

# Intellectual Property Strategy

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## CIPO office leads to

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Accelerate advancement in globalizing Hitachi's innovation leadership through a strong, world-class Global IP Function

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Strengthen forward looking IP activities that contribute to digital service business (Lumada) growth and the creation, protection and advancement of innovation

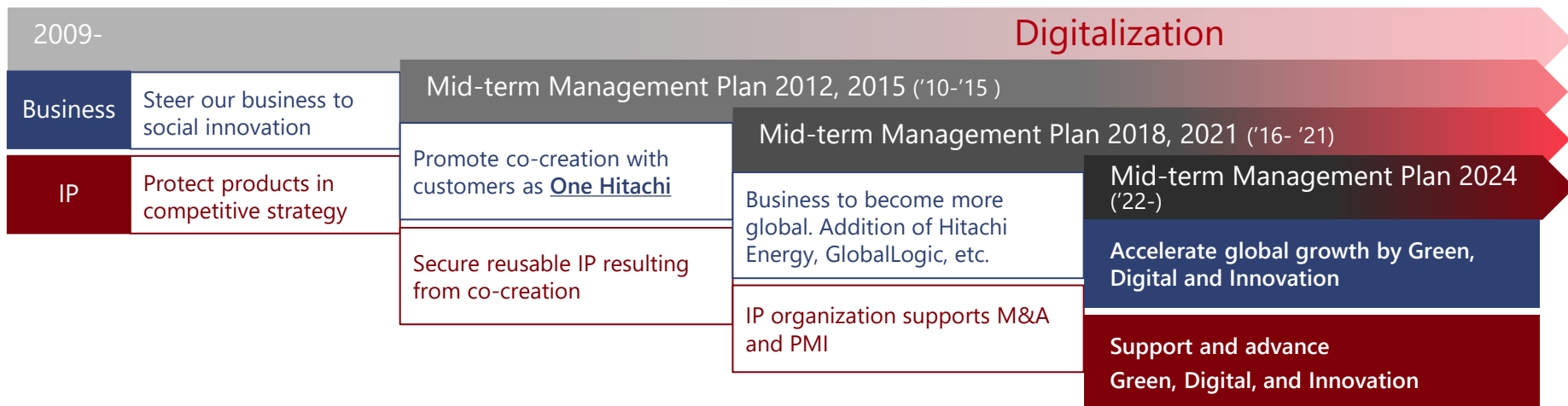
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Harmonize and drive the Global IP Function across the Hitachi Group as a trusted partner to the Group businesses in support and advancement of business objectives

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## Accelerate innovation and support growth through IP



Accelerate innovation (value creation) and risk mitigation through IP strategy



▲ CIPO Office to Lead Group IP Function



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## 2. Recent Activities and Achievements

### National Commendation for Invention

2022 National Commendation for Invention "Prime Minister's Award"\*1

Insulation resin structure for 800V in-vehicle inverter that enables quick charging



Example: 800V inverter power module for EV

### Top 100 Global Innovator Awarded for 11 consecutive years

Evaluated by Clarivate based on patent data  
Presented to the world's most innovative companies and institutions

Evaluation  
item:

Number

Global

Impact

### IAM\*2: Selected as the Asia IP Elite for 2022

Subsequent to election of IAM Strategy 300, we selected as the Asia IP Elite for 2022 by IAM.



### WIPO GREEN\*3: Collaboration movie

As a partner of WIPO Green, produced the collaboration movie introducing IP activities in the environmental field with WIPO\*4



\*1 JP Patent 6200871 \*2 Intellectual Asset Management \*3 WIPO: World Intellectual Property Organization, WIPO GREEN: Environmental Technology Transfer Platform  
\*4 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sk18jbfqqSk>

### 3. The IP Function- Balance of Interests



#### Business Interests:

- Digitization driven activities
- Create value through creating customer benefit
- Return on R&D Investment/revenue generation (e.g., commercialization)
- Develop and protect Competitive Advantage
- Risk Mitigation/avoidance → certainty
- Market development and protection through
  - Complying with/Influencing Government Policy
  - Beneficial Standardization participation and efforts



