# Mid Term Business Plan (2021-2023) Progress Update 1st Quarter, 2021

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## Mid Term Business Plan Communications

## February 16, 2021 (Tues.)

- Mid Term Business Plan (2021-2023) based on Mid-Long Term Business Strategy Framework
- Looking toward 2030

## May 17, 2021 (Mon.)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter financial results
- Mid Term Business Plan (2021-2023) Progress Update

Rebuild earning power

Strategic growth investment

Realization of the Sustainability Business Framework

**Enablers for execution – HRX** 

"Mid Term Business Plan (2021-2023) Progress Update" planned at each quarter's financial results announcement for 2021

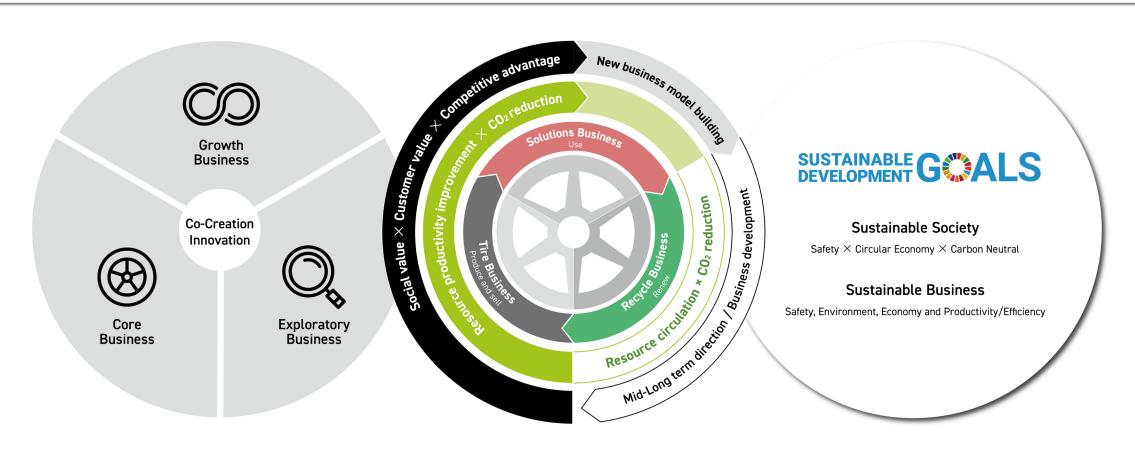
## Mid-Long Term Business Strategy with Sustainability at its Core Y2020~Bridgestone 3.0 (The 3rd Foundation)



