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Notice on Execution of Investment in SLAMcore Limited., a low-energy, modular-type SLAM system company

Simultaneous localization and mapping technologies for autonomous cars and robots

Tokyo (May 10, 2017) – SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (SPARX) announces that "Mirai Creation Investment Limited Partnership" (Fund), has executed a new investment (amount not disclosed) in SLAMcore Limited. (company). Using this capital, the company will accelerate its R&D efforts to develop a modular SLAM (Simultaneous Localization and Mapping) system aimed at solving issues related to power consumption and data volume. The company aims to be a global leader in SLAM technology for AR/VR, autonomous cars, and robots. It is the first time that the Fund has invested in a U.K. based company.

■ Overview of Investment

The company, established in February 2016, is a spin-out from Imperial College London. The university is one of the shareholders of the company and provides continuous support. The company is developing a SLAM system that delivers robust performance whilst minimising energy consumption and data volume. This modular SLAM system will be available for AR/VR, autonomous cars, and robots.

■ Overview of the Fund

The Fund targets investment in enterprises and projects that possess innovative technologies in the core fields of AI, robotics, technologies to enable a hydrogen-based society, as well as other related projects. The Fund began its operations in November 2015 with SPARX as an operator, with investment of 13.5 billion yen by Toyota Motor Corporation, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and SPARX. At the end of April 2017, 19 companies have invested in the Fund and AUM reached 36.5 billion yen.

■ Related Press Release

"Notice Concerning the Execution of First Investment Project by Mirai Creation Fund" dated January 5, 2016.
https://www.sparxgroup.com/press/uploads/PressE160105-01.pdf

"Notice Concerning the Execution of New Investment by Mirai Creation Fund" dated January 13, 2016.
https://www.sparxgroup.com/press/uploads/PressE160113-01.pdf

"Notice Concerning the Execution of First Investment In Energy Storage Venture by Mirai Creation Fund" dated March 30, 2016.
https://www.sparxgroup.com/press/uploads/PressE160330-01.pdf

"INCJ, SPARX Group and Mitsubishi UFJ Capital to invest in 3D MEDiA Co., Ltd. Company develops and markets world's first "3D robot vision system" dated May 26, 2016.
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"Notice On the Execution of Investment In WHILL, Revolutionary Next-Generation Personal Mobility Device Company" dated June 1, 2016.
https://www.sparxgroup.com/press/uploads/PressE160601-01.pdf

"Notice On the Execution of Investment In SORACOM, M2M Connection Service, which is Crucial in IoT Era" dated July 6, 2016.
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"Notice On the Execution of Investment In GROOVE X New Generation Robot for Consumer Appliances" dated October 4, 2016.
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"Notice of Investment in FiNC Japan's Mobile Health Technology Venture" dated January 13, 2017.
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"Notice on the Execution of Investment in MJI, Consumer Communication Robots Company" dated February 17, 2017.
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"Notice on the Execution of Investment in Magellan Japan's Satellite Navigation Systems Comp"dated February 20, 2017.
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"Notice on Execution of Investment in aptpod,Bi-Directional Cloud System Provider, Applicable to Autonomous Driving" dated March 8, 2017.
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