23	Sector:	Professional Services
	Sub-Sector:	
	Industry Classification:	JSIC 7211　Lawyers' offices
	Obligations Concerned:	Market access (Articles 8.7 and 8.15)
	Level of Government:	Central Government
	Measures:	Law on Special Measures Concerning the Handling of Legal Services by Foreign Lawyers (Law No. 66 of 1986), Chapters 2, 4 and 5

Description: Investment liberalisation and Cross-border trade in services

1. A natural person who intends to supply legal advisory services concerning foreign laws is required to be qualified as a registered foreign lawyer under the laws and regulations of Japan ("Gaikokuho-Jimu-Bengoshi") and to establish an office within the district of the local bar association to which the natural person belongs.
2. Gaikokuho-Jimu-Bengoshi under the laws and regulations of Japan is required to stay in Japan for not less than 180 days per year.
3. An enterprise which intends to supply legal advisory services concerning foreign laws is required to establish a registered foreign lawyer corporation under the laws and regulations of Japan ("Gaikokuho-Jimu-Bengoshi-Hojin").