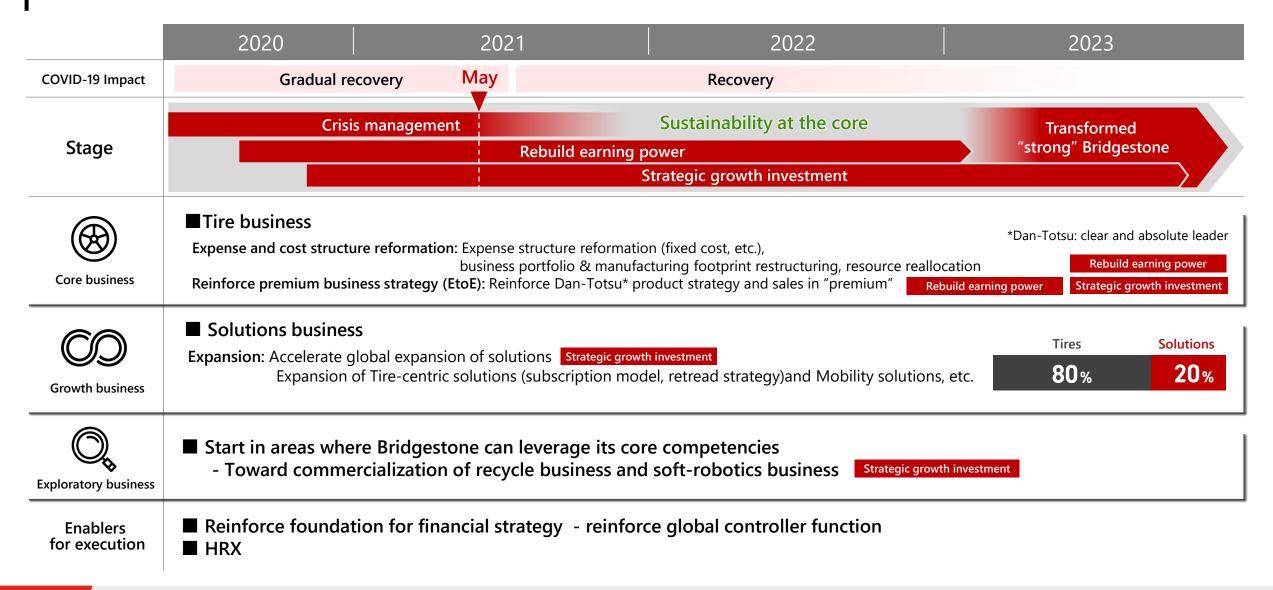
## Bridgestone 3.0 Journey toward 2030

**Toward a Sustainable Solutions Company** 

Support the mobility and movement of people & objects. Create social and customer value, and gain competitive advantage



## Bridgestone 3.0 Business Scenario: Mid Term Business Plan (2021-23) "Aggressive approach" & "Challenge"





## Mid Term Business Plan(2021-2023) Progress in 1Q 2021: "Aggressive approach" & "Challenge"

Accelerate actions toward achieving the Mid Term Business Plan and realizing the Sustainability Business Framework



#### **Strategic Focus**



Business

#### **Premium Business Strategy (EtoE)**

- Reinforce Dan-Totsu product strategy
- Reinforce sales in "premium"

- Improvement of manufacturing

#### **Execution & Results**

- Thoroughly improve the quality of business EtoE
  - Dan-Totsu product strategy taking into account new mobility & sustainability, accelerate agile development/innovation: reinforce ENLITEN, the next generation eco-friendly product
  - Thoroughly improve sales MIX (increase sales in HRD, major brands, etc.)

    →HRD\*sales for 1Q 2021: Global Replacement sales 122% (vs. 2020)
  - Respond to rising raw material prices, while strategically managing price to capitalize product power (Dan-Totsu products)
  - Reinforce premium channel sales, improve customer experience: expand & upgrade subscription models, etc.
  - Improve conversion cost through manufacturing (Genba) reinforcement (productivity improvement & maximum usage of existing equipment)

    → Improvement impact for 1Q 2021 : approx. 6 B JPY
- Turn change into opportunity
  - Agile supply chain management to capture demand recovery, globally optimize sourcing

Agenda for 2Q~:

Further improve revenue to catch up demand recovery, especially in N. America

**※** HRD: High Rim Diameter

Rebuild earning power

Further improve sales MIX & price

#### **Expense and cost structure reformation**

- Business portfolio & manufacturing footprint restructuring
- Execute thorough expense & cost management across the value chain, based on contribution to ROIC improvement
- Based on the premise of sustainable growth of each business (tires, diversified products, internal manufacturing, etc.), execute from a mid-long term perspective
  - As of May 2021: restructuring of 21 locations Bethune plant (France) closed in April for the tire business, restructuring of diversified products business



Rebuild earning power

## Mid Term Business Plan(2021-2023) Progress in 1Q 2021: "Aggressive approach" & "Challenge"

Accelerate actions toward achieving the Mid Term Business Plan and realizing the Sustainability Business Framework

realizing the Sustainability Business Framework			
	Strategic Focus	Execution & Results	
Growth business	Accelerate global expansion of solutions - Enhance Tire-centric solutions	<ul> <li>Evolving the Mining Tire/Solutions business         <ul> <li>Expand sales of Dan-Totsu product "MasterCore", reinforce system to produce premium products</li></ul></li></ul>	
	- Expand Mobility solutions	accelerating roll-out of mining solutions •Execute the global scale-up of mobility solutions from Webfleet Solutions in Europe as center of excellence	
Exploratory business	Recycle business & soft-robotics business - Exploration toward commercialization	<ul> <li>Explore &amp; screen technical seeds, participate in establishing an ecosystem</li> <li>Recycle Business Preparation Office: established in February, accelerating study for commercialization</li> <li>Soft-robotics Business Preparation Office: to be established in July</li> </ul>	
Enablers for execution	Accelerate HRX	<ul> <li>Separate core business &amp; growth &amp; exploratory businesses organizations step by step:         <ul> <li>Establish R&amp;D organizations enabling agile development &amp; technology innovation</li> <li>(JPN: Technical Center (Tokyo-Kodaira), Bridgestone Innovation Park / EU: Digital Garage / US: Mobility Lab)</li> <li>Establish solutions business organizations</li> <li>(EU: Bridgestone Mobility Solutions Business Unit / US: Solutions Businesses group)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Started talent-matching system, promote Diversity &amp; Inclusion</li> </ul>	

