## **Value Creation Process**

DNA

DNA cultivated

over more than

100-year history

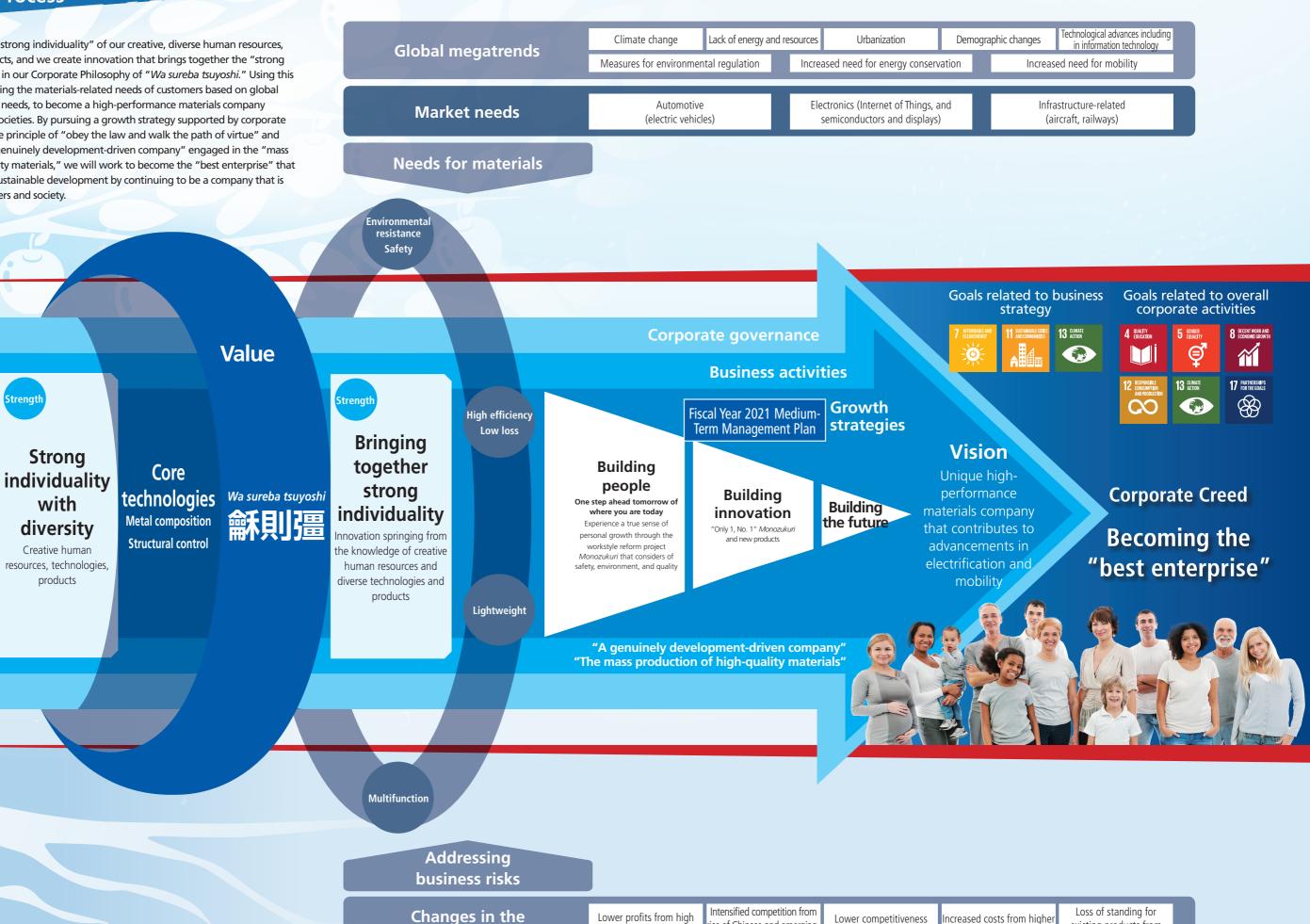
(addition and maturation

through process of evolution

including mergers and

acquisitions)

Our strength lies in the "strong individuality" of our creative, diverse human resources, technologies, and products, and we create innovation that brings together the "strong individuality" embodied in our Corporate Philosophy of "Wa sureba tsuyoshi." Using this strength, we are addressing the materials-related needs of customers based on global megatrends and market needs, to become a high-performance materials company supporting sustainable societies. By pursuing a growth strategy supported by corporate governance based on the principle of "obey the law and walk the path of virtue" and business activities as "a genuinely development-driven company" engaged in the "mass production of high-quality materials," we will work to become the "best enterprise" that contributes to society's sustainable development by continuing to be a company that is indispensable to customers and society.



resource prices

external environment

ncreased costs from higher expectations for quality

Lower competitiveness

from strengthening yen

ise of Chinese and emerging-

market manufacturers

Loss of standing for existing products from technological innovation