

# Outline of Consolidated Financial Results for Fiscal 2016

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### 1. Outline of Consolidated Financial Results for Fiscal 2016

### 1-1. Highlights of FY2016 Financial Results

Revenues	9,162.2 billion yen	<ul> <li>down 9% / 872.0 billion yen YoY</li> <li>up 2% compared to previous forecast<sup>*4</sup></li> <li>up 3% YoY, when the impacts of business reorganization<sup>*5</sup> and foreign exchange are excluded</li> </ul>
Adjusted operating income <sup>*1</sup>	587.3 billion yen	<ul> <li>down 7% /47.5 billion yen YoY</li> <li>up 27.3 billion yen compared to previous forecast<sup>*4</sup></li> <li>up 13% YoY, when the impacts of business reorganization<sup>*5</sup> and foreign exchange are excluded</li> </ul>
EBIT (Earnings before interest and taxes) <sup>*2</sup>	475.1 billion yen	down 11% / 55.8 billion yen YoY up 25.1 billion yen compared to previous forecast*4
Net income attributable to Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders	231.2 billion yen	up 34% / 59.1 billion yen YoY up 31.2 billion yen compared to previous forecast <sup>*4</sup>
Total Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders' equity ratio (Manufacturing, Services and Others)	30.7 %	up 5.1 points from March 31, 2016
ROA <sup>-3</sup> (Manufacturing, Services and Others)	3.3 %	up 0.7 points from March 31, 2016
Free cash flows (Manufacturing, Services and Others)	485.5 billion yen	up 161.1 billion yen YoY
Operating cash flow margin (Manufacturing, Services and Others)	7.1 %	down 1.5 points from March 31, 2016
The year-end dividend for FY2016	7 yen per sha	are

\*1 "Adjusted Operating Income" is presented as revenues less cost of sales as well as selling, general and administrative expenses.

\*2 "EBIT" is presented as income from continuing operations, before income taxes less interest income plus interest charges.

\*3 ROA(Return on Asset) = [Net income] / [Total Asset (Average between the end of current fiscal year and the end of previous fiscal year)] x 100

\*4 Announced on February 1, 2017

\*5 Impacts from conversion of Hitachi Transport System, Ltd. and Hitachi Capital Corporation into equity-method associates, and reorganization of air-conditioning business

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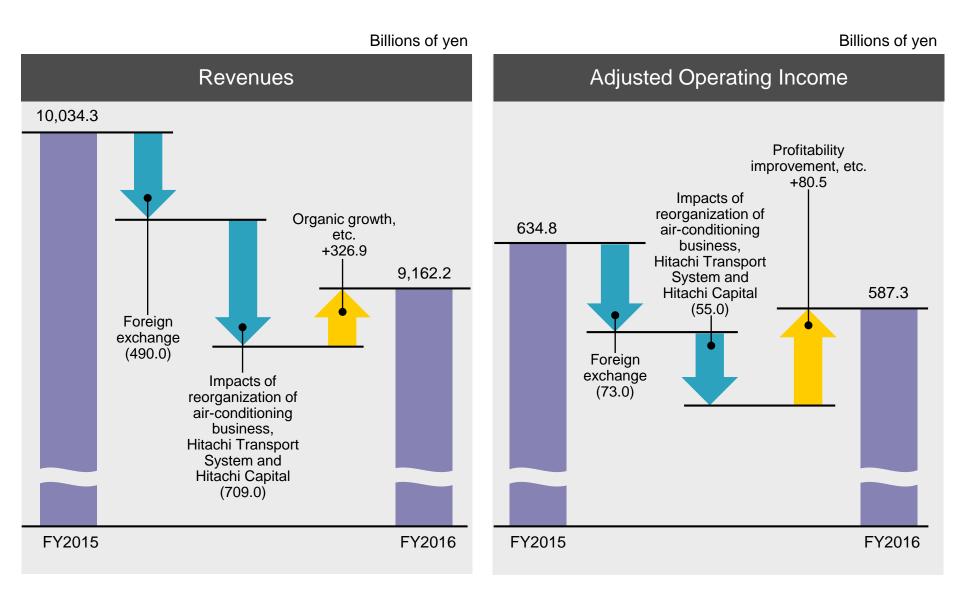
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	FY2015	FY2016	Year over year	Previous forecast*2 comparison
Revenues	10,034.3	9,162.2	(872.0) [91%]	+162.2 [102%]
Adjusted operating income ratio Adjusted operating income	6.3% 634.8	6.4% 587.3	+0.1% (47.5)	+0.2% +27.3
<i>EBIT ratio</i> EBIT	5.3% 531.0	5.2% 475.1	(0.1%) (55.8)	+ <i>0.2%</i> +25.1
Income from continuing operations, before income taxes	517.0	469.0	(47.9)	+39.0
Income taxes	(165.2)	(125.1)	+40.0	+4.8
Income from continuing operations	351.8	343.9	(7.8)	+43.9
Loss from discontinued operations*1	(57.0)	(5.9)	+51.1	(0.9)
Net income	294.7	338.0	+43.2	+43.0
Net income attributable to Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders	172.1	231.2	+59.1	+31.2
Earnings per share	35.65 yen	47.90 yen	+12.25 yen	-