Reinforce foundation for financial strategy • Established global controller function: monitor & evaluate strategic resource investment



## Core business: Rebuild earning power – Premium business strategy





Reinforce Dan-Totsu product strategy

Product strategy taking into account sustainability & the evolution of mobility

■ Leveraging Bridgestone's core competencies, accelerate approach to OEMs (emerging OEMs included) toward EV/electrification and "Shared"

"Mastering rubber"

DX / Innovation for Solutions

Realization of Sustainability Business Framework

⇒Promote new product development process based on project-based agile development and innovation /co-creation

■ Next generation eco-friendly products

reinforce innovative tire technology



## ENLITER

Innovative tire technology achieving both environmental & driving performances

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Tire technology realizing superior fuel efficiency



#### **Bridgestone's DX**

Reduce man-hour & test tires in development phase using simulation technology



CO2 reduction & resource productivity improvements in manufacturing

Reinforce partnerships with sustainability as its core

– from interaction with empathy to co-creation

Co-creation with Lightyear\* for long-range solar electric powered car "Lightyear One", set for the world's 1st commercialization by the end of 2021



"TURANZA ECO" (developed & fitted)



A new challenge based on 8 years of co-creation activities through the Bridgestone World Solar Challenge



\*Lightyear: a company developing long-range solar EV (Lightyear One) based in Netherlands, established in 2016



## Core business: Rebuild earning power – Premium business strategy

**Expand** 



#### Reinforce sales in "premium"

Reinforce channels that provide solutions to society & customers sustainably, and support the advancement of mobility

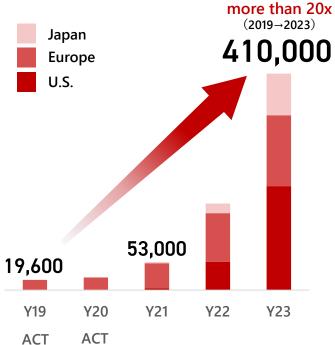
Value customer experience (CX) improvement, provide safety & peace of mind through Bridgestone's Dan-Totsu network

#### **■** Expansion of subscription model

Subscription model for passenger cars providing tires and vehicle maintenance services with safety & peace of mind according to each driver's conditions of use



Start of Mobox rollout in Japan (April 2021)



■ Enhance mobile van service - passenger cars / light trucks - Enhance mobile services that can be customized to different conditions of use





Lube mobile (Australia)

Firestone Direct (US)

#### ■ Al-powered diagnostic solution service





- Solutions to recommend the perfect tires to customers using Al
- · Link with e-commerce

Start of rollout in Japan (March 2021)

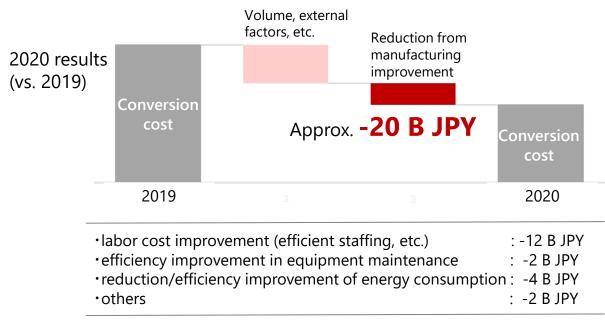
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# Improvement of manufacturing

Accelerate global efforts to reinforce manufacturing & increase productivity, continue improvements for a competitive cost structure

Promote agile management & global optimization of supply sourcing to capture demand recovery

