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# Press Release

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# Social Investment Partners Supports "Hattatsu Wanpakukai"

"Creating a society where developmental challenged children can live in the affluent life"

Social Investment Partners ("SIP") (CEO: Tomoya Shiraishi, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan) is pleased to announce a 30-million-yen financial commitment to Hattatsu-Wanpaku-kai Org. ("Hattatsu Wanpakukai"), a non-profit organization that supports developmental challenged children. The investment will be made over the course of 3 years through the Japan Venture Philanthropy Fund, a fund jointly managed by SIP and Nippon Foundation (Chairman: Yohei Sasagawa, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan). In addition to providing 30 million yen in the form of grants, SIP will provide managerial support to Hattstu Wanpakukai.

Hattatsu Wanpakukai is dedicated to enhancing the lives of developmentally-challenged pre-school-age children by focusing on communication skill development and the furthering of inherent talents and strengths, under the concept that such children should be supported by not only family but also regional community and the governmental welfare system.

In Japan, it is believed that over 300,000 pre-school-age children are developmentally challenged, however, many of them are not able to receive enough care at early stage due to lack of awareness, early detection and support facilities. Such lack of support for developmentally-challenged children can have serious societal implications as they grow up without learning how to interact with society, possibly leading directly or indirectly to mental disorders, depression and NEET.

Hattatsu Wanpakukai advises nurseries and kindergartens in conducting early detection of symptoms and providing appropriate care for children. The organization provides rehabilitation programs tailored to each child's interests and characteristics. Hattastu Wanpakukai's focus on early childhood (1-5 years of age), a critical period for human neural development, and its custom-made programs have seen proven results among all of its participants.

Taking advantage of its experience in care services, Hattatsu Wanpakukai also seeks to grow by offering consultation services to other organizations, assisting in the launch and/or business operations of similar organizations. It also aims to build a local network in which a child's education can be seamlessly and continuously carried on after graduating Hattatsu Wanpakukai's program and enrolling in grade school.

"It became apparent that JVPF was the best partner for us, with whom we could tackle social issues while also sustaining and growing the business operations, which led us into this partnership. We at Hattasu Wanpakukai remain committed to the creation of community where all developmentally-challenged children can live true to themselves, leading independent, free and fruitful lives" said Kazuhiro Oda, Representative Director of Hattatsu Wanpakukai.

"Hattatsu Wanpakukai has potential to solve a social problem which is lack of care made available for developmentally-challenged children, something that may be common issue for many regional communities across Japan. In addition, supporting Hattatsu Wanpakukai holds significance for JVPF, for which this is a new area. We will utilize our management resources to the fullest for Hattatsu Wanpakukai to attain social impact and growth as an

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organization," said Tomoya Shiraishi, CEO of SIP.

SIP selects its partner organizations based on size of social impact, sustainability, scalability, leadership of the management and mission and vision. Hattatsu Wanpakukai not only provides care for developmentally challenged children but also helps local communities create a richer society through its support for parents and regional government in the community. Over a 3-year span, SIP will provide 30-million-yen through JVPF, as well as collaborate with pro bono partners to support Hattatsu Wanpakukai in its expansion, bolstering of its organizational foundation and structure, and promotion of public awareness and understanding toward the organization.

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<About the organization receiving support>

About Hattatsu-Wanpaku-kai.Org.:

A non-profit organization that aims to create a friendly environment for developmental challenged children through its support for children, parents and regional government in the community

[Address] 1-4-16 Higashino, Urayasu, Chiba, 279-0042

[Representative] Kazuhiro Oda (Chief Director)

[Date of establishment] December 9th 2010

[Tel] 047-704-9411

[URL] http://www.wanpaku.org/

[Business contents] Supporting developmentally challenged pre-school age children and their parents by providing care services and advising other organizations

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#### About Social Investment Partners:

SIP was established in November 2012 to support and advise social purpose organizations (SPOs) in order to maximize their contribution to society and to maintain the sustainability of their business. It was founded in cooperation of professionals in business investment and social business support. SIP also collaborates with Pro-bono professional partners that agree with its purposes, and continuously provide professional managerial resources over a period of 3-5 years to the organization it supports.

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[Pro bono Partners]

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## About Japan Venture Philanthropy Fund ("JVFP"):

JVFP is the Japan's first full scale venture philanthropy (VP) fund, which was established in April 2013 with the aim to support the sustainable development of social purpose organizations. The fund is jointly managed by SIP and Nippon Foundation (Minato-ku, Tokyo / Chairman: Yohei Sasakawa).

[URL] <a href="http://www.jvpg.jp/">http://www.jvpg.jp/</a>

### **About Nippon Foundation:**

Nippon Foundation was established in 1962 to support charitable organizations in and outside of Japan, based on its revenue from boat racing. The fields of activities that it supports include social welfare, education and culture, maritime development, humanitarian support and human resources development in developing countries. Nippon Foundation also promotes the development of philanthropy, non-profit sector, and CSR activities of firms in Japan.

[URL] www.nippon-foundation.or.jp