Global IP Function to work in partnership with the Group Businesses to "close the gap"

#### Traditional Perception of IP Function:

- Patent and Technology focused
- Invention driven
- Asset procurement (Patents, Trademarks)
- Legal and Technical Issues

## 4. Closing the IP Gap

Drive transformation of the IP Function  
- global, proactive, comprehensive, harmonized, consistent -

Hitachi  
Global IP  
Function  
Mission



Change mindset-  
digitization

Protect

Leverage **the Next**

Power

Value driven IP Strategy

Customer Benefit

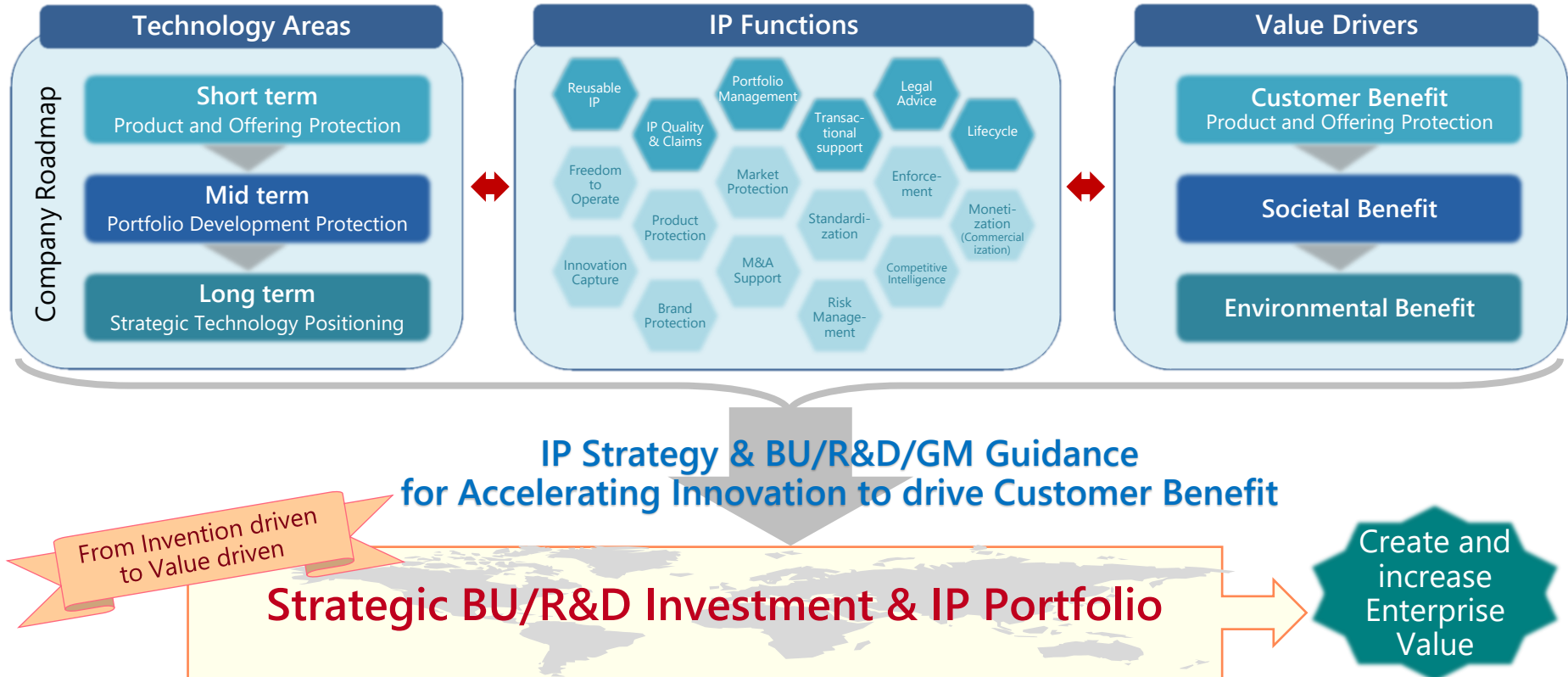
Innovation

Solution

Offering

# 5. Integrated IP Strategy for Innovation

## Integrate Value Drivers, Technology and IP Function to build Strategic IP Portfolio



## Contribute to innovation by analyzing IP information

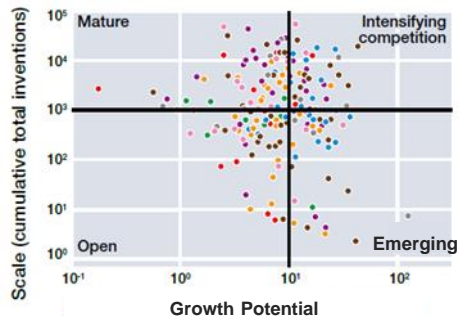
Example in the environmental field : Growth potential analysis, Technology positioning and Strategy matrix

### Growth potential analysis

Horizontal: Growth potential estimated from the increasing rate of inventions in last few years

Vertical: Scale estimated from the cumulative number of inventions