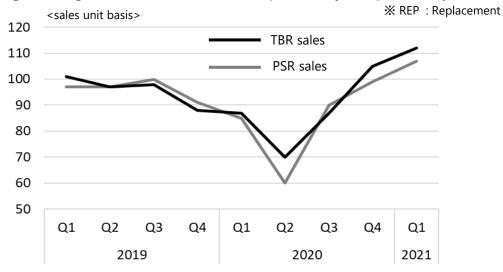
- Conversion cost improvement through manufacturing improvement
  - Reinforce (Genba) manufacturing / maximum use of existing equipment / improvement of productivity
  - "To manage manufacturing is to develop people there"



1Q 2021 results (vs. 2020): approx. -6 B JPY reduction

- In 2021, capture demand recovery and link to performance "Turn change into opportunity"
  - Closely monitor and respond to change in business environment & demand trend
  - Maximum use of existing equipment
  - Agile supply chain management
    - Global optimization considering risks like COVID-19
    - For 2021: Increase supply from Asia
      - ⇒ support demand recovery in US & Europe

#### Bridgestone global REP\* sales trend vs. previous year (previous year=100)



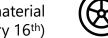
## Core business: Rebuild earning power – Expense and cost structure reformation

■ Execute manufacturing footprint & business portfolio restructuring over a long term

Global manufacturing footprint restructuring (incl. diversified products and internal manufacturing sites) planned during the Mid Term Business Plan period (2021-2023): approx. 40% reduction by 2023 from approx. 160 locations in 2019









#### Core business Core business & Growth business: Restructuring with resolve - 4 categories for execution

MAIN

## Continue reinforcement/expansion

Expand solutions business based on our strong core business, accelerate value amplification

Resources

**Proactive investment** 

**Profits** 

Maximize

N. America Tire/Solutions biz

Mining Tire/Solutions biz

Japan Tire/Solutions biz

- Reinforce premium business strategy
- Expand solutions business
- Master manufacturing, business structure reformation
- Reinforce tire-centric solutions

Aim to become "MAIN"

Start contribution to group

**NEXT** 

Step-by-step investment

**Profits** 

**Build foundation** 

China Passenger Car Tire biz

L. America / India PS / Asia-Pacific / Middle East Tire biz

- Reinforce premium business strategy
- Lay foundation for solutions
- Reinforce premium business strategy

**STRATEGIC** 

## Contribute to global strategy

Build framework for strategic synergy & contribution to global group

Resources

Limited investment

**Profits** 

**Build foundation** (stabilize profitability)

**Europe Tire/Solutions biz** 

- Tire business: Reinforce premium business strategy
- Solutions business: Drive & reinforce global expansion
- \*Basis for global strategy regarding: sustainability, regulations, MaaS, OEM (Passenger cars, truck and bus)

**Aviation Tire/Solutions biz** 

Expand solutions business

Aim to become "NEXT"

Stabilize profitability

**DEVELOPING** 

Resources

Resources

Minimal investment

**Profits** 

**Build foundation** (break away from deficits)

China Truck & Bus Tire biz

India Truck & Bus Tire biz

Russia / Africa / Tire biz

- Rebuild business
- · Reinforce premium business strategy



## Core business & Growth business "MAIN" – Evolve Mining Tire/Solutions

- Premium business strategy to support the solutions business: Reinforce system for "premium production"

  Create social & customer value, gain competitive advantage
- DX in Manufacturing
  - transfer craft person skills

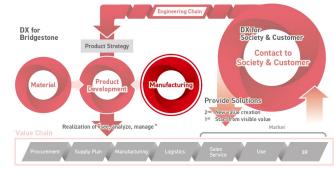
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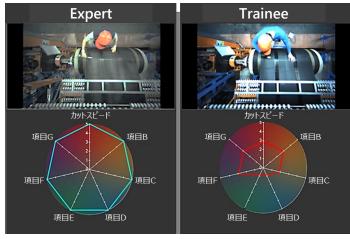
#### Development\* & installment of "skill transfer system" in tire building process

\*Joint development with Nobby Tech

- visualize & standardize the advanced skills of expert workers through DX, ensuring certain & efficient transfer
- Install in plants for OR & AC\* tires, which require the comprehensive & advanced technologies of a tire manufacturer

\* OR & AC : Off the road & Aircraft tires





Installation of new system:

OR tire plant: Kitakyushu plant AC tire plant: Kurume plant, Thai plant (planned)

