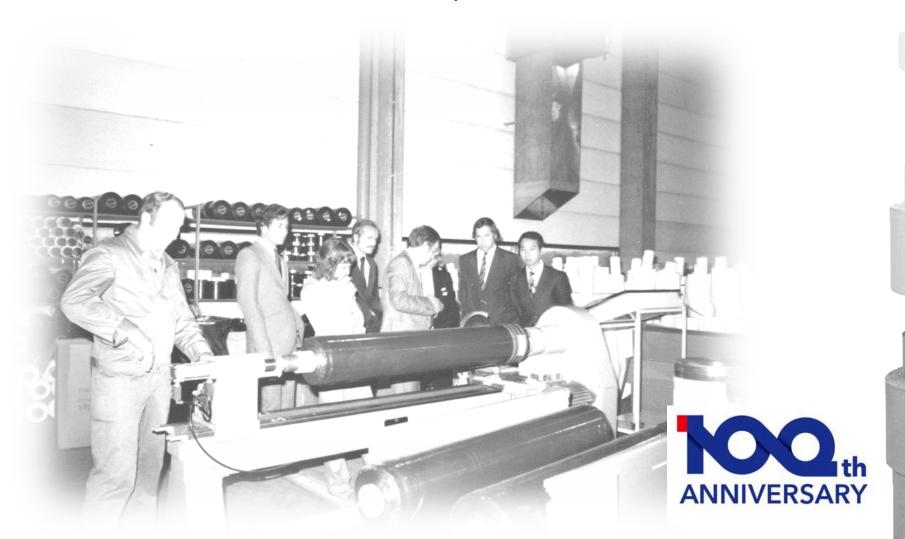
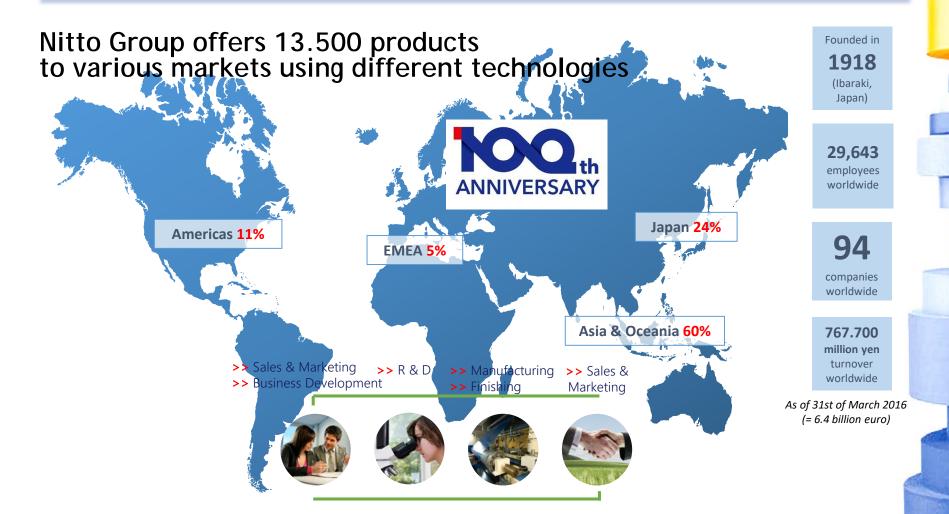


# Vertical Integration

Afera Tape Conference - October, Turin



#### The Nitto Group - global reach, local presence



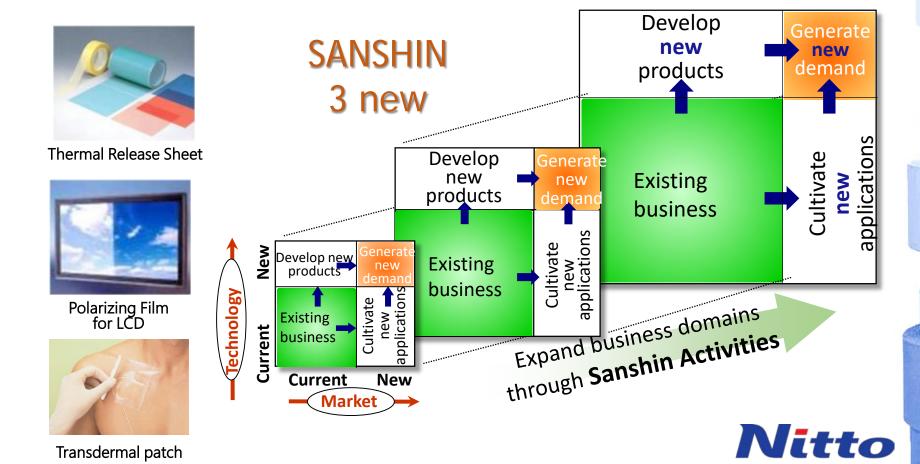
#### Nitto Selected as Top 100 Global Innovator by Clarivate Analytics

Nitto's President commented "I am honored to have received such a **distinguished prize for the sixth consecutive year**. This year's award is the result of the fusion between our business strategy and our intellectual property strategy. We will continue to enhance the value of our intellectual property, practice "Innovation for Customers", and strive to maximize corporate value."