Based on the number of inventions of all applicants, plotted by theme to analyze maturity

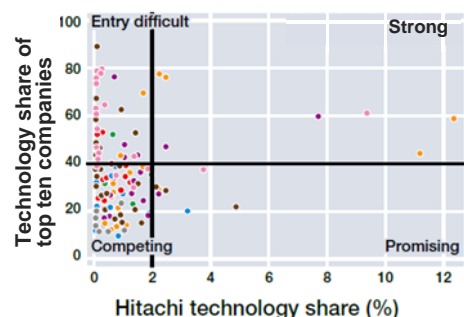


### Technology positioning

Horizontal: Hitachi's technology share estimated from the ratio of Hitachi inventions among total inventions

Vertical: Technology share of top ten companies estimated from the ratio of their inventions among total inventions

Analyze Hitachi's positioning from these



### Strategy matrix

- ✓ Identify themes in areas of high growth potential and where Hitachi has a high technology share (area highlighted in red)
  - ✓ Identify growth areas where we can utilize Hitachi's powerful existing technologies
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- ✓ Propose to business divisions and contribute to innovation activities

		Growth Potential			
		Intensifying competition	Emerging	Open	Mature
Hitachi Positioning	Strong	Theme A (e.g., smart grids)	Theme B (e.g., railway power regeneration)	...	...
	Promising	Theme C (e.g., combined renewable energy and storage)	Theme D (e.g., IT infrastructure resilience)	...	...
	Competing	...	...	...	...
	Entry difficult	...	...	...	...