- Upgrading equipment in Shimonoseki plant, our OR tire flagship production site
  - Enhance safety, disaster preparedness, quality and productivity
  - Contribute to sustainability & achieving harmony with the local community
    - Increase renewable energy ratio
       (Installation of solar power generation equipment)
    - Efficient use of water resources (Installation of a water purification system)
  - ⇒Plant infrastructures will serve as the community's lifeline in case of disasters
- Reinforce system for "premium production"

7 plants, including Shimonoseki, received Platinum Level certification, the highest rating in Caterpillar's\* Supplier Quality Excellence Process\*\*



<sup>\*</sup>Caterpillar Inc.: world-leading manufacturer for construction and mining equipment

<sup>\*\*</sup>Recognizes suppliers who can consistently deliver superior products & services

## Core business & Growth business "MAIN" – Evolve Mining Tire/Solutions

■ Enhance Mining solutions business through strategic growth investments, and accelerate value spiral-up between core & growth businesses.

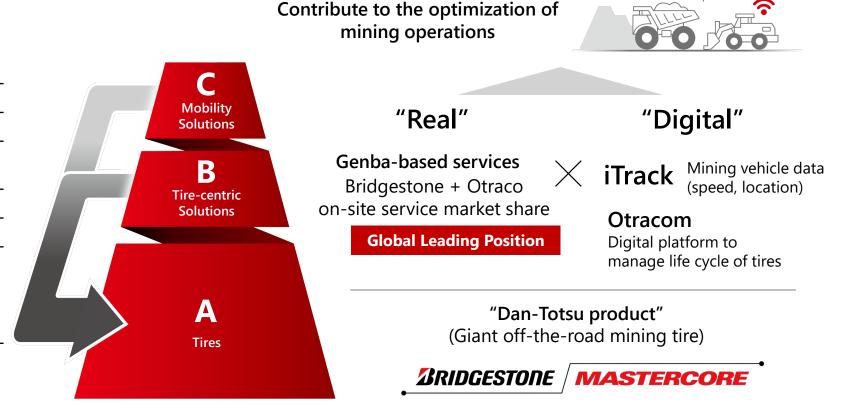
Agreed acquisition of Otraco - OR tire management and services solutions provider

#### Synergy to evolve Mining solutions

#### **Overview of Otraco:**

Name	Otraco International Pty Ltd
Headquarters	Perth, Western Australia, AUS
Main business	OR tire maintenance, inspection, and comprehensive management
Employees	Approx. 860*
Capital	Approx. 2.6M AUD*
Locations	On-site service site : approx. 50 Otraco offices : 4 sites (Australia, South Africa, Chile)

\*as of March 31, 2021



MasterCore

fitment target 83 mines

Bridgestone + Otraco

on-site services

offering

MasterCore

Sales

iTrack

installation

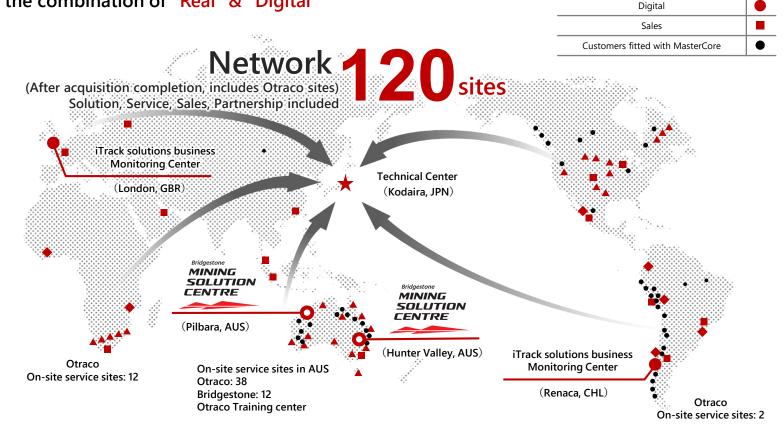
## Core business & Growth business "MAIN" – Evolve Mining Tire/Solutions

Expand sales of Dan-Totsu product "MasterCore", long term contract signed with major mining companies which includes solutions.

