

METI revised the Act aiming to develop business environments for

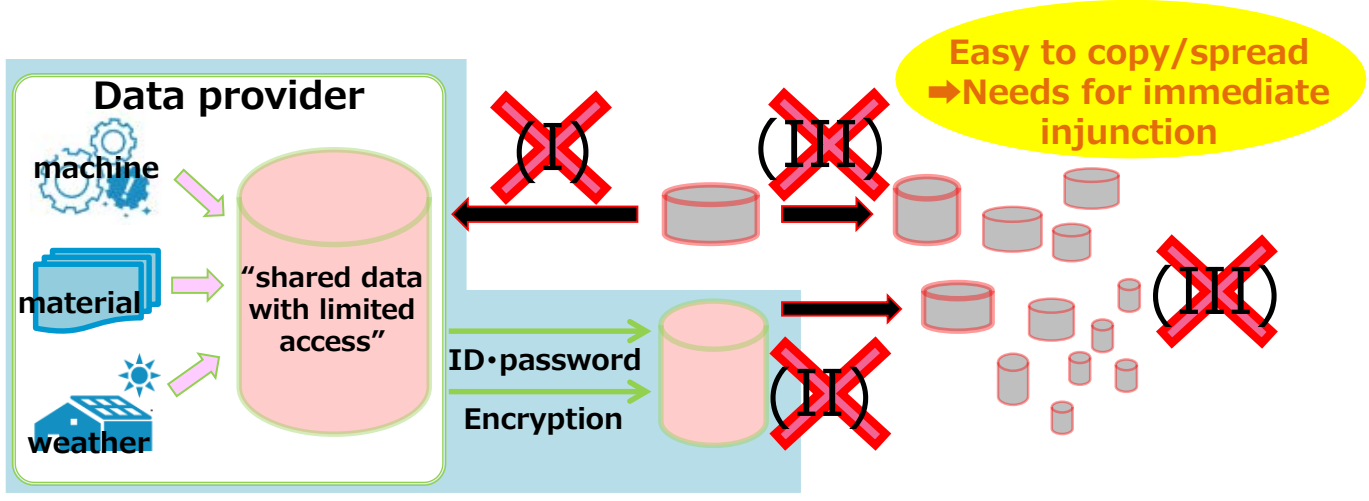
- Encouraging data utilization
- Facilitating creation of new businesses

NEW

(a) Remedies for misappropriation of “shared data with limited access”*

* Data which is (a) is limited distribution, (b) protected by electromagnetic means, e.g. ID/password, etc. and (c) accumulated in a reasonable amount,

- Following is newly added as “acts of unfair competition”.
 - (I) Unauthorized acquisition of “shared data with limited access”
 - (II) Unauthorized use/disclosure of “shared data with limited access”
 - (III) Use/disclosure of unauthorized acquired “shared data with limited access”
- The revised Act provides civil remedies, such as an injunction.



(b) Expanding scope of protection related to TRM*

*Technological Restriction Measures, such as encryption

- The revised Act newly
 - protects data restricted by TRM, and
 - prohibits providing services which circumvents TRM.