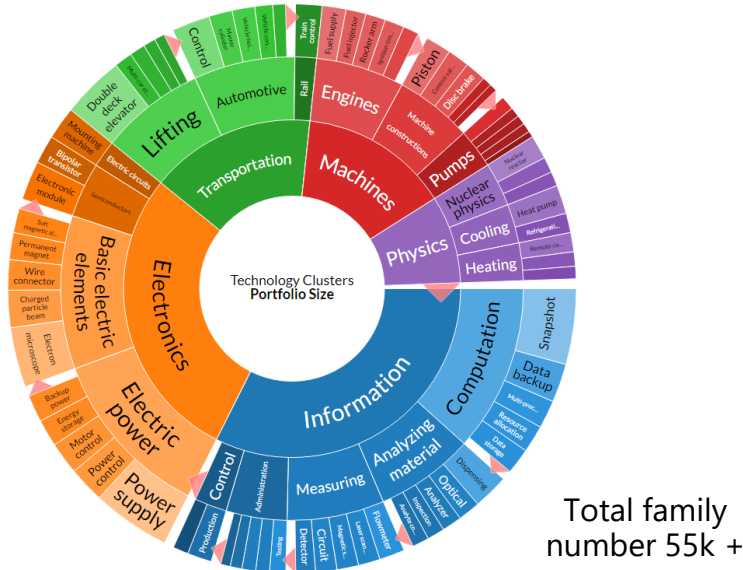


# 7. Snapshot of Hitachi Gr. IP Portfolio

## Strengthen IP Portfolio to increase enterprise value

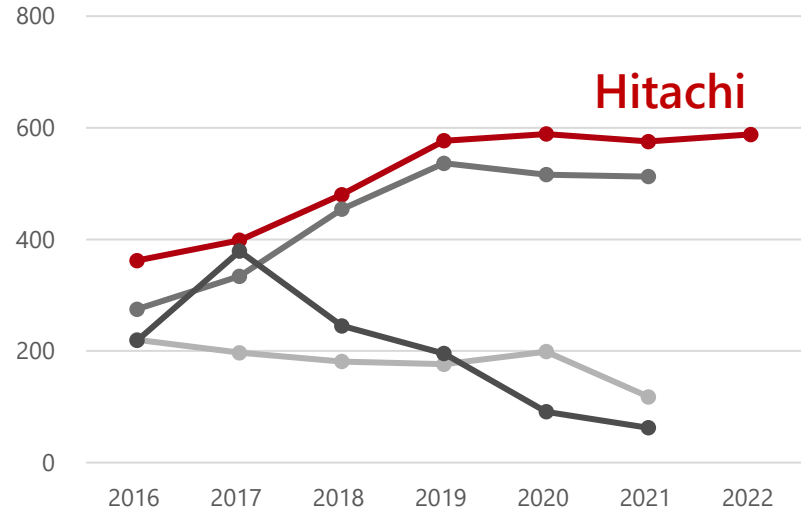
### Hitachi Group Portfolio Size\*1

Proportion by technology field  
(Information, Electronics, Transportation, etc.)



### Solution Inventions\*2

Benchmarking among competitors  
in the Social Innovation Business



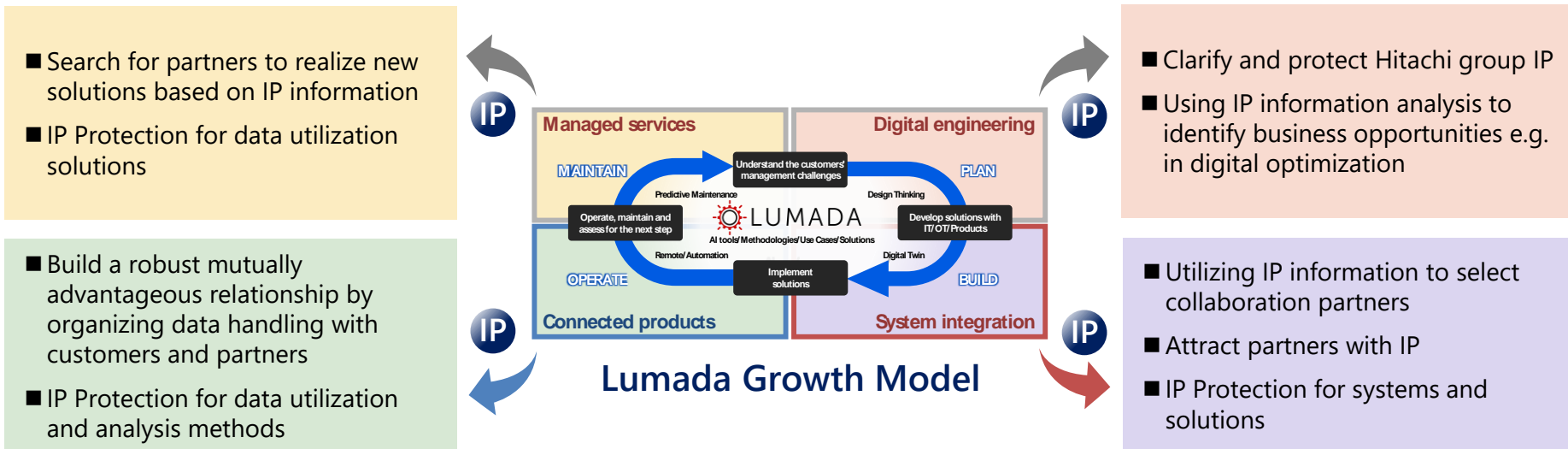
\*1 data extracted from Lexis/Nexis PatentSight® Business Intelligence Analytics Platform

\*2 Internal investigation. Number of patent publications in Japan, US & Europe with IPC: G06Q, G06F17 & G06N etc.

