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Mirai Creation Fund III Invests in FOODCODE, Operator of the App-Only Curry Shop TOKYO MIX CURRY

—Leveraging data and technology to revolutionize productivity in the restaurant industry—

TOKYO—August 6, 2024—SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (SPARX; TSE Prime: 8739) today announced that its Mirai Creation Fund III—established in October 2021—invested in FOODCODE, LTD.

■ Portfolio Company Profile

FOODCODE runs the app-only curry shop TOKYO MIX CURRY, engaging in all aspects from platform development, curry development and production, and store operations. It achieves high profitability by leveraging data and technology to increase efficiency in attracting repeat and new users and operating restaurants with low labor and rent ratios. It aims to revolutionize productivity in the restaurant industry by offering its platform and DX expertise to other restaurants.

■ Mirai Creation Funds I, II, and III Summaries

The Mirai Creation Fund I began operations in November 2015 with financing of JPY 13.5 billion from three companies: Toyota Motor Corporation, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, and SPARX, the Fund's general partner. Ultimately, the Fund received contributions from 20 companies, including the above three. Casting intelligent technologies, robotics, and hydrogen-economy technologies as vital to the future, Fund I has invested in approximately 50 companies and projects—from the US, the UK, Israel, Singapore, and Japan—that possess innovations in these fields. In H2 2018, SPARX began managing the Mirai Creation Fund II, which targets the three existing Mirai Creation fields along with the two additional areas of electrification and new materials. In October 2021, SPARX launched the Mirai Creation Fund III with SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of SPARX, acting as its fund manager, adding carbon neutrality to the five fields of the Mirai Creation Fund II. As of June 28, 2024, the combined AUM for Funds I, II, and III were JPY 115.6billion.
Mirai Creation Fund investment track record: https://mirai.sparx.co.jp/en/investment/

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