Under its mission to "*Make the real world computable and create the future together,*" **Preferred Networks, Inc. (PFN)** develops software and hardware technologies through a vertically integrated approach that covers the entire AI value chain—from chips and supercomputers to generative AI foundation models, products and solutions across a wide range of industries. Founded in 2014 in Tokyo, PFN develops and provides the MN-Core™ series of AI processors, the PFCP™ cloud service for AI computing, and the Japan-made large language model PLaMo™.

Quick Facts

Headquarters	Otemachi Building, 1-6-1, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan
Founded	March 26, 2014
Business	Development, commercialization, and research of AI products and solutions, AI chips, computing infrastructure, and generative AI foundation models
Subsidiaries	Preferred Robotics, Inc., Matlantis Corporation, Preferred Computing Infrastructure, Inc.
Employees	Approx. 450
Website	https://www.preferred.jp

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PFN Values

PFN's code of conduct is summarized in five items.

Learn or Die	**Beyond Customer Expectations**	**Think Big, Act Quick**	**Be Proactive**	**Respect & Unite**