# 8. Digital – Lumada Growth Model

Contribute to the Lumada growth model by defining relevant IP strategy to promote growth opportunities through facilitated leveraging of Group Technology

- ◆ Protect reusable technology and solution IP
- ◆ Facilitate and accelerate 3rd party collaboration
- ◆ Facilitate use of Group IP for Lumada offerings



## The data driven cycle of value co-creation with customers by combining world-class IT and OT expertise from Hitachi, Hitachi Energy and Hitachi Vantara

What

- Supporting equipment inspection, monitoring, and optimization of critical assets

To

- Electric power companies and others

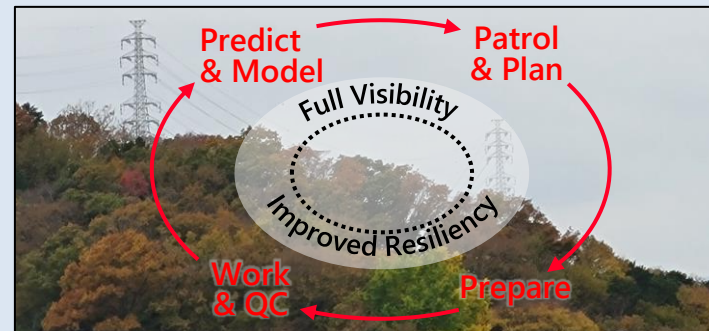
How

- Using powerful artificial intelligence (AI) to analyze photographs and video, including LiDAR, thermal and satellite imagery to provide operational intelligence

Four core applications

- Hitachi Image Based Inspections
- Hitachi Intelligent Infrastructure Monitoring
- Hitachi Vegetation Manager
- Hitachi Map

