



JETRO's Role in Creating Business Opportunities with Uzbekistan

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Uzbekistan Pavilion Expo 2025 Osaka

1 | Outline of JETRO

■ Name:

Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)

■ Established:

October 1, 2003
(originally established in 1958)

■ Representative:

Norihiko Ishiguro, Chairman of the Board

■ Location:

ARK Mori Building, 1-12-32 Akasaka,
Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-6006, Japan

■ Number of offices

Japan:

- Headquarters (Tokyo), Osaka
- Institute of Developing Economies,
- Japan Food Product Overseas Promotion Center (JFOODO)
- 49 regional offices

Overseas:

76 offices in 56 countries

■ Website

<https://www.jetro.go.jp>

2 | JETRO's domestic and international network

- In Japan, JETRO has offices in all prefectures. Widespread network of offices in various regions abroad.
- Tashkent office was established in 2000. It covers Uzbekistan and other Central Asian countries.

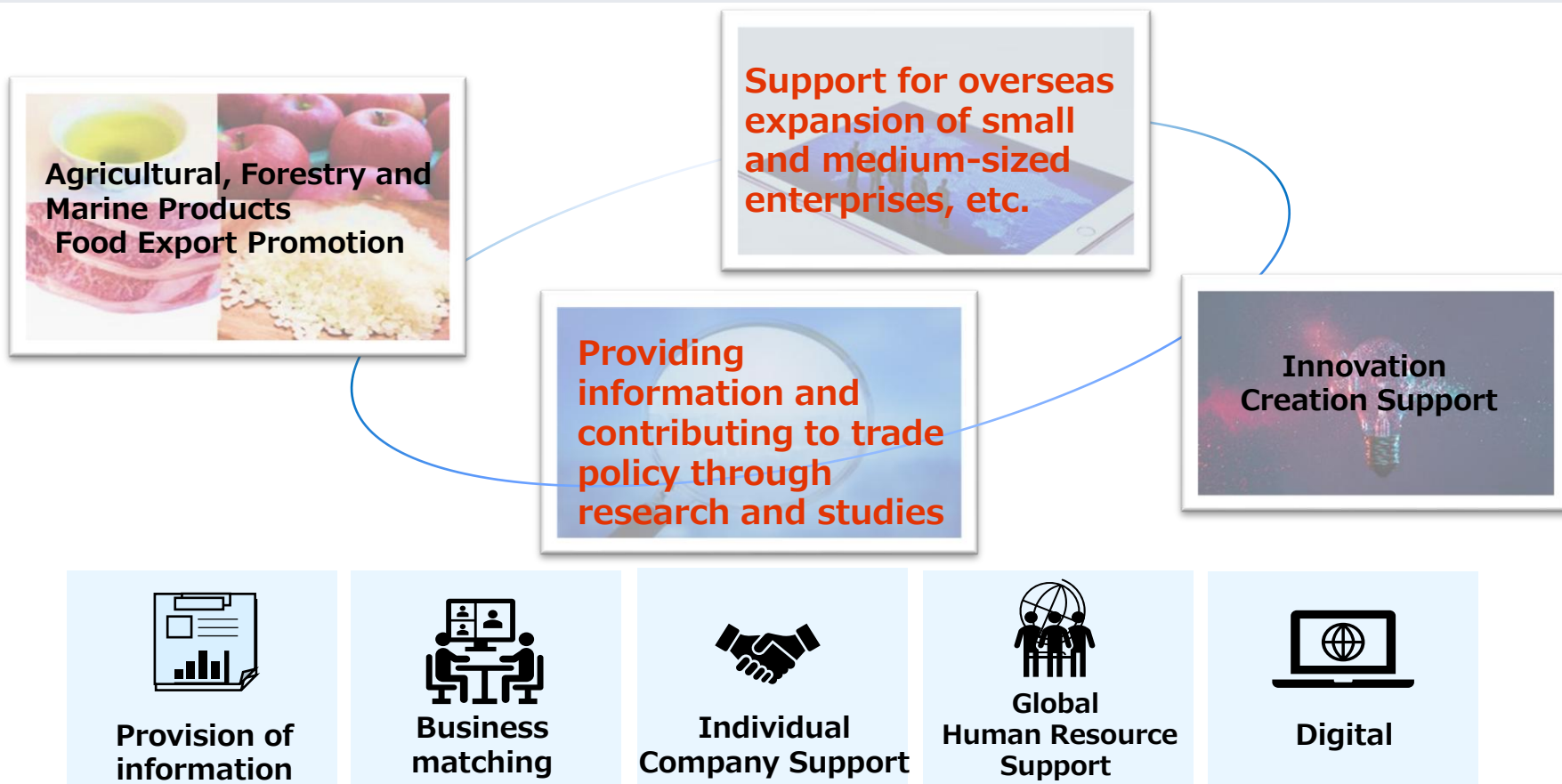
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Trade Information Center 49 offices**

