

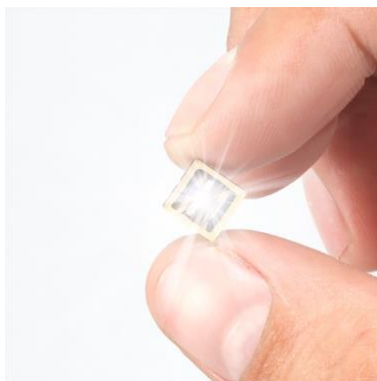
## Press Information

### **Kyocera executes share purchase agreement with Ushio Inc. for semiconductor laser device business**

**Kyoto/London, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026.** Kyocera Corporation entered into a share purchase agreement with Ushio Inc. regarding Ushio's laser diode business. Under the agreement, Ushio will establish a new company and transfer its laser diode business to the new company through an absorption-type company split. Kyocera will then acquire all shares of the new company. The share acquisition is scheduled for April 1, 2027.

#### **Background and purpose**

KYOCERA SLD Laser, Inc. is a US-based subsidiary of Kyocera that operates a laser diode business specializing in gallium nitride technology. Currently, KSLD is developing RGB laser diodes for automotive road projection<sup>1</sup>, as well as augmented reality glasses and related devices for the metaverse.



**Kyocera's laser diode module**

RGB laser diodes consist of blue, green, and red light sources. KSLD has deep expertise in blue and green laser diodes using gallium nitride substrates, however it lacks sufficient in-house capabilities to develop red laser diodes based on gallium arsenide substrates. To address this technology gap, Kyocera has explored various opportunities, including collaborations with external companies and strategic partnerships.

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<sup>1</sup> Automotive road projection refers to a technology that uses a vehicle-mounted light source to project information such as driving directions and warnings onto the road's surface, improving visibility and safety for pedestrians and other vehicles.

Ushio's laser diode business, which supplies competitive gallium arsenide-based red laser products and technologies, will join the Kyocera Group and reinforce the technological foundation of Kyocera's RGB laser diodes. The integration of Ushio's laser business will accelerate Kyocera's product development across a range of fields, including automotive applications and the metaverse, and advance next-generation imaging and display technologies to create innovative user experiences and bring new benefits for society.



**Kyocera's laser flashlight**



**Ushio laser diode product**

**Overview of Ushio Inc.**

Corporate name	<a href="#">Ushio Inc.</a>
Location	31F Sumitomo Fudosan Tokyo Mita Garden Tower, 3-5-19, Mita, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan
President and CEO	Takabumi Asahi
Business overview	Manufacturing and sales of products related to the industrial process business, visual imaging business, life science business, and photonics solution business
Capital	105,602.60 Euro (as of March 31, 2025)
Established	March 1964

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## About Kyocera

Kyocera has been successful in Europe for over 50 years. From its European headquarters in Esslingen am Neckar, KYOCERA Europe GmbH operates 27 sites including manufacturing facilities, with products ranging from fine ceramics, automotive, semiconductor and optical components to components for medical products, industrial tools, LCDs, touch solutions, industrial printing components, and consumer goods such as kitchen and office products.

KYOCERA Europe GmbH is a company of the [KYOCERA Corporation](#) headquartered in Kyoto/Japan, a renowned supplier in semiconductor, industrial and automotive components as well as electronic components, printing and multifunction systems, smart energy systems, and communications technology. Kyocera is one of the most experienced technology producers, with more than 65 years of industry expertise. The Kyocera Group comprises 279 subsidiaries (31 March 2026). With around 73,800 employees, Kyocera generated net annual sales of around EUR 11.83 billion in the 2025/2026 fiscal year.

Kyocera is ranked 1,123 on Forbes magazine's 'Global 2000' list for 2025 and ranked as 'The 100 Most Sustainably Managed Companies in the World' according to the Wall Street Journal. For the fourth time Kyocera has received an A ranking on the CDP A List for their performance on climate change. Kyocera has also received a silver rating in the EcoVadis Sustainability Survey and was acknowledged as a 'Top 100 Global Innovator 2026' for the tenth time by Clarivate, being one of the world's leading innovators.

Kyocera also takes an active interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, a prominent international award, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation – established by Kyocera founder Dr Kazuo Inamori – to individuals worldwide who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind (equivalent to approximately €539,000 per prize category).

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