**Solution** 

contract

Leveraging Bridgestone's strong Dan-Totsu products + on-site services, expand deployment of solution contracts + mining vehicle/tire monitoring digital tool "iTrack". ⇒ Reinforce foundation for solutions through the combination of "Real" & "Digital"



(On the assumption of the clearance by competition authorities of relative countries, and the completion of acquisition)



Solution center

Other BS-owned

Partnership

Service/ solution **Produce** 

## To realize Sustainability Business Framework

Evolve our core business and growth business, and start exploring recycle business, with sustainability at the core

#### & Global Sustainable Procurement Policy Management of water resources Guayule research, efforts for practical use • Enhance and spread fuel-efficient tires Reduction of production loss Sell Renewable energy usage Promote smart factory Tire & Rubber Business (Premium Business strategy EtoE) Solutions Business (Retread centric) Support mobility mind and safety Procurement Production CO2 reduction in manufacturing fields Contribution to Tire to CO<sub>2</sub> reduction at Raw Materia Tire Rubber customers' usage CO2 reduction effect by resource circulation Recycle Business Recycle Technical seeds Renew "Tire to Rubber" and "Tire to Raw Material" recycling technology that ensures high quality and less energy Explore eco-systems and business opportunities

Raw material procurement ~ Production

#### Sales (products)

- Respond to accelerating EV shift (OE approach)
- Expand next-generation eco-friendly products
- Enhance durable truck & bus and light truck tires that also prevent irregular wear to expand multiple retreading

## Use

#### Solution

- Multiple retreading of durable case tires that also prevent irregular wear
- Optimization of customer fleet operations
- Wear/endurance prediction
- Repair
- Subscription

#### **Premium Retread**

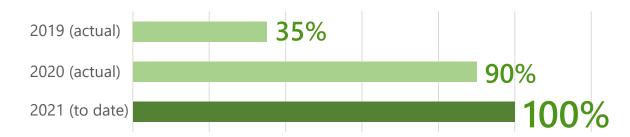
Propose optimal tire operation Retread customized to customer use/needs

## **Progress in realizing Sustainability Business Framework**

■ Progress in realizing the sustainability business framework

Overall	<mid business="" items="" plan="" priority="" term="" –=""> • Efforts to achieve carbon neutrality and realize a circular economy</mid>
Carbon neutrality	<ul> <li>CO2 emission reduction target for 2023:         more than -30% (vs. 2011)</li> <li>Long-Term Environmental Vision (Milestone 2050): Carbon neutrality</li> <li>Mid term environmental targets (Milestone 2030): -50% (vs. 2011)</li> <li>Drive global efforts to achieve mid-long term environmental targets</li> <li>Reinforce internal "carbon pricing" activities</li> <li>For investment decision-making:         Introduced in 2011         Continue improving exercise on a global level</li> <li>For enterprise value:         Expand &amp; promote concept of carbon pricing throughout all business activities</li> </ul>
Circular economy	<ul> <li>Start exploration of recycle business:         <ul> <li>Verify potentials &amp; screen recycle technologies (pyrolysis, biological processing etc.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Draw up verification plan for commercialization: commercialization/implementation target: 2024-2026</li> </ul>

■ Toward carbon neutrality – Bridgestone Europe NV/SA (BSEMIA) Renewable Energy Ratio in EU region: 100% (electricity)



■ Globally expand use of renewable energy (electricity) from EU

Global 2021 2023 renewable energy ratio Approx. 12% Aim for 50% and higher

Installation of large-scale solar power generation systems at manufacturing sites



Aiken plant (US)



Wuxi plant (CHN)

## Sustainability recognitions and participation in initiatives

- Deepen understanding of various sustainability issues, and participate in initiatives toward the realization of a sustainable society. Promote efforts in society and the industry.
  - Major sustainability indices (as of April 2021)





CDP Climate Change : A Supplier Engagement : A Water Security : A-



DJSI Asia Pacific (11 years in a row)



FTSE4Good Index Series (3 years in a row)



STOXX Global ESG Leaders (2 years in a row)



Euronext Vigeo World 120 Index

■ Other sustainability indices (as of April 2021)



ISS ESG Corporate Rating Prime

#### ■ Sustainability indices in Japan (as of April 2021)

**2020** CONSTITUENT MSCI日本株 女性活躍指数 (WIN)



GPIF selected ESG indices
•FTSE Blossom Japan Index
•MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index