\*1 A part of the thermal power generation systems business is classified as discontinued operations in accordance with the provision of IFRS 5, "Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations," which was not transferred to Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems, Ltd. as part of the business integration in the thermal power generation systems with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. The results of the discontinued operations are reported separately from continuing operations.

\*2 Announced on February 1, 2017

### 1-3. FY2016: Factors Affecting Changes in Revenues and Adjusted Operating Income (year over year)





	Billions of yen										
			FY20	15	FY20	16	Veereverveer				
				Ratio		Ratio	Year over year				
Jap	an		5,231.5	52%	4,757.6	52%	91%				
Out	side 、	Japan	4,802.7	48%	4,404.5	48%	92%				
	Asia	a	2,112.3	21%	1,860.7	20%	88%				
		China	1,055.5	10%	928.9	10%	88%				
		ASEAN, India, other areas	1,056.7	11%	931.7	10%	88%				
	Nor	th America	1,280.3	13%	1,144.0	12%	89%				
	Eur	ope	951.1	9%	972.6	11%	102%				
	Oth	er Areas	459.0	5%	427.1	5%	93%				
Tota	al		10,034.3	100%	9,162.2	100%	91%				

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### 1-5. Summary of Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss and Summary of Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows



Summary of Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss									
	Manufact	uring, Services ar	nd Others*	Total					
	FY2015 FY2016 Year over year		Year over year	FY2015	FY2016	Year over year			
Revenues	9,833.9	9,053.3	(780.5) [92%]	10,034.3	9,162.2	(872.0) [91%]			
Adjusted operating income	586.8	566.8	(20.0)	634.8	587.3	(47.5)			
EBIT	490.2	458.1	(32.1)	531.0	475.1	(55.8)			

#### Summary of Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

#### Billions of yen

	Manufact	uring, Services ar	nd Others*	Total			
	FY2015	FY2016	Year over year	FY2015	FY2016	Year over year	
Cash flows from operating activities	843.1	638.7	(204.4)	812.2	629.5	(182.6)	
Cash flows from investing activities	(518.7)	(153.2)	+365.5	(730.7)	(337.9)	+392.8	
Free cash flows	324.4	485.5	+161.1	81.4	291.6	+210.2	

\* Figures here represent information voluntarily prepared by the company.

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	Manufact	uring, Services ar	d Others*		Total	_
	As of March 31, 2016	As of March 31, 2017	Change from March 31, 2016	As of March 31, 2016	As of March 31, 2017	Change from March 31, 2016
Total assets	9,917.9	9,663.9	(254.0)	12,551.0	9,663.9	(2,887.0)
Trade receivables and Inventories	3,763.6	3,659.0	(104.5)	4,292.6	3,659.0	(633.5)
Total liabilities	6,133.5	5,566.9	(566.6)	8,425.4	5,566.9	(2,858.5)
Interest-bearing debt	1,515.0	1,176.6	(338.4)	3,604.4	1,176.6	(2,427.8)
Total Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders' equity	2,540.8	2,967.0	+426.2	2,735.0	2,967.0	+232.0
Non-controlling interests	1,243.5	1,129.9	(113.5)	1,390.4	1,129.9	(260.5)
Cash Conversion Cycle	71.6 days	72.2 days	0.6 days increase	_	-	-
Total Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders' equity ratio	25.6%	30.7%	5.1 points increase	21.8%	30.7%	8.9 points increase
D/E ratio (Including non-controlling interests)	0.40 times	0.29 times	0.11 points decrease	0.87 times	0.29 times	0.58 points decrease

