



IIJ Global

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IIJ Global Solutions won the triple crown of Palo Alto Networks Partner Award 2024

TOKYO, JAPAN, Mar 19, 2025 — IIJ Global Solutions Inc. (Representative Director, President: Yoshinobu Inoue, hereafter referred to as IIJ Global), a 100% subsidiary of Internet Initiative Japan Inc. (IIJ), today announced it has received both Palo Alto Networks “JAPAN NextWave Partner of the Year” and “JAPAN SASE Partner of the Year” at partner event in January 2025.

IIJ Global has won the triple crown including JAPAC CYBERFORCE Champion Award (*) in November.

*Note: Press Release Dated February 12, 2025 “IIJ Global Solutions Awarded the Palo Alto Networks JAPAC CYBERFORCE Champion Award 2024” https://www.iijglobal.co.jp/en/news/2025/press_20250212_e.html

Since receiving the "JAPAC SASE Partner of the Year" award in 2020, given to partners who achieved significant success in the sales of Prisma® Access, IIJ Global has received various partner awards every year. In addition to winning the "JAPAN SASE Partner of the Year" award again this year, it was honored with the "JAPAN NextWave Partner of the Year" award for the first time. The company was recognized for its detailed proposals based on its exceptional expertise and operational achievements on Palo Alto Networks products, leading to the success on numerous projects and significant growth in domestic business.

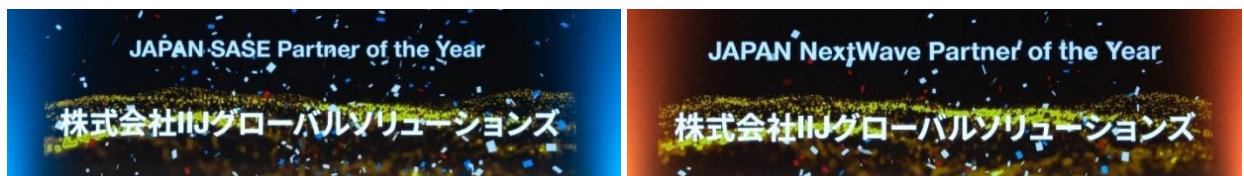
As a strategic partner of Palo Alto Networks, IIJ Global is expanding and enhancing the product lineup to further deliver the value of the Platformization approach endorsed by Palo Alto Networks, which aims to integrate and strengthen security functionality and simplify operations. In the network security domain, IIJ Global became the first "SP Interconnect" partner in the Asia-Pacific region in 2024, and started offering a service that allows direct connection to Prisma® Access from Japan's largest and most reliable internet backbone operated by IIJ. In the security operations domain, IIJ Global earned "Cortex XSIAM Specialization" and "Cortex XSIAM Select" certifications given to partners with deep knowledge and high expertise in the AI-driven SOC operations platform "Cortex XSIAM." As the only partner in Japan^(*) with both certifications, it supports customers at every stage from selection of Cortex XSIAM to implementation and operation. (*As of end-February, 2025)

IIJ Global will continue to support customers' businesses by providing its skills in services and solutions that strongly support enterprise cloud transformation.

Hiroshi Alley, Chairman and President of Palo Alto Networks K.K.:

“Congratulations on receiving the 2024 Japan partner award. As the threat of cyber attacks grows more serious, stronger cyber security has become an integral part of any organization's transformation efforts. Through their extensive experience and customer networks, award-winning partners have worked hard to deliver new value to clients alongside Palo Alto Networks' advanced cybersecurity solutions. We look forward to working with IIJ Global as we continue to support organizations' growth strategies through the use of platformization to achieve better security outcomes, operational efficiencies, and optimize their security investments.”

• **Ceremony at Palo Alto Networks Partner Up 2025 Winter**



From left, Chairman and President of Palo Alto Networks Japan, Mr. Hiroshi Alley
Representative Director, President of IIJ Global, Mr. Yoshinobu Inoue
Senior Director ECO System of Palo Alto Networks Japan, Mr. Koji Suzuki

• Awards and Recognitions of IIJ Global

-2020:

JAPAC SASE Partner of the Year

-2021:

JAPAN SASE Partner of the Year

-2022:

GLOBAL SASE Partner of the Year

JAPAN CYBERFORCE Partner of the Year

-2023:

JAPAC SASE Partner of the Year

-2024:

JAPAN NextWave Partner of the Year

JAPAN SASE Partner of the Year

JAPAC CYBERFORCE Champion Award

- For more information on IIJ Global services, please visit <https://www.iijglobal.co.jp/service/global-sase/> (Only in Japanese)
- For more information on Palo Alto Networks, please visit <https://www.paloaltonetworks.com>

About IIJ Global

IIJ Global Solutions Inc. (IIJ Global) was established in September 2010 as a subsidiary of the IIJ Group following the acquisition of AT&T Japan's local Network Outsourcing service business. IIJ Global offers a comprehensive range of services including WAN Connectivity and Total Network Outsourcing, covering everything from design to management of corporate networks. Beyond serving domestic markets, IIJ Global also provides Global network services and has expanded its offerings to include network security solutions tailored for enterprises, such as Secure Access Service Edge (SASE). For more information about IIJ Global and its services, please visit our website at <https://www.iijglobal.co.jp/en/>.

About IIJ

Founded in 1992, IIJ is one of Japan's leading Internet-access and comprehensive network solutions providers. IIJ and its group companies provide total network solutions that mainly cater to high-end corporate customers. IIJ's services include high-quality Internet connectivity services, systems integration, cloud computing services, security services and mobile services. Moreover, IIJ has built one of the largest Internet backbone networks in Japan that is connected to the United States, the United Kingdom and Asia. IIJ was listed on the Prime Market of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 2022.

For more information about IIJ, visit the IIJ Web site at <https://www.iij.ad.jp/en/>.

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