

September 4, 2017 SPREAD Co., Ltd.

## Techno Farm<sup>™</sup> Will Be on Display at the 4<sup>th</sup> AGRI NEXT, Japan's Leading Agricultural Technology Expo.

Kyoto, Japan - September 4, 2017 - SPREAD Co., Ltd. (www.spread.co.jp/en) will be exhibiting its next-generation indoor vertical farm, *Techno Farm<sup>TM</sup>*, at Makuhari Messe in Chiba from October 11 to 13, 2017 at the 4<sup>th</sup> Next Generation Agriculture Expo Tokyo (AGRI NEXT), held within AGRI WORLD 2017, Japan's leading agricultural technology expo (organized by Reed Exhibitions Japan Ltd.)

The booth will introduce the technology that will enable the *Techno Farm*<sup>™</sup> to be the world's first large-scale indoor farm employing automated cultivation system when the initial farm, named Techno Farm Keihanna (located in Kizugawa, Kyoto) is completed in 2018. The display will outline potential business models for the farm's application and offer 3DCG video that provides a glimpse of the cultivation environment and automated processes. Visitors to the booth may also utilize the seating area to discuss potential business arrangements directly with CEO Shinji Inada and the other staff on site.

On Friday, October 13, Mr. Inada will offer his perspective in a lecture titled, "How Japan's indoor vertical farms can succeed globally," which will introduce his vision for how Japan can improve its competitiveness in the indoor vertical farming industry which continues its rapid global expansion.

This is the perfect opportunity to learn more about the  $Techno\ Farm^{TM}$  technology and details about its business model, and we look forward to meeting all visitors at the booth.

\*Please refer to the AGRI WORLD 2017 website for more information on attending the expo and the lecture (presented in Japanese)



## **News Release**



Illustration of the exhibition booth

<Exhibit Overview>

Exhibition : 4<sup>th</sup> Next Generation Agriculture Expo Tokyo (AGRI NEXT)

(Held within AGRI WORLD 2017)

Date : October 11 (Wed) – 13 (Fri), 2017

Visiting hours : 10:00 - 18:00 \*10:00 - 17:00 on October 13 (Fri)

Venue : Makuhari Messe (Hall 6)

Booth location : 40-22

URL: www.agritechjapan.jp/en/tokyo

◆ Techno Farm<sup>™</sup>



Representing the next generation of vertical farming, *Techno Farm<sup>TM</sup>* builds on SPREAD's original indoor vertical farming technology to provide a further improved model for stable production in any climate. SPREAD has been working closely with Japanese technology companies to co-develop an automated cultivation system, water recycling and environmental control technologies, specialized LED lighting and IoT/AI technology with the aim of reducing both operating costs and environmental impact.

\*SPREAD will be releasing updated website for *Techno Farm* $^{TM}$  in the near future.



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