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		FY	2015 <sup>*1</sup>	FY2	2016 <sup>*1</sup>	Year o	ver year		forecast* <sup>2</sup> parison
Information &	Revenues		2,109.3		1,982.8		94%		97%
Telecommunication	Adjusted operating income	6.7%	141.3	7.7%	152.9	+1.0%	+11.6	+0.7%	+9.9
Systems	EBIT	5.2%	109.1	3.9%	76.4	(1.3%)	(32.6)	+0.2%	+1.4
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	Revenues		2,333.1		2,331.9		100%		100%
	Adjusted operating income	3.5%	81.3	3.3%	77.0	(0.2%)	(4.3)	(0.3%)	(7.9)
	EBIT	1.2%	29.1	(0.9%)	(19.9)	(2.1%)	(49.1)	(2.2%)	(49.9)
	Revenues		1,127.6		1,170.3		104%		102%
Electronic Systems & Equipment	Adjusted operating income	5.9%	67.0	7.0%	81.5	+1.1%	+14.5	+0.3%	+4.5
- 4	EBIT	5.7%	64.3	5.7%	66.7	0.0%	+2.4	0.0%	+1.7
	Revenues		758.3		753.9		99%		108%
Construction Machinery	Adjusted operating income	3.0%	22.6	3.5%	26.3	+0.5%	+3.6	(0.2%)	+0.3
	EBIT	3.4%	25.8	3.0%	22.7	(0.4%)	(3.1)	+0.7%	+6.7
	Revenues		1,564.0		1,464.6		94%		101%
High Functional Materials & Components	Adjusted operating income	8.1%	125.9	8.2%	119.9	+0.1%	(5.9)	(0.1%)	(1.0)
	EBIT	9.8%	153.5	8.4%	123.3	(1.4%)	(30.2)	+0.1%	+3.3

\*1 Italic figures indicate adjusted operating income ratio or EBIT ratio.
\*2 Announced on February 1, 2017

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		FY	2015 <sup>*1</sup>	FY2	2016*1	Year ov	ver year		forecast <sup>*2</sup> arison
	Revenues		1,001.1		992.2		99%		102%
Automotive Systems	Adjusted operating income	6.2%	61.9	5.7%	56.3	(0.5%)	(5.5)	0.0%	+1.3
	EBIT	5.4%	53.9	6.6%	65.8	+1.2%	+11.8	+0.4%	+5.8
	Revenues		681.0		557.3		82%		101%
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	Adjusted operating income	3.5%	23.8	4.0%	22.4	+0.5%	(1.3)	+1.1%	+6.4
	EBIT	6.2%	41.9	5.7%	31.8	(0.5%)	(10.1)	+0.8%	+4.8
	Revenues		1,252.7		653.7		52%		101%
Others*3	Adjusted operating income	4.2%	52.5	3.4%	22.4	(0.8%)	(30.0)	+0.9%	+6.4
	EBIT	3.2%	40.6	3.2%	20.6	0.0%	(19.9)	+1.0%	+6.6
	Revenues		365.3		179.2		49%		100%
Financial Services <sup>*4</sup>	Adjusted operating income	12.4%	45.2	11.9%	21.3	(0.5%)	(23.8)		±0.0
	EBIT	12.8%	46.6	12.7%	22.8	(0.1%)	(23.8)		±0.0
	Revenues		(1,158.4)		(924.1)		-		-
Corporate items & Eliminations	Adjusted operating income		13.0		6.8		(6.1)		+7.2
	EBIT		(34.2)		64.7		+98.9		+44.5
	Revenues		10,034.3		9,162.2		91%		102%
Total	Adjusted operating income	6.3%	634.8	6.4%	587.3	+0.1%	(47.5)	+0.2%	+27.3
	EBIT	5.3%	531.0	5.2%	475.1	(0.1%)	(55.8)	+0.2%	+25.1

\*1 Italic figures indicate adjusted operating income ratio or EBIT ratio. \*2 Announced on February 1, 2017

\*3 From FY2016, the "Others (Logistics and Other Services)" has been renamed to the "Others" due to conversion of Hitachi Transport System, Ltd. into an equity-method associate on May 19, 2016.

