



The Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center (TOSBEC) is a one-stop consultation service desk to help completing necessary procedures for establishing a company. The national government and Tokyo Metropolitan Government jointly operate this center. In addition to Akasaka, there are also satellite centers in Shibuya and Marunouchi.

This time we are interviewing Ren Iwashita, who at first couldn't imagine to be an entrepreneur, ended up establishing a K.K. (Kabushiki Kaisha) company to run an English school after unexpected turns in his life.



Relay Interview



Originally, I didn't have strong passion for making my own company.

Originally, I didn't even think about starting up my own company. However, after I worked in a stable major company, I found a reality where I hardly had freedom to turn my ideas into actions. It was hard for me to find positive meanings in the situation. The situation and the state of my mind lead to the motivation as an entrepreneur.

But I had neither business skills nor experiences for starting up a business. So I decided to work in an IT startup to get the experience necessary for starting my business. The main business of the company is to introduce VR technologies in business fields. My role was to do anything necessary for the success of clients. In a way, I needed to set up business from scratch. It made me acquire many experiences which I couldn't have otherwise. However, a chance to make my own business came to me out of the blue.

I found the Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center (TOSBEC) when I was tired the procedures required for setting up a company.

My partner originally started the project of English school as a sole proprietor after she quit her company. The business brought in more students than she expected, and it was hard for her to run the school on her own. Since I had been supporting her from the beginning, I decided to leave my company and concentrate on managing the English school. At that point, it made more sense to establish a K.K. company to develop the English school business further. We were also ready to use my experiences in IT company and provide total consulting services for making homepage, improving SEO, and managing WEB advertisement. But we found out it actually takes a lot of efforts to establish a K.K. company. It also costs around 250 thousand yen. Since we wanted to save the initial cost as much as possible, we decided to electronically process a certificate of incorporation, which saves us 40 to 50 thousand yen.



Pom Study, LLC President and Chief Executive Officer Iwashita Ren Profile/ He graduated from the University of Tokyo majoring International Sustainable Agricultural Development. After graduation, he worked as a MR for 2 years in a pharmaceutical company. He gradually started to be motivated for starting up a company. He found a new job at an IT startup and accumulated knowledge for a future career as an entrepreneur. After a year and half, he left the company after he saw the English school project was developing. On January 2020, he established Pom Study, LLC.

When I searched online on how to establish a company, I learned about Tokyo One-Stop Business Establishment Center (TOSBEC) where I can apply for electrical certificate of incorporation, and I can finish registration in one place. I visited their satellite center in Shibuya on January 9th this year. I was still skeptical if such convenient place existed.

I don't know what I did if I didn't find One Stop Center.

After I visited the satellite center, I heard I could get advices from experts and start process for registering my company immediately if I go to their center in Akasaka. So I went there right away.

In the first consultation, I received application documents for registering company, and the experts taught me how to fill them out. I made documents ready and visited them for the second time. At the second visit, I finished my company registration right away at one stop. That was surprisingly speedy, and I don't know what I did if I couldn't find One Stop Center. Maybe it took much longer time if I didn't go there. That was extremely helpful.



Quick Advice

When you establish a company, there are many application documents. It is hard to know how and what information you should put in the documents as a beginner. One Stop Center can teach you in a practical and easy manner. I recommend consulting with them before starting on your own.

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