and water, biotechnology-based R&D
Foreign & foreign-affiliated companies	【First Expansion into Japan】The first business project conducted in Japan 【Second Expansion into Japan】R&D or services related other business fields and financial business ※ In both cases B2C businesses are excluded except financial business.

2 Main Requirements and Subsidy Details (Leased type)		Standard	Large
		Total floor area 60m² or over Regular employees 3 or more	Total floor area 200m² or over Regular employees 10 or more
Subsidy for Rent	Amount	1/4 of annual rent	1/4 of annual rent
	Number of payments	1 time	2 times
	Maximum amount	JPY 15 million (JPY 4,000/month per m ²)	JPY 50 million (JPY 8,000/month per m ²)
Subsidy for Employment	Amount (per person)	Fukuoka City residents	Permanent staff: (Standard) JPY 500,000 (Large) JPY 1 million Regular employees: JPY 150,000
		Non-Fukuoka City residents	JPY 100,000 JPY 50,000
	Eligible employees (1 time per person)	Employed when business starts (Within 5 years of starting business: Employed 3 years at most)	
	Maximum amount	(Standard) JPY 50 million (Large) JPY 100 million	
Subsidy for Incorporation expenses	Foreign or foreign-affiliated companies entering Japan		
	Amount	1/2 of eligible costs	
	Eligible costs	market research, interpretation, acquisition of all permits, necessary expenses for registration or hiring staff to setup a business base ※ Excluding taxes and public dues (If sister city agreements or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) have been signed with Fukuoka City, we will also cover the travel expenses for firms expanding operations into Fukuoka)	
Maximum amount	JPY 3 million		

Global Startup Partners

Fukuoka City has over 17 partners in 12 countries and regions to support the overseas expansion of startups in Fukuoka and the entry of overseas startups into Fukuoka.



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Startup Consortium



Fukuoka City's startup consortium consists not only of the startup community, but also universities, governmental agencies and the industrial sector that all support the city's startup ecosystem. By collaborating with the industrial sector, we aim to facilitate the creation of an open innovation environment for startups.

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Global Business Support

Contact



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