\*4 As Hitachi Capital Corporation was converted into an equity-method associate as of October 3, 2016, there is no company which belongs to the Financial Services Segment. Accordingly, only the result for the first half of fiscal 2016 was recorded in this segment for FY2016.

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### 2. Outlook for Fiscal 2017

### 2-1. Outlook for FY2017

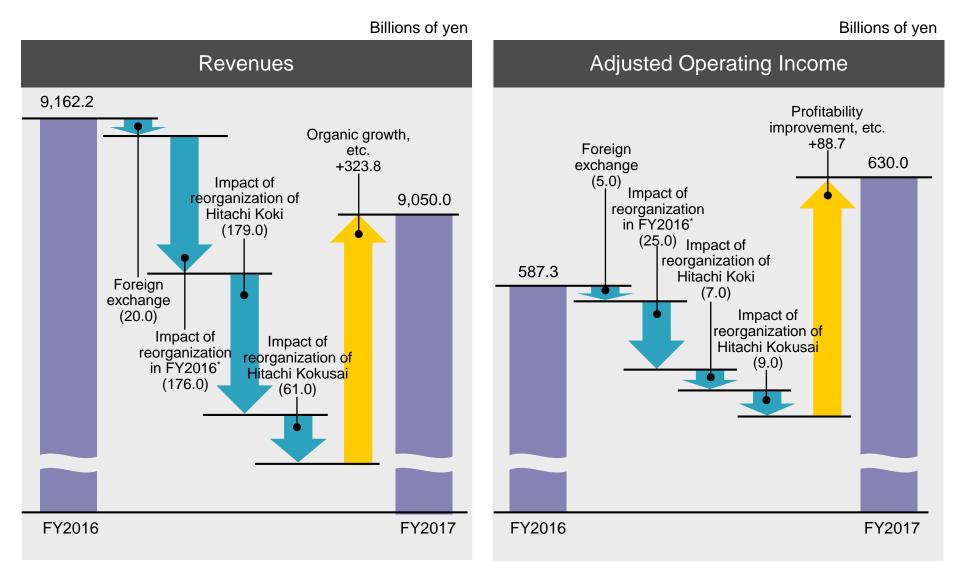
- Projections for the FY2017 assume an exchange rate of 110 yen to the U.S. dollar and 115 yen to the euro.
- Reflecting the conversion of Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc. into an equity-method affiliate

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	FY2016	FY2	017
	F12010	Forecast	Year over year
Revenues	9,162.2	9,050.0	(112.2) [99%]
Adjusted operating income ratio Adjusted operating income	6.4% 587.3	7.0% 630.0	+0.6% +42.6
<i>EBIT ratio</i> EBIT	5.2% 475.1	6.4% 580.0	+1.2% +104.8
Income from continuing operations, before income taxes	469.0	570.0	+100.9
Income taxes	(125.1)	(160.0)	(34.8)
Income from continuing operations	343.9	410.0	+66.0
Loss from discontinued operations	(5.9)	(5.0)	+0.9
Net income	338.0	405.0	+66.9
Net income attributable to Hitachi, Ltd. stockholders	231.2	300.0	+68.7
Earnings per share	47.90 yen	62.14 yen	+14.24 yen

### 2-2. FY2017: Factors Affecting Changes in Revenues and Adjusted Operating Income (year over year)





\* Reorganization in FY2016: Impacts from conversion of Hitachi Transport System, Ltd. and Hitachi Capital Corporation into equity-method associates.

