Examination of the Significance of Ibasyo Enterprise as Support for Hikikomori

- From the point of view of having another choice -

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It is a common viewpoint to use ibasyo as part of temporary Hikikomori support. However, there are people who simply participate in other groups, maintaining such as a choice regarding social participation.

The purpose of this study is examine the significance of ibasyo from the point of view of a choice. In this study, four choices that mimic ibasyo and a workplace that can relay how to work on a task were created. In Phase I, participants chose a state in which two choices are presented. In Phase II, it was analyzed whether a change occurred in the tendency for a choice by adding in another choice. As a result of the experiment, a change was exhibited such that some participants who, in imitation of the ibasyo, were given more choices that imitated the workplace. As for one of the reasons for such a result, it is thought that this is because it came to be recognized that an existing choice is more preferable when a choice with a similar social factor is added.