23 Sector: Professional Services

Sub-Sector:

Industry Classification: JSIC 7211 Lawyers' offices

Type of Reservation: Market Access (Article 46)

Level of Government: Central Government

Measures: Law on Special Measures Concerning the Handling of the Legal Business by Foreign Legal Consultant (Law No. 66 of 1986), Chapters 2 and 4

Description: A natural person who intends to supply foreign legal consultant services is required to be qualified as a foreign legal consultant under the laws and regulations of Japan ("Gaikoku-Ho-Jimu-Bengoshi") and to establish an office within the district of the local bar association to which the natural person belongs.

A foreign legal consultant under the laws and regulations of Japan is required to stay in Japan for not less than 180 days per year.

24 Sector: Professional Services

Sub-Sector:

Industry Classification: JSIC 7212 Patent attorneys' offices

Type of Reservation: Market Access (Article 46)

Level of Government: Central Government

Measures: Patent Attorney Law (Law No. 49 of 2000), Chapters 3, 6 and 8

Description: A natural person who intends to supply patent attorney services is required to be qualified as a patent attorney under the laws and regulations of Japan ("Benrishi").

An enterprise which intends to supply patent attorney services is required to establish a patent business corporation under the laws and regulations of Japan ("Tokkyo-Gyoumu-Hojin").