## 2-3. Outlook for FY2017: Revenues, Adjusted Operating Income and EBIT by Business Segment (1)

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			0040*1		FY2017				
		FY2016 <sup>*1</sup>		F	orecast <sup>*1</sup>	Year over year			
Information &	Revenues		1,982.8		2,040.0		103%		
Telecommunication	Adjusted operating income	7.7%	152.9	8.3%	169.0	+0.6%	+16.0		
Systems	EBIT	3.9%	76.4	6.9%	141.0	+3.0%	+64.5		
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	Revenues		2,331.9		2,320.0		99%		
	Adjusted operating income	3.3%	77.0	5.6%	130.0	+2.3%	+52.9		
	EBIT	(0.9%)	(19.9)	5.1%	119.0	+6.0%	+138.9		
	Revenues		1,170.3		980.0		84%		
Electronic Systems & Equipment <sup>*2</sup>	Adjusted operating income	7.0%	81.5	6.3%	62.0	(0.7%)	(19.5)		
	EBIT	5.7%	66.7	5.9%	58.0	+0.2%	(8.7)		
	Revenues		753.9		810.0		107%		
Construction Machinery	Adjusted operating income	3.5%	26.3	5.4%	44.0	+1.9%	+17.6		
	EBIT	3.0%	22.7	4.8%	39.0	+1.8%	+16.2		
	Revenues		1,464.6		1,560.0		107%		
High Functional Materials & Components	Adjusted operating income	8.2%	119.9	9.0%	141.0	+0.8%	+21.0		
	EBIT	8.4%	123.3	8.1%	126.0	(0.3%)	+2.6		

\*1 Italic figures indicate adjusted operating income ratio or EBIT ratio.
\*2 Reflecting the conversion of Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc. into an equity-method affiliate

#### Outlook for FY2017:

### 2-4. Revenues, Adjusted Operating Income and EBIT by Business Segment (2)

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			* 1		FY2017				
		FY2016 <sup>*1</sup>		Forecast <sup>*1</sup>		Year over year			
	Revenues		992.2		1,000.0		101%		
Automotive Systems	Adjusted operating income	5.7%	56.3	6.2%	62.0	+0.5%	+5.6		
	EBIT	6.6%	65.8	6.1%	61.0	(0.5%)	(4.8)		
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	Revenues		557.3		550.0		99%		
	Adjusted operating income	4.0%	22.4	4.2%	23.0	+0.2%	+0.5		
Ecomencity Oystems	EBIT	5.7%	31.8	5.3%	29.0	(0.4%)	(2.8)		
Others	Revenues		653.7		560.0		86%		
	Adjusted operating income	3.4%	22.4	3.0%	17.0	(0.4%)	(5.4)		
	EBIT	3.2%	20.6	2.5%	14.0	(0.7%)	(6.6)		
	Revenues		179.2		-		-		
Financial Services <sup>*2</sup>	Adjusted operating income	11.9%	21.3		-		(21.3)		
	EBIT	12.7%	22.8		-		(22.8)		
	Revenues		(924.1)		(770.0)		-		
Corporate items & Eliminations	Adjusted operating income		6.8		(18.0)		(24.8)		
	EBIT		64.7		(7.0)		(71.7)		
	Revenues		9,162.2		9,050.0		99%		
Total	Adjusted operating income	6.4%	587.3	7.0%	630.0	+0.6%	+42.6		
	EBIT	5.2%	475.1	6.4%	580.0	+1.2%	+104.8		

\*1 Italic figures indicate adjusted operating income ratio or EBIT ratio.
\*2 As Hitachi Capital Corporation was converted into an equity-method associate as of October 3, 2016, there is no company which belongs to the Financial Services Segment from FY2016-3Q.



### **Supplementary Information**

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	FY2015	FY2	FY2016 F		2017
	112013		Year over year	Forecast	Year over year
Information & Telecommunication Systems	703.5	594.6	85%		
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	872.5	919.4	105%		
Electronic Systems & Equipment	642.3	707.9	110%		
Construction Machinery	525.5	527.9	100%		
High Functional Materials & Components	885.2	828.2	94%		
Automotive Systems	575.9	568.7	99%		
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	231.1	110.8	48%		
Others	350.0	168.7	48%		
Financial Services*	139.6	64.4	46%		
Corporate items & Eliminations	(123.1)	(86.5)	-		
Total	4,802.7	4,404.5	92%	4,500.0	102%

