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"A-BANK Corporation (Founder&CEO: Naohisa Shoji) held the first idea-thon for students and international students at **【A-STUDIO】**. The theme is **【X UNDER COVID】**. The call for ideas to transform daily life into a convenient and affluent life amidst the COVID disaster is now open.

A project that transcends borders and racial barriers, [X UNDER COVID].

A-BANK Inc. (President: Naohisa Shoji, hereinafter referred to as "the Company"), which operates the new service development support "A-STUDIO" using the high-speed no-code development service "A-CODERS" by students and international students studying in advanced science and technology fields in Japan, has launched the first idea contest for students and international students enrolled in technical colleges, universities, and graduate schools in Japan. "A-STUDIO" will hold the first ideathon for students and international students enrolled in technical colleges, universities and graduate schools in Japan. We will also promote this project to overseas and encourage overseas students to participate.

The theme of the first ideathon organized by our company is "X UNDER COVID". Applicants are free to define "X" in any way they like, and we are looking for ideas that will transform daily life in COVID into a convenient and safe, for instance. Applicants are also welcome to develop their own prototypes and submit them for consideration. Please note that your idea must work on the Internet.

The submitted ideas will be evaluated by us after an online presentation. As a result of the evaluation, the selected idea will be quickly developed as a Minimum Value Product (MVP) by A-CODERS, a group of students and international

students, using NoCode, and will be eligible to receive business development support from us. In principle, the target market for business development is Japan, but this can be discussed on a case-by-case basis.

Applications and inquiries can be made through our website "X UNDER COVID" at <https://automatist-bank.ai/archives/2617>.

This project is designed to break through the sense of stagnation in society with the help of young people in the face of the uncertainty of the COVID disaster. Also, based on the idea that innovation is born from diversity, we have prepared an English-speaking environment and recruited both Japanese and non-Japanese students.

We look forward to receiving many practical and creative ideas from students in Japan and abroad, inspired by things around them.

A-STUDIO:"X UNDER COVID" will continue until the end of the COVID disaster in Japan, and the first deadline will be August 31, 2021.

Through A-STUDIO, we will continue to bring new services and ventures to the world with less cost and time.

The website of A-BANK Inc. is here: <https://automatist-bank.ai>

If you have any questions, please contact us at the above site or at this email address: shoji@automatist.ai