### Hitachi Vegetation Manager

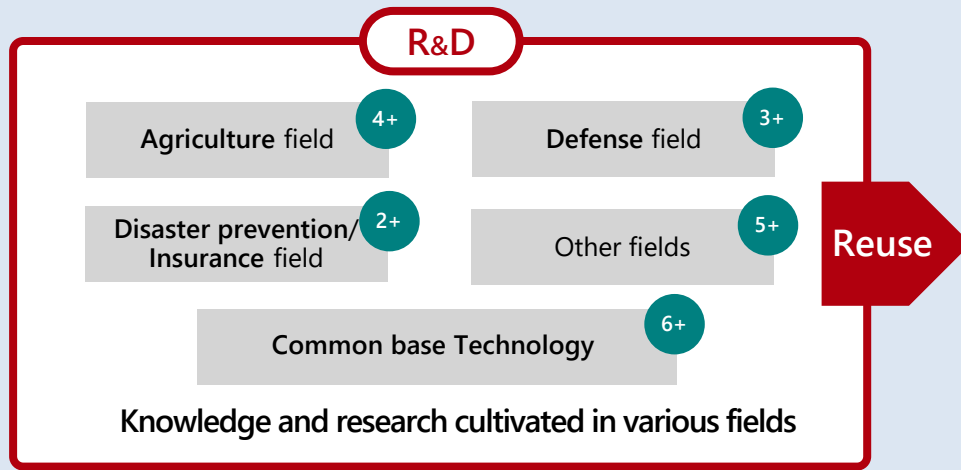


- ◆ The first of its kind, closed-loop vegetation resource planning solution that leverages AI and advanced analytics to improve the accuracy and effectiveness of an organization's vegetation job activities and planning efforts
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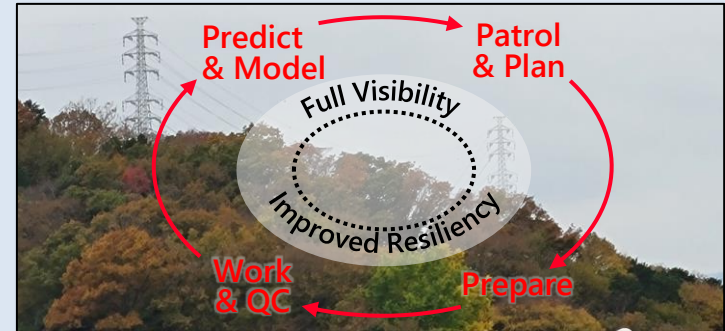
How Developed

■ Reusing Hitachi R&D's knowledge and research in the different fields on satellite image analysis



x Number of Patents or Patent applications

### Hitachi Vegetation Manager



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\* Japanese patent application: JP2022-122026

# 10. Global IP Functional Organization

## CIPO Office to Lead Global Intellectual Property Function across Hitachi

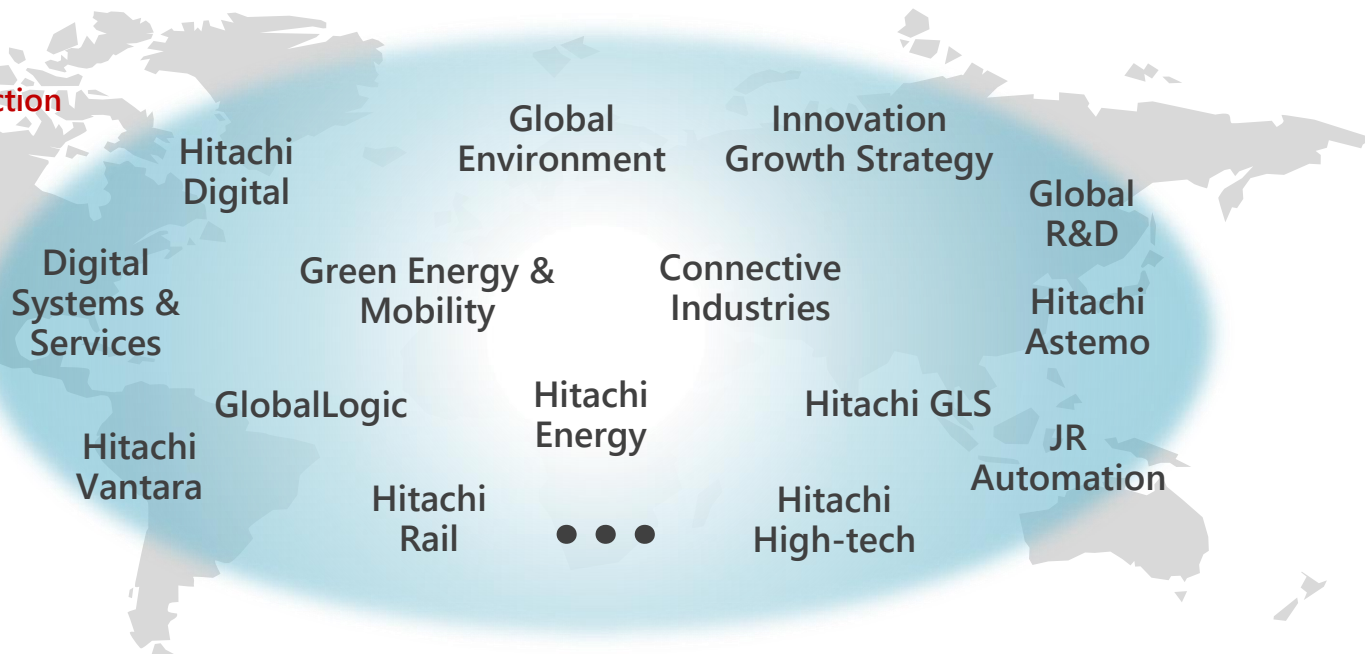
Evolution and harmonization of the IP function to be a strategic global business partner



