

## **INCJ sells its shares in Nistica, Inc.**

**Tokyo, August 17, 2017** – Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (INCJ) announced today that it has sold all its shares in Nistica, Inc. (Nistica) to America Fujikura Ltd. (America Fujikura).

Nistica was established in 2005 to develop and market Wavelength Selective Switching (WSS), a key component in ROADM<sup>1</sup>. This device is essential for the establishment of a next-generation network for communications carriers. Nistica's products are superior to existing WSS platforms in both performance and cost. INCJ announced its decision to invest in Nistica in July 2012, provided management support including through the dispatch of external directors.

INCJ determined that selling all its shares in Nistica to America Fujikura would facilitate Nistica's business development under America Fujikura's management.

<sup>1</sup> ROADM, Reconfigurable Optical Add-Drop Multiplexer, is an optical component that can be installed in an optical communications network node where it can add, block, pass or redirect optical signals. This technology is highly efficient and is able to operate high capacity optical networks at a low cost.

### **Reference**

INCJ issued the following news release:

*"INCJ to invest in Nistica, Inc."* July 6, 2012 (Japanese only)

URL: [http://www.incj.co.jp/investment/deal\\_031.html](http://www.incj.co.jp/investment/deal_031.html)

### **About Nistica, Inc.**

Established	2005
Business Outline	Production and sales of optimal networking components
Headquarters	New Jersey, United States
CEO	Ashish Vengsarkar
URL	<a href="http://www.nistica.com">http://www.nistica.com</a>

### **About America Fujikura Ltd.**

Established	1984
Business Outline	Production and sales of fiber optic products and associated equipment
Headquarters	South Carolina, United States
CEO	Jody E. Gallagher
URL	<a href="https://www.aflglobal.com/">https://www.aflglobal.com/</a>

### **About Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (INCJ)**

INCJ was established in July 2009 as a public-private investment company that provides financial, technological and management support for next-generation businesses. INCJ specifically supports those projects that combine technologies and varied expertise across industries and materialize open innovation. INCJ has the capacity to invest up to JPY2 trillion (approx. US\$20 billion).

INCJ's management team is drawn from the private sector with diverse experience in investment, technologies and management. Through its Innovation Network Committee, INCJ assesses investment opportunities that contribute to industrial innovation in Japan in line with criteria set by the government.

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