**Overseas offices:
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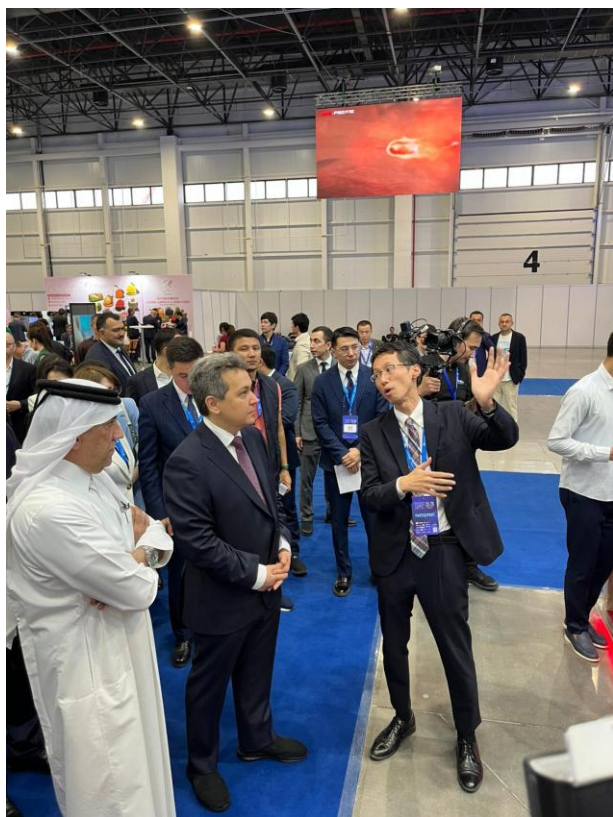
3 | JETRO's four focus areas

- Supporting the creation of innovation through the promotion of inbound investment and startup exchanges, and assisting small and medium-sized enterprises, etc., to expand overseas and facilitating the activities of companies operating locally.
- Provides Japanese companies with overseas business information. Contributing to the improvement of the business environment and trade policy of Japanese government.



4 | JETRO's activities in Uzbekistan

- JETRO organized a Japan Pavilion at ICT Week Uzbekistan 2025 in Tashkent, showcasing advanced technologies and solutions from Japanese IT companies and startups.
- JETRO plans to organize a Japan Pavilion at ICT Week Uzbekistan 2026, featuring eight Japanese companies and further promoting bilateral business and technology cooperation.
- JETRO also hosted a webinar on Uzbekistan's ICT business environment in May and a startup pitch seminar in August 2026.



Minister Sherzod Shermatov Visits the Japan Pavilion
Photo by JETRO

5 | JETRO's Activities in Uzbekistan

■ Uzbekistan IT Mission (February 2025)

14 Japanese companies explored Uzbekistan's ICT ecosystem through visits to government agencies, IT Park, and leading educational institutions.

