



## Remarks of Governor Koike at the "Startup Ecosystem Summit 2024"

### 【Press kit】



On Friday, November 29th, Governor Koike took the stage at the "Startup Ecosystem Summit 2024" to reflect on the first anniversary of the opening of the "Tokyo Innovation Base" (hereinafter referred to as "TiB") and to announce new information regarding "SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025" (hereinafter referred to as "STT2025"). The event included updates on the further evolution of TiB and the announcement of the first speakers for STT2025.

### Overview

- Date of Appearance: Friday, November 29, 2024
- Event Name: Startup Ecosystem Summit 2024  
(Hosted by: Tokyo Metropolitan Government, Startup Ecosystem Association)
- Venue: Tokyo Innovation Base (3-8-3 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo)
- Summary of Governor Koike's Remarks
  - (1) About Tokyo Innovation Base
    - ① Achievements of TiB
    - ② Further Evolution
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    - ① An Event Where Various Players Gather
    - ② The first announcement of Speakers



## (1) About Tokyo Innovation Base

There was an announcement regarding the achievements of TIB over the past year since its pre-opening, as well as plans for further functional enhancements.

### ① Achievements of TIB



- Tokyo Innovation Base (TIB) is a "NODE," a global hub. It serves as a place where diverse players gather and interact, creating various connections.
- To date, approximately 480 events have been held, and over 1,400 startups and supporters have participated in various support programs conducted at TIB.
- The number of registered members using TIB is about 23,000, and the number of visitors over the past year recently surpassed 100,000.

\*All figures are as of November 22nd.

- Through the various activities of ecosystem players, Japan and Tokyo's startup ecosystem is steadily gaining strength, and the number of Japanese startups active globally has increased over the past year.
- The support network for startups is expanding to large corporations and universities, and initiatives aimed at creating open innovation are also becoming more active.

## ② Further Evolution



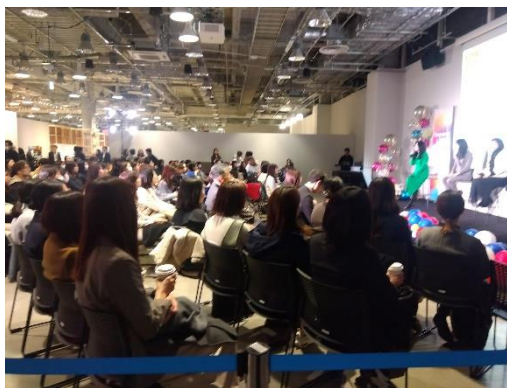
- To further accelerate the activation of this startup ecosystem, TIB will evolve.
- We will expand the functions of the first floor to create a space for activities and interactions for people challenging various fields.
- Today, as the first step, we held an event on the first floor to support diversity and inclusion.
- Tokyo will become a city that supports challengers in all fields. To realize this vision outlined in our startup strategy, TIB will grow into an even larger platform.

(Reference) About the Event Supporting Diversity and Inclusion

Startup × Tokyo Metropolitan Government Session - WomenChallengers Discussing Transformation

<https://www.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/tosei/hodohappyo/press/2024/11/22/20.html>

### ○ Event scenes



(Reference) Major Events Scheduled to be Held on the First Floor of TIB this year

- Ideation Event "LEAPUP NIGHT" by TIB's Student Community "TIB JAM"

<https://lu.ma/TIB-JAM?tag=leapup%20night>

- [Giving Month 2024 Symposium] Redefining the Nature of Donations: Leveraging Money to Solve Social Issues

<https://peatix.com/event/4205267>

- TOKYO FORWARD: Tokyo 2020 Legacy Exhibition

<https://www.sports-tokyo-info.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/miru/kokusai/tokyo2020archive.html>



## (2) About SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025

There was a new announcement regarding SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025, which is scheduled to be held from May 8th to 10th next year.

### ① An Event Where Various Players Gather



- Guided by the philosophy of realizing a sustainable city through high technology, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government is promoting its efforts to solve urban issues and the diverse appealing points of Tokyo both domestically and internationally through SusHi Tech Tokyo = Sustainable High City Tech Tokyo.
- In May of next year, SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025 will be held, bringing together a diverse range of players, including startups, investors, large companies, cities, and students from around the world. We are now looking for companies, cities, etc. that support the vision of SusHi Tech Tokyo and will work together with us to make event a success as partners.
- We will be accepting applications for corporate partners, city partners, and ambassadors until the end of the year.
- We look forward to the participation of everyone who can help us make our Asia's largest startup conference a success.
- Additionally, we will be developing special programs to attract venture capitalists from around the world, further expanding opportunities for business negotiations and investments.

For details on partner recruitment, please refer to this link.

<https://sushitech-startup.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/partners/>

### ② The first announcement of Speakers

The speakers for SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025 have been announced. In addition to representatives from leading Japanese companies, international speakers such as Audrey Tang, former Digital Minister of Taiwan, have also been confirmed. The details of the first round of speakers are as follows:



Audrey Tang  
Government of Taiwan  
Cyber Ambassador-at-large and  
1<sup>st</sup> Digital Minister (2016-2024)



Kathy Matsui  
MPower Partners Fund L.P.  
General Partner



Hironori Kamezawa  
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc.  
President & Group CEO



Serena Lim  
The Ascott Limited  
Chief Growth Officer



Teruo Fujii  
The University of Tokyo  
President



Toshiaki Higashihara  
Hitachi, Ltd.  
Executive Chairman,  
Representative Executive Officer and Director

- More session speakers are being confirmed.
- From Japan, we have the pleasure of welcoming Mr. Higashihara, Chairman of Hitachi, a global enterprise, and President Fujii of the University of Tokyo from academia.
- We will also have key figures from Asia, such as Audrey Tang from Taiwan, who recently visited TIB, sharing insights you can only hear in SusHi Tech Tokyo.
- We will continue to announce new speakers and session details, so stay tuned.
- Together with you, we have built TIB and SusHi Tech over the past year. We will continue to develop this and create unicorns together. We look forward to another great year with you.

## 【Overview of SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025】

Dates: May 8-9, 2025 (Thursday and Friday) for Business Days, and May 10, 2025 (Saturday) for Public Day.

Venue: Tokyo Big Sight (3-11-1 Ariake, Koto-ku, Tokyo) and other locations.

## 【Link】

- Tokyo Innovation Base Official Homepage <https://tib.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/>



- SusHi Tech Tokyo 2025 Official Homepage <https://sushitech-startup.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/>



- Press kit  
(SusHi Tech Tokyo) [https://sushitech-startup.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/presskit/pdf/presskit\\_e.pdf](https://sushitech-startup.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/presskit/pdf/presskit_e.pdf)



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