

## Buying cars at competitive prices to supply quality vehicles for auctions is an integral component of the USS business model

USS purchases vehicles directly from end users in order to maintain a steady supply of quality automobiles for the auction business. By offering attractive prices for vehicles, the purchasing business meets the expectations of customers and maximizes the number of vehicles acquired. USS Co., Ltd. Executive Officer Rabbit Car Network Co., Ltd. President and Representative Directo Hiroshi Kojima





## SWOT Analysis

Strength	<ul> <li>A business model closely linked to USS auctions</li> <li>An outstanding vehicle appraisal system using an exclusive USS methodology incorporating the massive volume of data at the USS Group</li> <li>A widely recognized brand in the used car purchasing market</li> <li>Consistently high customer satisfaction</li> </ul>	Weakness	<ul> <li>Digital transformation delays for increasing efficiency, web marketing and other activities</li> </ul>
Opportunity	<ul> <li>A stable auction market due to steady demand for exports of used vehicles from Japan</li> <li>Strong demand in other countries for used vehicles made in Japan</li> <li>New ways to use preowned vehicle inventories for services generating a steady income, such as leases and subscriptions</li> </ul>	Threat	<ul> <li>New car sales are decreasing as people choose leases, subscriptions, sharing and other ways to use a vehicle.</li> <li>The result is a longer cycle for the replacement of automobiles.</li> </ul>

## Strategies

[Ensure a consistent supply of quality vehicles for auctions]

- Increase opportunities to contact end users by opening more stores
- Recruit and train people to upgrade vehicle appraisal skills; pass on know-how to younger employees
   Create stores that people select over others as competition becomes even more intense
- (Effective PR activities to raise awareness/Employee training to strengthen store services/ More franchised stores to increase procurement channels)