■ Pharmaceutical Industry Mission (November 2025)

Six pharmaceutical SMEs from Nara Prefecture visited Uzbekistan to explore business opportunities.



Deputy Minister Rustam Karimjonov with the IT Mission Delegation



Group Photo at the Medical and Pharmaceutical Industry Development Agency of Uzbekistan

(Photo by JETRO)

6 | JETRO's activities in Uzbekistan

- In response to the diversification of Japanese companies entering the market, JETRO provides reports on various systems and regulations in Uzbekistan. In addition, JETRO regularly introduces articles and updates on Uzbekistan's business environment to Japanese companies.

- ✓ Guide to setting up a corporation or representative office in Uzbekistan
- ✓ Guide to obtaining work permits/work visas for foreigners in Uzbekistan
- ✓ Guide to Taxation of Representative Offices and Foreign Capital Companies in Uzbekistan
- ✓ Guide to Uzbekistan's Business Environment

The screenshot displays two JETRO reports. The top report is titled 'ウズベキスタン拠点（法人および駐在員事務所）設立ガイド（2026年1月）' (Uzbekistan Point of Entry (Incorporation and Representative Office Establishment Guide) (January 2026)). It includes a table of contents with 11 items, such as '図表1: 投資活動の種類と内容' (Table 1: Types and content of investment activities) and '図表11: 駐在員事務所設立に必要な書類リスト' (Table 11: List of documents required for representative office establishment). The bottom report is titled 'ウズベキスタンにおける外国人労働許可／労働ビザ取得手続きガイド（2026年1月）' (Uzbekistan Foreign Labor Permit/Work Visa Acquisition Guide (January 2026)). It includes a table of contents with 9 items, such as '図表1: 外国人就労権利確認書の取得手続き（ステップ別）' (Table 1: Acquisition process of foreign employment rights confirmation certificate (by steps)) and '図表9: 滞在登録制度違反に対する処罰（根拠条文・罰金）' (Table 9: Penalties for violation of the stay registration system (basis of law and fine)).

Reports are available on JETRO's website.

7 | JETRO's activities in Uzbekistan

- JETRO co-hosted the Japan-Uzbekistan Roundtable with the Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan and METI in Tokyo on December 19, 2025.
- The event brought together around 150 participants from government and business sectors, highlighting the growing economic partnership between Japan and Uzbekistan.
- As an outcome of the roundtable, multiple cooperation documents between Japanese and Uzbek organizations were presented.



the Japan-Uzbekistan Roundtable Photo by JETRO

8 | JETRO's activities in Uzbekistan

- JETRO signed two memoranda of understanding (MOUs) with Uzbek partners on December 17, 2025
- JETRO and IT Park Uzbekistan signed an MOU on comprehensive collaboration and cooperation to support the international expansion of IT companies and startups in both countries and foster a stronger partnership.
- JETRO, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and the Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan (MIIT) signed a trilateral MOU on “The Data Collection Survey on Industrial Development in The Republic of Uzbekistan”



MOU Signing Ceremony
(JETRO × IT Park Uzbekistan)
Photo by JETRO



Uzbekistan Investment Seminar (May), co-hosted by JICA and JETRO.
Photo by Deloitte Tohmatsu (event management contractor).

9 | Planned Business Mission to Uzbekistan

- JETRO is planning to organize a business mission to Uzbekistan around February-March 2027
 - Organizer: JETRO
 - Tentative Period: February-March 2027
 - Expected Location : Major industrial zones and investment sites in Uzbekistan
 - Target: Japanese manufacturers, trading houses,
and other companies interested in business opportunities in Uzbekistan
 - Objectives:
 - ✓ Gain first-hand insights into Uzbekistan's industrial and investment environment
 - ✓ Explore business and partnership opportunities with local companies
 - ✓ Promote future investment and business expansion by Japanese companies

Thank you for your attention !

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