Embark Business into Japan and Abroad!

Keihanna Global Acceleration Program Plus

KGAP+

- Launched in 2019 by ATR that takes initiative to boost ecosystem in Keihanna Science City where is a PoC-friendly city in Kyoto, Japan.
- Provide hands-on support to startups in securing partners for PoC or pilot tests to expand their business in the Japanese market according to their needs.
- Supported 79 startup companies from 9 countries.
- 83% of the companies in Batch 1 - 5 succeeded in finding partner(s) and discussing a PoC.
- 62 professionals from Japan and abroad engaged as mentor, coordinator and management.
- Partnered key organizations and investors in worldwide innovation ecosystems: JETRO (Japan External Trade Organization), Barcelona Activa, Israel Innovation Authority, Entrepreneurs Roundtable Accelerator in NYC, The National Research Council of Canada, Confederation of Indian Industry, NASSCOM (National Association of Software and Services Companies) in India and InnovationRCA (Royal Collage of Arts in UK), as well as embassies and state representative offices such as Embassy of Finland and State of Bavaria in Japan.
- KGAP+ collaborates with the Osaka, Kyoto, Hyogo – Kobe Consortium which is selected a Global Startup City under the Japanese Cabinet Office.

BATCH 7 - 2022 Summer - Online

PRE-SCREENING

- Review applications sent by partnered organizations in the world
- Close applications 4 weeks before Local Challenge

SELECTION - LOCAL CHALLENGE (Mid Mar to Mid Apr)

- Pitch events to select participants
- Held for each of partnering regions
- 5-10 startups per region

WORK TOWARD POC or PILOT TESTS (May 10 to DEMO DAY)

- Unveiling pitch event
- Mentoring
- B2B meetings with potential partners
- Propose a PoC / pilot test

DEMO DAY (Late Aug)

- Showcase achievements to seek more partners
- Demo Day in collaboration with innovation key players in Kansai region

PARTNERS

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