

- For the people of the future.

Non Profit Organization **KGC**

## About us

KGC (Knowledge Gathering and Connection) was founded in 2001 to support industry-academia collaboration in Japan. With the consultant agreement in Kyoto University, Kyushu University and Keihanna Plaza (incl. Doshisha University and Nara Institute of Science and Technology), We support research activities from concept making to project management.

## Mission

To produce the diversity of future society by incubating research projects that defy the common wisdom.

## Services



### Production of research projects

We support the company which need an innovative research project from concept-making to project management.



### Brainstorming

- With our wide network of universities and companies, we get researchers of different fields together.
- Using our original facilitation method based on "Synectics", we help researchers think innovative ideas.



### Project management

- Dispatch of advisor, grant application, patent negotiation, etc.



### Arrangement of Ba, a meeting opportunity

We present the opportunity where participants from various organization have an open and deep discussion.

- Arrange open and face-to-face discussion between researchers in industry and academia.
- Arrange group discussions among researcher and manager in a company and academic researchers in various fields.



### Researcher ZUKAN (video interview archive)

We promote collaboration between researchers that will lead new research project.

- We broadcast video interview of researchers of various fields everyday to the world.  
URL: <http://www.zukan.tv/>



## Team

### Executive head, Yuzo Shibata

Mr. Shibata received his degree in Graduate School of Informatics, Kyoto University. He also works as a industry-academia collaboration advisor in Kyoto University, Kyoshu University, Doshisha University and Keihanna Plaza.

**Founder, Ryo Kitada** (Department of Psychology, Queen's University)

**Advisor, Kazumi Matsushige** (Vice president of Kyoto University)

**Advisor, Eiichi Matsumoto** (Super advisor of International Innovation Organization, Kyoto University)

### Employees

5 members who worked as a resercher in Tokyo University, industry-academy collaboration coordinator and so on.

## Clients

### Industry:

Honda Motor Co., Ltd., Hitachi, Ltd., Sharp Corporation, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd., NTT Communications Corporation, Sanyo Electric Co.,Ltd., Kyocera Corporation, Nomura Research Institute, American Express, etc.

### University:

Kyoto University, Nara Institute of Science and Technology, Ritsumeikan University, Doshisha University, Keio University etc.

### Government and other public offices:

Kyoto Prefecture, Japan Atomic Energy Agency, Omichi-kai Medical Corporation, Japan Industrial Location Center, etc.

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