

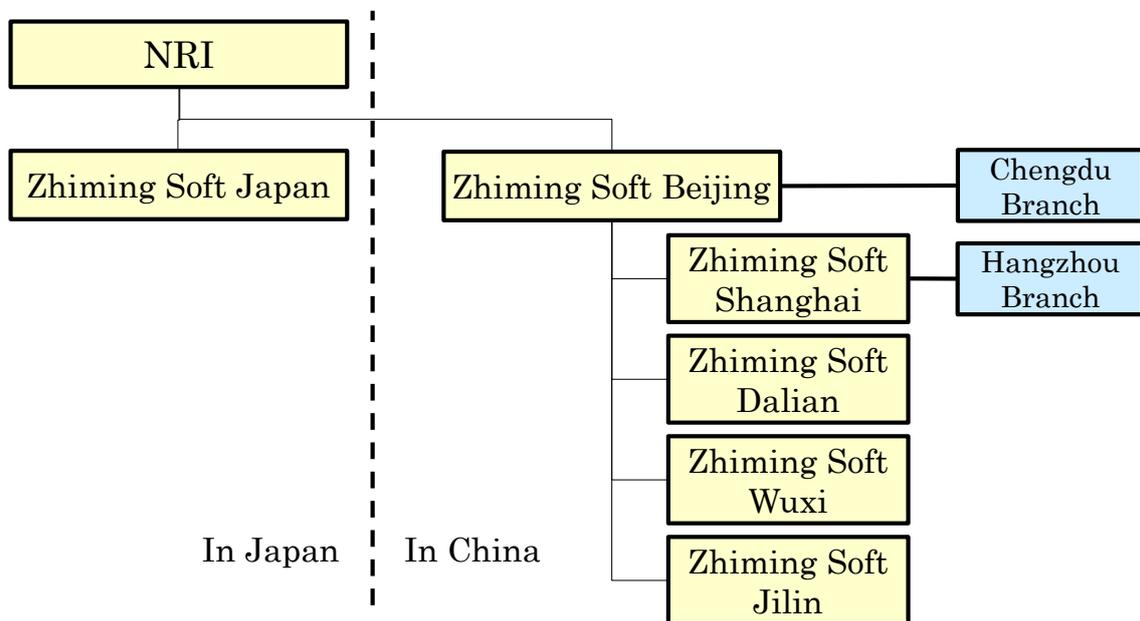
News Release

Nomura Research Institute to establish Zhiming Software with acquisition of SinoCom Software’s IT development business

TOKYO, October 29, 2015 - Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI), a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, announced that it successfully acquired certain segments of IT business of SinoCom Software Group Limited, which had been one of NRI’s major offshore partners in China. The acquisition was completed on October 28, 2015, based on the agreement placed on June 17, 2015.

With acquired business segments, NRI founded Zhiming Software on the same day. Zhiming Software consists of 1,300 employees and six business entities both in China and Japan. As a result of this acquisition, the number of NRI group’s employees has now exceeded 10,000.

Figure: Structural Overview of NRI and Zhiming Software Companies



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ABOUT NRI

Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (headquartered in Tokyo, Chairman and President & CEO, Member of the Board: Tadashi Shimamoto) is an independent, global IT solutions and consulting services provider with annual sales of 405.9 billion yen as of FY ended March 2015. Leveraging NRI's global consulting business, NRI is able to provide innovative IT solutions for investment banks, asset managers, banks, insurance providers, retailers and distributors. For more information please visit www.nri.com.

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Company Overview of Zhiming Software Beijing

Company	Zhiming Software Beijing, Ltd.
Locations	HQ: Beijing, Branch: Chengdu
Subsidiaries	Zhiming Software Shanghai, Ltd. (HQ: Shanghai, Branch: Hangzhou) Zhiming Software Dalian, Ltd. (Dalian) Zhiming Software Wuxi, Ltd. (Wuxi) Zhiming Software Jilin, Ltd. (Jilin)
Founded on	October 28, 2015
Shareholder	Zhiming Software Holdings (BVI), Ltd.
Representative	Takaaki Toki

N of employees	Around 1,100 employees in the 5 companies in China
Principal Activities	Subsidiaries Management, Software development services and technical support services

Company Overview of Zhiming Software Japan

Company	Zhiming Software Japan, Ltd.
Locations	Tokyo
Founded on	October 28, 2015
Shareholder	Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.
Representative	Osamu Itakura
N of employees	Around 200 employees
Principal Activities	Software development services and technical support services