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Industrial Growth Platform, Inc. (IGPI)

Shoko Chukin Bank

Business Alliance between IGPI and the Shoko Chukin Bank  
to Help Client Firms Achieve Revitalization and Growth

Major points

- IGPI and the Shoko Chukin Bank will conclude an agreement for a business alliance.
- Through this business alliance, the parties will bring their experience and expertise to bear primarily on the revitalization and growth of the corporate clients of the Shoko Chukin Bank nationwide.

Summary

Today, on July 25, 2007, IGPI (representative director, Kazuhiko Toyama) and the Shoko Chukin Bank (president, Tadashi Ezaki) signed an agreement for a business alliance to provide joint support for the revitalization and growth of small and medium-sized businesses.

IGPI is a company that provides support for long-term, sustainable growth in corporate and business value through the provision of human resources. Staffed primarily by former employees of the Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan, IGPI was established and commenced operations in April 2007. With a wealth of experience in business growth and revitalization, and with thoroughly networked professional human resources, IGPI provides multifaceted support for growth in corporate and business value, regardless of industry.

The Shoko Chukin Bank was established in 1936, and has since provided support for the sustainable growth of small and medium-sized businesses. The bank is actively engaged in financing for business revitalization (debt-debt swaps, etc.) and the development of new financing methods (asset-based lending, etc.).

Through this business alliance, the parties will jointly engage in a number of activities in connection with various business endeavors, and will share knowledge and expertise through participation in each other's training programs. Through this mutual enhancement of specialized knowledge and abilities, IGPI and the Shoko Chukin Bank will endeavor to increase the business and corporate value of their client firms.

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