



Ireland Japan
Chamber of Commerce

NEWSLETTER

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This is a revised version of the recently issued newsletter which contained a link error. We apologize for any confusion this may cause.

Message from the President



Dear members and friends of the IJCC,

I hope you all had a relaxed and enjoyable time during Christmas and New Year holiday season.

The situation of COVID19 in Japan has dramatically changed this month and unfortunately, the number of newly infected people throughout Japan has jumped dramatically. We do not know when this sixth wave of COVID-19 will reach the peak but we hope the situation will get back to normal in early Spring time. Considering the current situation it becomes difficult to consider in-person events but we would like to monitor the situation closely and start holding in-person events as soon as situation allows us.

The IJCC is planning to arrange a booster shot of the COVID-19 vaccine for our members

and friends possibly in March, so if you want to join our program please let us know.

Meanwhile we have started reviewing our 2021 activities and thinking about our plan and strategy for the 2022 fiscal year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our members and friends and Team Ireland for your great support of the IJCC this past year. Your strong support allowed us to provide interesting and informative events and grow our membership. If you have any ideas, suggestions, proposals or comments on what the IJCC can provide to its members please let us know. Your voice is important to the IJCC board.

I wish you a prosperous new year and hope you take care of yourself and keep safe!

Best regards,

Yoshihiro Tsuchiya
President, Irish Japan Chamber of Commerce (IJCC)

Member Focus



1. Could you give us an overview of your company?

Global Shares is a fintech firm based in Clonakilty in Cork, Ireland, with offices in Tokyo, Miyazaki and 15 other locations around the globe. We specialise in supporting companies to implement equity compensation programmes, helping them to create employee shareholders through the provision of our software, administration support and share-dealing services.

We deal with companies with a handful of employees right the way through to some of the biggest and most exciting private and publicly listed companies in the world. Global Shares is a regulated firm and exports to 100+ countries worldwide.

In 2021 we had the great honour to be crowned Technology Ireland's 'Technology Company of the Year'.

[For the rest of the interview please visit our website](#)

We'd like to feature our corporate and professional members in this newsletter. If you want to be featured please contact secretariat@ijcc.jp

News

Minister Brophy launches 'Back for Business' support programme for returning emigrants to Ireland



On January 4th, Minister of State for Overseas Development Aid and Diaspora, Colm Brophy T.D. launched the 'Back for Business' programme and a call for applicants for this free initiative to help returned emigrants start and develop businesses in Ireland. In its fifth year, the Back for Business developmental programme is funded from the Government's Emigrant Support Programme, and was established to foster and support entrepreneurial activity among emigrants returning to live in Ireland.

Read the press release [HERE](#)

The call is open today for applications for the 2022 programme and will run from the end of February to June 2022. Up to 50 people will be offered places with **no charge for those selected to participate and the closing date for applications is Tuesday, February 15th, 2022.**

For more information or to register your interest in receiving an application form, please see www.backforbusiness.com

**A New Special Offer by IJCC Corporate Member,
Conrad Tokyo**

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TOKYO

IJCC Corporate Member, Conrad Tokyo offers IJCC members a special monitor plan from January 17th to June 30th, 2022. Details are available [HERE](#).

To book a room with this plan, please indicate that you are an IJCC Member when contacting Conrad Tokyo.

Butler's Chocolate and Bewley's Irish Tea & Coffee Now Available on Kyojin Store



As Valentine's Day is coming at the corner, IJCC Regional Professional Member Alan Fisher's Kyojin Company started to sell Butler's Chocolate and Bewley's Irish Tea & Coffee on Kyojin Store.

Check more details [HERE](#)

Visit Kyojin Store [HERE](#)

Enjoy our events with a taste of Ireland.



The "[Irish Online Event Set](#)" is available on [the Kyojin Store](#). The set contains 1 x Sausage Variety Pack, 5 x Potato Bread, 1 x Maggie's Leap IPA (Can),

They also offer you a 1,500 JPY discount when you purchase more than 10,000 JPY. Please apply using the coupon code: **IJCCStorePromo**

Job Info



Nikon Precision Europe GmbH

Applicant Portal is available [HERE](#).

Check the LinkedIn page [HERE](#).

Special Offers for IJCC members

Our members provide special offers to fellow IJCC members. Please see our website for the latest.

<https://www.ijcc.jp/members-only/offer-ijcc-members>

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