PRIDE index Gold (3 years in a row)



Eco-first program member (2011~)



Toyo Keizai

CSR Ranking
(20<sup>th</sup>)

EcoVadis Gold
(Bridgestone Europe)



World's Most Admired Companies 2021 (6<sup>th</sup> in Motor Vehicle Parts)

VORLD'S MOST



Global CSR Awards (BSCAP: Platinum, BSTVN: Gold)

#### ■ Participation in sustainability & environmental initiatives



World Business Council for

Sustainable Development



Tire Industry Project



Global platform for sustainable natural rubber



Ellen MacArthur Foundation



Task Force on Climaterelated Financial Disclosures



Call to action (Business for Nature)



Challenge Zero (Keidanren)

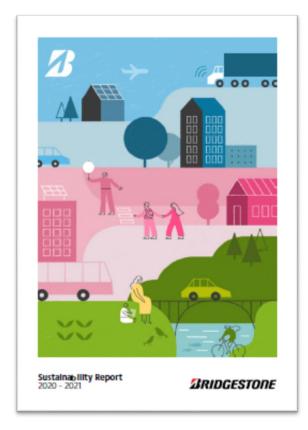


## Sustainability Report 2020-2021

## Evolve into a sustainable solutions company, and contribute to the realization of a sustainable society

Provide both social value and customer value, and gain competitive advantage. Foster trust through business activities & social contribution activities.

From interaction with empathy to co-creation.



Planned to be issued end of June, 2021

#### Main contents

- Contribution to SDGs
- Global CEO Commitment
- Mid-Long Term Business Strategy
- Mid Term Business Plan
- Toward the realization of the Sustainability Business
   Framework (activities, efforts)
- Foundations for value co-creation / Governance
- ESG data



- Focus on 13 SDGs and contribute to their achievement in 2030
- Promote business activities and social contribution activities in 3 priority areas (Mobility/People/Environment)

## HR & organizational strategy as enablers for Mid Term Business Plan

■ Execute an HR strategy with "Aggressive approach" & "Challenge", while leveraging our strengths Build HR strategy and organizational structure for each business step by step



**Culture** transformation

Breakaway from existing challenges and make a radical transformation, while leveraging our unique strengths

- Group global optimization aligned with business strategy
- Clarify roles and responsibilities, improve organizational efficiency, optimize talent allocation
- ⇒ Generate resources, and flexibly reallocate to growth and exploratory businesses



New culture creation

#### Create structure and working style for solutions business

- ⇒ Export the new culture to core business to make it stronger
- Build global organizational structure for solutions business, maximal leveraging of diversity & inclusion
- Develop digital talent. Promote exchange of talent on global basis from Webfleet Solutions and iTrack solutions business, etc.



**Exploratory business** 

Challenge

#### Build new structure based on challenge

- Diversity & inclusion, global utilization of talents
- Internal and external networking and talents exchange to facilitate co-creation
- Entrepreneurial spirit

## Bridgestone's HRX\*

\*HRX: Human Resource Transformation

Maximize organization capability (Organization x Talent output) for execution of Mid Term Business Plan Continuously promote development of diverse talent and next-generation global management

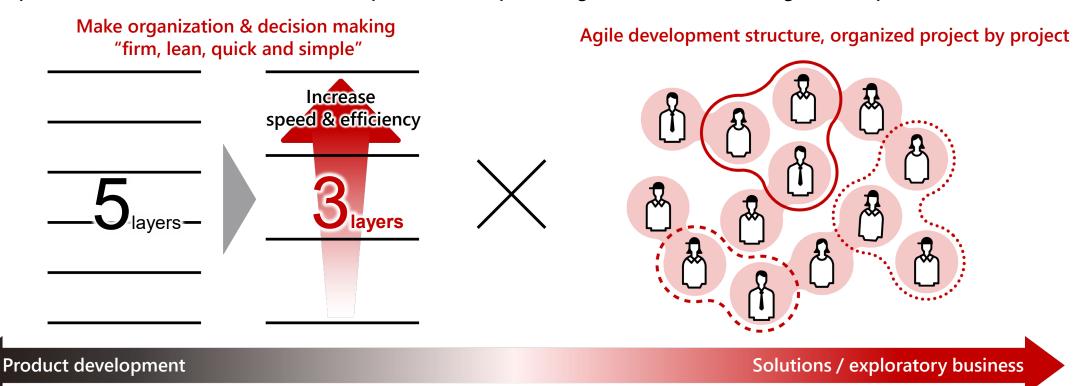


HR & organizational strategy as enablers for Mid Term Business Plan: To accelerate technology innovation (Japan)

