

**PRESS RELEASE**

**IIJ and SCSK Collaborate on Interconnection of Shiroi and Inzai Data Centers**

*-- Customers of each data center will enjoy secure and ready access to the services of both companies --*

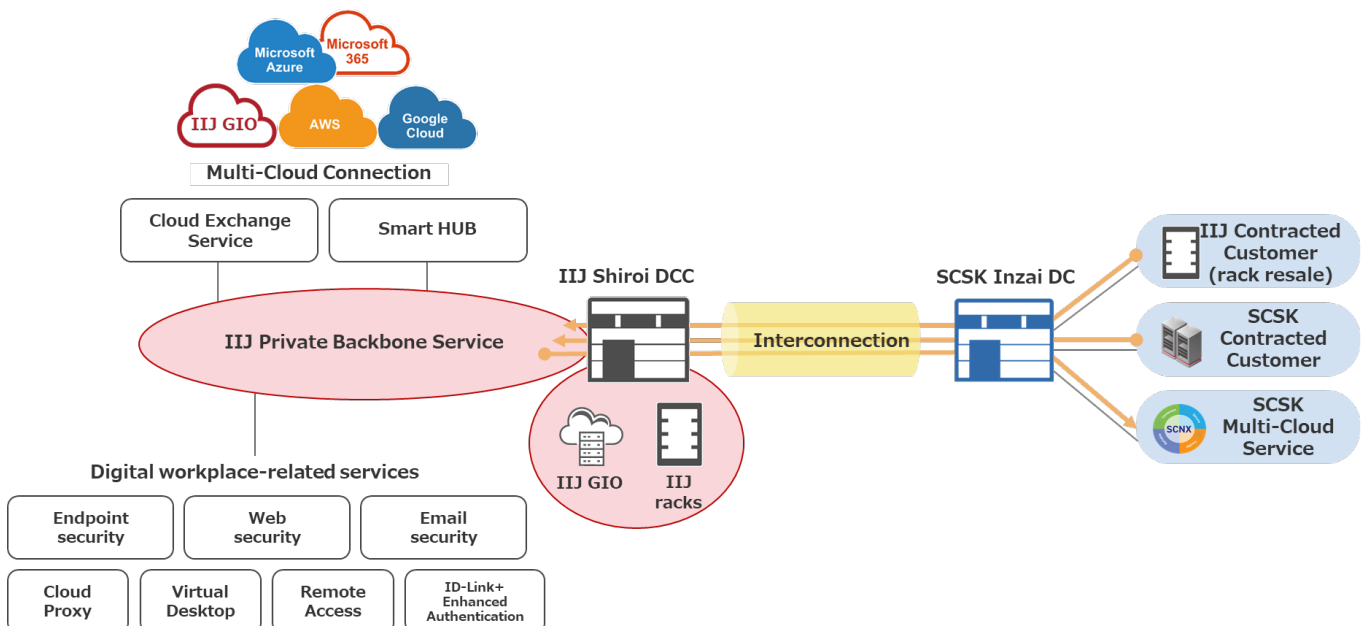
TOKYO – November 20, 2024 - Internet Initiative Japan Inc. (TSE Prime 3774), one of Japan's leading Internet access and comprehensive network solutions providers, today announced a collaboration with SCSK Corporation (“SCSK”), whereby the two companies agree to interconnect the IIJ Shiroi Data Center Campus (“Shiroi DCC”) and SCSK Inzai Campus starting December 2024. The interconnection will give customers of the two companies secure and ready access to the network services and rack services of both companies, based on their needs, without having to configure closed networks separately to the data centers.

The IIJ Shiroi DCC is a large-scale data center complex that went into operation in May 2019 in Shiroi City, Chiba Prefecture, to aggregate the digital data that has grown explosively with the growth of 5G/IoT/AI/cloud and other services. Chiba’s Inzai district where the Shiroi DCC is located has become known for its concentration of data centers of the world’s IT companies. IIJ has been building up its network there, based on a network hub concept linking various cloud services, nearby data centers, and Internet exchange points (IX), and has implemented interconnection with the SCSK Inzai data center as part of this initiative.

■ Overview of the collaboration

Interconnecting the respective data centers of IIJ and SCSK, the two companies will provide customers with ready access to a closed network, without the need to configure one on their own. Besides being able to connect between racks in each other’s data center on this closed network, customers can readily make use of both companies’ network security services and cloud services in a safe and secure environment, via the IIJ and SCSK network services IIJ Private Backbone Service and SCSK Cloud netXchange (SCNX).

Illustration



■ Advantages for customers

Availability of the rich array of services offered by both companies

IIJ customers will be able to make closed connections to a hybrid cloud using the SCSK multi-cloud connection service SCSK Cloud netXchange Service (SCNX), while being able to configure a more robust backup environment in combination with multi-cloud connections via the IIJ Smart HUB.

As for SCSK customers, they will gain access via the IIJ Private Backbone Service to various services provided by IIJ, including closed network access to Microsoft 365 and use of digital workplace services such as Internet access, email, and Web security.

Use of the data center racks of both companies

Customers with racks in either of the companies' data center can readily make use of racks in the other data center on a closed network, making flexible use of each of the rack spaces based on demand and expansion plans.

■ Start of provision

December 19, 2024

■ Connection cost to SCSK Inzai data center

Estimated separately based on bandwidth

**About IIJ**

Founded in 1992, IIJ is one of Japan's leading Internet-access and comprehensive network solutions providers. IIJ and its group companies provide total network solutions that mainly cater to high-end corporate customers. IIJ's services include high-quality Internet connectivity services, systems integration, cloud computing services, security services and mobile services. Moreover, IIJ has built one of the largest Internet backbone networks in Japan that is connected to the United States, the United Kingdom and Asia. IIJ was listed on the Prime Market of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 2022. For more information about IIJ, visit the official website: <https://www.ij.ad.jp/en/>.

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