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		FY2	2016	FY2	.017
	FY2015		Year over year	Forecast	Year over year
Information & Telecommunication Systems	49.4	31.6	64%		/
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	61.2	63.1	103%		
Electronic Systems & Equipment	20.0	23.4	117%		
Construction Machinery	23.7	14.0	59%		
High Functional Materials & Components	85.8	99.9	116%		
Automotive Systems	72.5	50.4	70%		
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	17.0	5.7	34%		
Others	56.3	17.9	32%		
Corporate items	8.6	3.5	42%		
Manufacturing, Services and Others	394.8	310.0	79%	350.0	113%
Financial Services*	133.6	67.5	51%	-	-
Total	528.5	377.5	71%	350.0	93%

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	FY2015	FY2	016	FY2	017
	112013		Year over year	Forecast	Year over year
Information & Telecommunication Systems	49.3	47.7	97%		,
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	31.6	29.1	92%		
Electronic Systems & Equipment	15.8	17.4	110%		
Construction Machinery	35.1	30.7	88%		
High Functional Materials & Components	64.5	64.2	100%		
Automotive Systems	38.7	41.7	108%		
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	15.4	10.5	68%		
Others	35.5	18.5	52%		
Corporate items	3.0	3.4	113%		
Manufacturing, Services and Others	289.3	263.6	91%	270.0	102%
Financial Services*	77.2	39.1	51%	-	
Total	366.5	302.7	83%	270.0	89%

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	FY2015	FY2016		FY2017	
	112013		Year over year	Forecast	Year over year
Information & Telecommunication Systems	59.6	50.1	84%		
Social Infrastructure & Industrial Systems	47.4	48.7	103%		
Electronic Systems & Equipment	49.3	53.6	109%		
Construction Machinery	18.8	19.0	101%		
High Functional Materials & Components	46.9	46.1	98%		
Automotive Systems	69.9	70.6	101%		
Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems	9.4	6.9	74%		
Others	6.3	5.4	86%		
Corporate items	25.6	23.0	90%		
Manufacturing, Services and Others	333.6	323.8	97%		
Financial Services*	0.1	0.0	63%		
Total	333.7	323.9	97%	350.0	108%
Percentage of revenues (%)	3.3	3.5	-	3.9	

Revenues, Adjusted operating income and EBIT<sup>\*2</sup>

				FY2016		FY2017	
		FY2015		Year over year	Previous forecast <sup>*6</sup> comparison	Forecast	Year over year
Revenues		2,109.3	1,982.8	94%	97%	2,040.0	103%
	Front Business*3	1,429.8	1,389.7	97%	98%	1,447.0	104%
	IT Platform & Products <sup>*4</sup>	786.5	736.4	94%	98%	719.0	98%
	Eliminations & Others*5	(107.0)	(143.3)	-	-	(126.0)	-
Ad	ljusted Operating Income	141.3	152.9	+11.6	+9.9	169.0	+16.0
	Front Business	120.5	118.7	(1.8)	(1.2)	140.0	+21.2
	IT Platform & Products	19.9	29.3	+9.3	+2.3	39.0	+9.6
	Eliminations & Others	0.8	4.8	+4.0	+8.8	(10.0)	(14.8)
EBIT		109.1	76.4	(32.6)	+1.4	141.0	+64.5
	Front Business	114.1	95.9	(18.2)	(21.0)	137.0	+41.0
	IT Platform & Products	10.7	(17.3)	(28.0)	(1.3)	14.0	+31.3
	Eliminations & Others	(15.7)	(2.1)	+13.6	+23.8	(10.0)	(7.8)

\*1 From FY2016, "System Solutions" and "Platform" were renamed to "Front Business" and "IT Platform & Products".

\*2 Figures for each subsegment include intersegment transactions.

\*3 System integration, sales, maintenance and related services of software and hardware for financial, public, enterprise and social infrastructure (power, rail, telecommunication, etc.) sectors, consulting, etc.

