

**Preferred Networks, Inc. (PFN)** is a technology company with the mission: "Make the real world computable and create the future together." PFN develops advanced software and hardware technologies through a vertically integrated approach, covering the entire AI value chain—from chips and supercomputers to generative AI foundation models, solutions, and products for a wide range of industries. Founded in 2014 in Tokyo, PFN is currently developing the MN-Core™ series of AI processors, the PFCP™ cloud service for AI computing, the Japan-made large language model PLaMo™, and solutions for multiple industries.

### **Quick Facts**

Headquarters Otemachi Building, 1-6-1, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan

Founded March 26, 2014

**Business** Research, development and sales of software, hardware and network technologies

that incorporate Al and other advanced technologies

**Subsidiaries** Preferred Robotics, Inc., Matlantis Corporation, Preferred Computing

Infrastructure, Inc.

**Employees** Approx. 400

**Website** https://www.preferred.jp

# **Board of Directors**

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## **Technical Advisors**

Kenji Fukumizu Professor at Institute of Mathematical Analysis and Statistical Inference

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#### **Investors**

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#### **PFN Values**

PFN's code of conduct is summarized in five items.

Learn or Die Beyond Customer Think Big, Be Proactive Respect & Unite Expectations Act Quick