

Think Big. Start in Aichi.

Global Startups × Aichi Prefecture Matching Program

Summer



A I C H I LANDING PAD

2026

A government-backed startup accelerator connecting global innovators with leading companies in Aichi and Japan.

WHY AICHI?

- Japan's #1 manufacturing region — home to Toyota and world-class SMEs
- Gateway to Japan's industrial giants with government-backed support
- Launch of Japan's largest startup hub – STATION Ai in October 2024

Program Benefits



Mentoring & Japan Market Readiness

Get expert guidance to refine your business model and go-to-market strategy, with tailored education sessions on entering and succeeding in Japan.



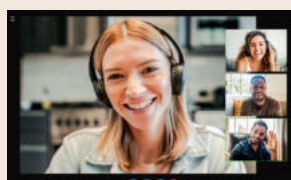
Pre-identified Real World Problems

Identify real-world challenges from participating Japanese companies and propose your solutions. Work together to co-create impactful outcomes and build proof of success in Japan.



Business Matching Support

Connect with leading Japanese manufacturers and partners, including tenants of STATION Ai through **curated sessions, pitch events, and networking.**



Post-Program Support

Receive **ongoing support after the program**, including introductions, resource referrals, **professional interpretation and business follow-up** for long-term success in Japan.



Direct Access to Leading Companies

Selected startups will receive access to STATION Ai's community platform, where you can **connect directly with counterparts from more than 400 leading companies and 600 fellow founders.**

Application Period

2026 April 27th ~ June 19th

Compulsory Stay Period in Aichi, Japan

2026 August 24th ~ August 28th

For More Info:



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2025 Cohort Achievements

Business Matchings

180



DEMO DAY

Pitch with confidence in English with a professional interpreter to 58 Japanese corporates, 13 founders, 9 ecosystem builders, 17 VCs & CVCs, and 9 government & municipal attendees!

Extended Discussions

44



VC / CVC DAY

Pitch to more than 10 local VCs/CVCs that are actively looking for their next big investment!

NDA/PoCs

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BUSINESS MATCHING

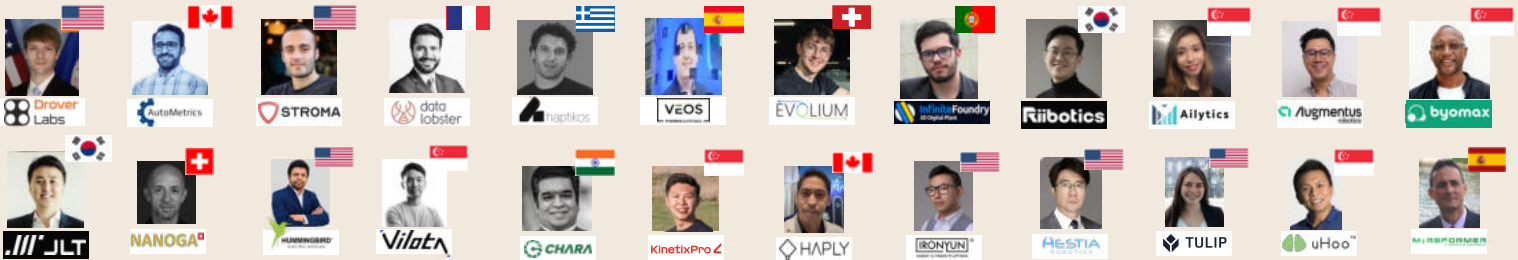
Curated business matching events with interpretation support by Aichi Landing Pad supporters who know your offering inside out!

2025 Participating Companies



and more...

Aichi Landing Pad Alumni



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“Through the program, Evolium signed three NDAs and continues active discussions to support its market entry into Japan. We strongly recommend the program to startups looking to develop in Japan.”

Alexandre Staub, CEO, Evolium Technologies

“What stood out most was the team behind the program (thoughtful, hands-on, and genuinely invested in our progress) which made a real difference.”

Anil Uzengi, Co-Founder & CEO, Stroma

“Aichi Landing Pad gave us not just market access, but the relationships and insight needed to navigate Japan with confidence.”

Dustin Jefferson S., Co-FOUNDER & CEO of uHoo

“The abundant of events hosted in this program has also exposed us to large Japanese manufacturing customers and strong networks in Japan”

Jeol Lee, CEO & Co-Founder of Kinetix Pro

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