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Global IP Function  
Leadership



## IP Impact

Create, preserve and grow value through IP from Hitachi innovations, solutions and offerings

### Evolution of Group IP Strategy

- Enables company driven investments in consideration of value
  - Creation of reusable IP (e.g., from internal development and/or external collaboration)
  - **Strategy, product portfolio, and purpose** driven IP protection
  - Ensuring current and future **Freedom To Operate** in the Company's Key Strategic Areas
  - **Enforceable and defendable** Technology Preservation
  - **Intelligent Portfolio Management** enabling highly dynamic analyses for company-based status & gap evaluations
- From Traditional Perception to Business Asset:
  - Comprehensive **visibility and usability** of IP portfolio within the Hitachi Group
  - Roadmap focused IP development as **business enablers**
  - Full transparency and **multidimensional linkage** among and between BUs, R&D, and other functions
  - **Portfolio development with eye towards Strategic Leveraging Opportunities and Potential Return on Investment** through facilitated commercialization of innovation
  - **Proactive Risk Management and Mitigation**



# Contribute to business growth and society through transformed global IP function

## Planetary Boundaries



## Wellbeing



Support people's quality of life with data and technology  
that fosters a sustainable society



Hitachi Social Innovation is  
**POWERING GOOD**



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Appointed in May 2022, Mr. Manetta is the Chief Intellectual Property Officer for Hitachi, Ltd. where he is responsible for all intellectual property matters group wide. Prior to joining Hitachi, Mr. Manetta was Vice President- Global Director of Intellectual Property & Chief IP Counsel for Schneider Electric from 2011-2022. Stephen was Senior IP counsel leading the IP Department for General Electric's Oil & Gas Business from 2006-2010. From 1994-2006, Stephen was partner at the New York based Intellectual Property law firm Morgan & Finnegan.



Before entering the field of Intellectual Property, Stephen was a Senior Systems and Software Engineer with Sikorsky Aircraft (then part of United Technologies) responsible for advance digital flight control systems design and development.

Stephen has experience in all aspects of IP, including defining IP strategy, portfolio development, licensing and enforcement of all patents, trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights as well as all legal components of the business and academic relationships and has led IP teams in countries throughout the world in protecting a wide range of products and services in a variety of technology fields. Stephen was lead IP counsel on many acquisitions as well as lead internal IP counsel for IP disputes including litigation, interference, opposition, arbitration and mediation.

Admitted to practice law in New York and a registered U.S. Patent Attorney, Stephen was conferred a degree in Electrical Engineering cum laude from Manhattan College in New York and his Juris Doctor from Villanova University School of Law in Philadelphia, P.A.

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- uncertainty as to Hitachi’s ability to attract and retain skilled personnel;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi’s ability to continue to develop and market products that incorporate new technologies on a timely and cost-effective basis and to achieve market acceptance for such products;
- exacerbation of social and economic impacts of the spread of COVID-19;
- the possibility of disruption of Hitachi’s operations by natural disasters such as earthquakes and tsunamis, the spread of infectious diseases, and geopolitical and social instability such as terrorism and conflict;
- estimates, fluctuations in cost and cancellation of long-term projects for which Hitachi uses the percentage-of-completion method to recognize revenue from sales;
- increased commoditization of and intensifying price competition for products;
- fluctuations in demand of products, etc. and industry capacity;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi’s ability to implement measures to reduce the potential negative impact of fluctuations in demand of products, etc., exchange rates and/or price of raw materials or shortages of materials, parts and components;
- uncertainty as to the success of cost structure overhaul;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi’s ability to achieve the anticipated benefits of its strategy to strengthen its Social Innovation Business;
- uncertainty as to the success of acquisitions of other companies, joint ventures and strategic alliances and the possibility of incurring related expenses;
- uncertainty as to the success of restructuring efforts to improve management efficiency by divesting or otherwise exiting underperforming businesses and to strengthen competitiveness;
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