# Sanshin strategy

- Capitalizing the characteristics of the existing business
- Technology and Marketing functions engage in continuously developing the business



Innovation for Customers

# Customer insights → Speed to market

Early days – Very traditional way of doing business









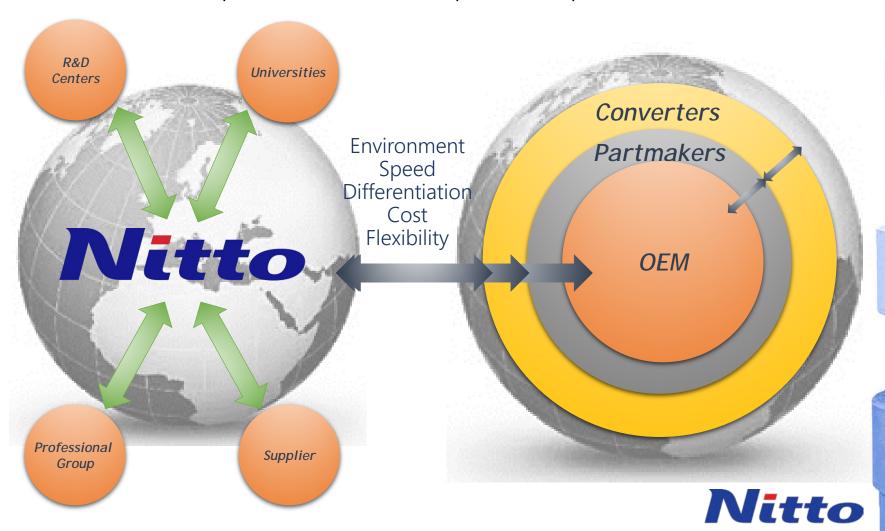


Coating

processing

# Customer insights → Speed to market ok?

 Nowadays – Deep knowledge of the total supply chain & Up- and downstream partnerships



Innovation for Customers

### Some examples



Green flame retardant Specialised testing expertise



Reduction of CO2 emission by creation of new solvent emulsion

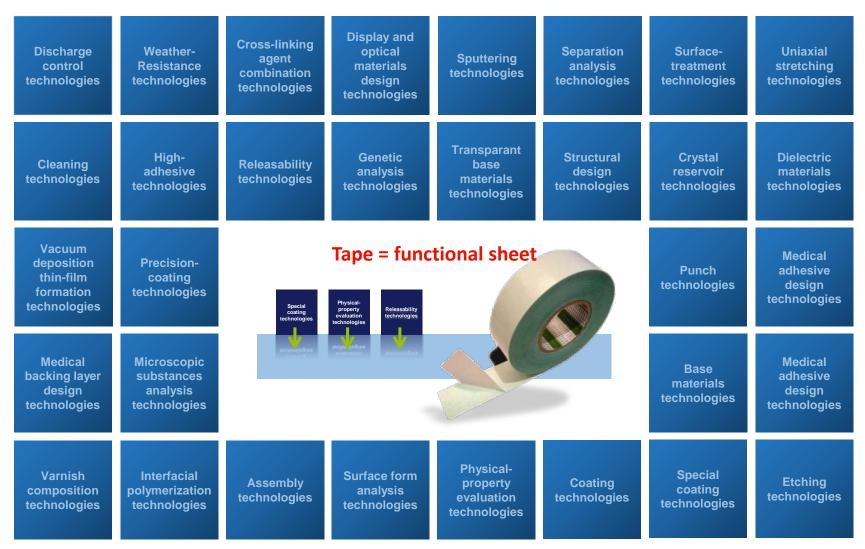




Automation by tape application systems



# Technology platform



Combination of technologies creates new functions



# Sustainable development in need for partners

Argentina





# Is this a threat or an opportunity?

## CHANGE THE MINDSET from supplier to end customer

- R&D
- Sales
- Production
- Purchasing...



• Define the functionality:













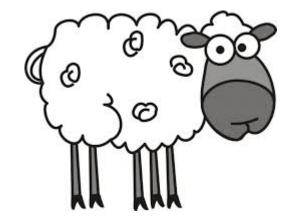


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# Vertical integration (2.0) over total supply chain

What is the key to success?

- Consider cultural differences
- Balance between innovation & disclosure
  - Non-disclosure agreements
  - Joint developments
  - intellectual property







Thank you for your attention