New organization for "Solutions / Exploratory Business Development" separated from core business, and established within the Technical Center (Tokyo-Kodaira)

Accelerate innovation with new culture and an entrepreneurial spirit

⇒ Export the new culture to the core business product development organization, and enable agile development



Bridgestone Innovation Park: establish a place to accelerate co-creation / innovation

## HR & organizational strategy as enablers for Mid Term Business Plan: Developing digital talents

Reinforce external cooperation such as with universities, etc. and develop high-level digital talents (ex. Al/algorithm experts), and accelerate DX. Focus especially on developing advanced digital talents (intermediate level and above): approx. 900 people (in 2021) → approx. 1200 people globally (in 2023)

**Digital Talent** Advanced Intermediate Beginner

#### Full DS: Reinforce external collaboration

#### Full DS\*

: Al / Algorithm Expert

Recruit/develop Al/algorithm expert candidates through cooperation with universities, etc.

- Establish endowed chairs at universities: provide theme/data, develop digital talent through joint activities with Bridgestone teammates, etc.
- Participate study program for doctoral courses both in Japan and abroad: curriculums that enable further advanced Al/algorithm development

#### Associate DS

: Solution Field Engineer

#### **Develop Solution Field Engineers**

• Acquire data science & Al knowledge through internal real-life examples & exercises, become capable of solving problems

#### Associate / Assistant DS: Expand internal development opportunities

All engineering staff: Expand internal development opportunities for DS ⇒Compulsory for new engineering staff from 2019

It is becoming established as an internal development program

#### **Assistant DS**

Company-wide: Talent development to support the Group's DX

- Acquire data literacy (understand and make use of data)
- ⇒ Compulsory for new staff from 2021, expanding from Technical Center (Tokyo-Kodaira)

\*DS: Data Scientist

## HR & organizational strategy as enablers for Mid Term Business Plan: New HR system (Japan)

- Optimal allocation & opportunities for the diverse talent empowering our evolution toward a sustainable solutions company
  - Provide opportunities and support teammates who are proactive in their career development and self growth

#### ■ Start of talent matching system:

- Job-based employment:
  - •Started with positions requiring advanced expertise/skills Applied to 15 positions such as in digital and legal/intellectual property divisions. ⇒Expand to 20 positions by end of 2021
  - •Expand application to manager positions (approx. 150 positions)
- Open-posting system:
  - •For positions that are challenging and require expertise, clarify role/responsibilities/expectations, and openly recruit talent. Motivated teammates can apply and be selected regardless of their current title

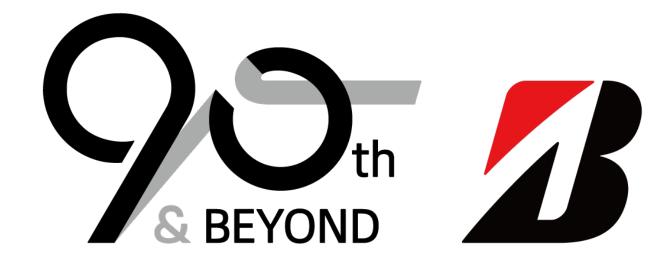


- Job-matching system: Teammates register their skills & experiences, and are allocated to positions which leverage them
- Job-based Recruitment: start from recruitment activity in 2021

#### ■ Promote Diversity & Inclusion:

- Develop & appoint diverse talent to achieve the Mid Term Business Plan and looking beyond
- Joined **The Valuable 500**, a global movement to promote inclusion and opportunity for people with disabilities Aim for great place to work that encourages diversity and empowers all teammate
- Steps to advance female representation at management levels: promote appointment / recruitment of female managers, building mentor system or other support system as challenges requiring immediate attention

## 2021



2<sup>nd</sup> Year of Bridgestone 3.0, the "Third Foundation"



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