Sales, maintenance and services of server, storage, telecommunication & network equipment and related software, etc. \*4

\*5 Figures for intersegment transactions, etc.
\*6 Announced on February 1, 2017

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### Revenues of Lumada Business

Billions of yen

		FY2016	FY2017 (Forecast)	
Lu	mada business	900.0	950.0	
	1) Lumada core business	120.0	190.0	
	2) Lumada SI business	780.0	760.0	

1) Lumada core business:

Service business that converts customers data into valuable insight through AI and analytics, and improves management indicators or offers problem solutions

2) Lumada SI business:

SI business which is deployed within the IoT area (industry / manufacturing and social infrastructure area) that is led by the Lumada core business

### Case Accumulation

- Number of cases 203 (as of March 31, 2017), increased by 13 cases during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter
  - including solutions such as sewerage treatment system using ICT control technology of blowers, and predictive diagnostics system of product defect for manufacturers, etc.

Billions of yen

2.0

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Adjusted

operating income

Foreign Exchange Sensitivity<sup>\*2,3</sup>

U.S. dollar

Euro

**Revenues** 

17.0

5.0

Average Foreign Exchange Rate <sup>*1</sup>					
	FY2015 FY2016		FY2017 (Forecast)		
U.S. dollar	120	108	110		
Euro	133	119	115		

#### Number of employees and consolidated subsidiaries

		As of March 31, 2016	As of March 31, 2017
Number of employees		335,244	303,887
	Japan	187,936	169,744
	Overseas	147,308	134,143
Nun	nber of consolidated subsidiaries*4	1,056	864
	Japan	262	208
	Overseas	794	656

#### Overseas Production<sup>\*3</sup>

	FY2015	FY2016	Year over year
Overseas Production (billions of yen)	2,652.2	2,536.9	96%
Percentage of revenues	26%	28%	-
Percentage of overseas revenues	55%	58%	-

\*1 Exchange rate applied for calculating profits and losses of overseas companies (average rate for the period)
 \*2 Impact of exchange rate fluctuation (FY2017 impact by one yen depreciation from FY2017 forecasted rate)
 \*3 Figures here represent information voluntarily prepared by the company.

Consolidated trust accounts are not included into the figures of consolidated subsidiaries. \*4

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- economic conditions, including consumer spending and plant and equipment investment in Hitachi's major markets, particularly Japan, Asia, the United States and Europe, as well as levels of demand in the major industrial sectors Hitachi serves;
- exchange rate fluctuations of the yen against other currencies in which Hitachi makes significant sales or in which Hitachi's assets and liabilities are denominated, particularly against the U.S. dollar and the euro;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi's ability to access, or access on favorable terms, liquidity or long-term financing;
- uncertainty as to general market price levels for equity securities, declines in which may require Hitachi to write down equity securities that it holds;
- Illuctuations in the price of raw materials including, without limitation, petroleum and other materials, such as copper, steel, aluminum, synthetic resins, rare metals and rare-earth minerals, or shortages of materials, parts and components;
- the possibility of cost fluctuations during the lifetime of, or cancellation of, long-term contracts for which Hitachi uses the percentage-of-completion method to recognize revenue from sales;
- credit conditions of Hitachi's customers and suppliers;
- fluctuations in product demand and industry capacity;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi's ability to implement measures to reduce the potential negative impact of fluctuations in product demand, exchange rates and/or price of raw materials or shortages of materials, parts and components;
- 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;
- increased commoditization of and intensifying price competition for products;
- 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;
- the potential for significant losses on Hitachi's investments in equity-method associates and joint ventures;
- general socioeconomic and political conditions and the regulatory and trade environment of countries where Hitachi conducts business, particularly Japan, Asia, the United States and Europe, including, without limitation, direct or indirect restrictions by other nations on imports and differences in commercial and business customs including, without limitation, contract terms and conditions and labor relations;
- uncertainty as to the success of cost structure overhaul;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi's ability to attract and retain skilled personnel;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi's access to, or ability to protect, certain intellectual property rights;
- uncertainty as to the outcome of litigation, regulatory investigations and other legal proceedings of which the Company, its subsidiaries or its equity-method associates and joint ventures have become or may become parties;
- the possibility of incurring expenses resulting from any defects in products or services of Hitachi;
- 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;
- uncertainty as to Hitachi's ability to maintain the integrity of its information systems, as well as Hitachi's ability to protect its confidential information or that of its customers; and
- uncertainty as to the accuracy of key assumptions Hitachi uses to evaluate its employee benefit-related costs.

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