

# MONEX GROUP

## Announcement of Subsidiary's Release

TOKYO, January 27, 2021 – Monex, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Monex Group, Inc., issued the following press release today.

Attachment: Summary of Monex, Inc. press release

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## **Monex Entered into a Basic Agreement of Business Partnership with Aplus** **Launching “Monex Card,” an Affiliate Credit Card**

TOKYO, January 27, 2021 - Monex, Inc. (Representative Director and President: Yuko Seimei, hereinafter “Monex”) announced that it had entered into a Basic Agreement of Business Partnership with Aplus Co., Ltd. (Representative Director and President: Tetsuro Shimizu, hereinafter “Aplus”), a Shinsei Bank Group company, with the aim of developing collaboration in financial services between the two parties. As part of the agreement, Monex Card will be launched in the spring of 2021, through which customers can earn Monex Points and invest in periodic payment plans for mutual funds.

### ■ Background

Monex has required customers to hold mutual funds or trade stocks in order to earn Monex Points. Monex Card will make another way of earning Monex Points by providing the points based on the payment with Monex Cards.

With this initiative, Aplus will further expand its customer base by providing better financial services in accordance with the “Growth through Value Co-Creation”, one of Aplus’s core strategies in the mid-term strategies.

Through this business alliance, both Monex and Aplus aim to create synergies and provide financial services that are suitable for customers’ needs.

### ■ Overview

Customers are able to accumulate Monex Points depending on the amount of payments they make with the credit card.

[Overview of the Monex Card<sup>(\*)</sup>]

Name of the Card	Monex Card
Annual Fee	Free for the first year. From the second year, 550 yen including tax. *Annual fee will be waived if the card is used more than once a year.
Points Offered	One Monex Point is given for every 100-yen payment made with the credit card.
Timing of the Launch	Spring 2021
Note for card application	- Only customers with Monex accounts are eligible. - Applications will be accepted after screening.

\*1 Tentative specifications of the card; subject to change before launch.

### ■ **About Monex Points**

Monex Points are earned through stock trading or mutual funds. Points can be used to pay stock trading commissions or to exchange with cryptocurrencies through Coincheck Inc., a Monex Group company. Customers can also exchange Monex Points with points offered by affiliated companies to enjoy shopping, dining and leisure.