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External Recognition

ESG (environmental, social, and governance) investment involves, in addition to conventional financial analyses, the evaluation of corporations from the environmental, social, and governance aspects, whereby the level of fulfillment of corporations' social responsibilities is regarded as an integral part of investment standards. Mitsui & Co. has been selected for inclusion in major world ESG investment indices — the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices and the FTSE4Good Index Series. Mitsui has also earned recognition under the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), in which companies are assessed in relation to climate change and the environment. In addition, we were selected in the Competitive IT Strategy Company Stock Selection, and as a Semi-Nadeshiko Brand and Eruboshi (L Star) company for being exceptional in encouraging women's success in the workplace.



Dow Jones Sustainability Indices

The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices is a global stock index developed jointly by Dow Jones & Company in the U.S. and RobecoSAM AG in Switzerland. Major corporations around the world are evaluated in terms of their economic, environmental, and social performance. In 2016, 316 companies (which included 26 Japanese companies) were selected for the World Index and 146 companies (which included 68 Japanese companies) were selected for the Asia Pacific Index. Mitsui was selected for both the World Index and Asia Pacific Index in 2016.



RobecoSAM Sustainability Award

RobecoSAM carries out surveys and analyses for the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices. From each industry, it recommends companies that have undertaken outstanding environmental, social, and economic initiatives. A total of 466 companies (including 53 Japanese companies) were selected worldwide for the RobecoSAM Sustainability Awards 2017. In the Trading Companies & Distributors category, Mitsui was selected as one of the companies to be ranked Silver Class, which is awarded to companies that are within a 1%–5% range of the score of the industry leaders.



FTSE4Good Index Series

The FTSE4Good Index Series is a stock index developed by FTSE Russell, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the London Stock Exchange. FTSE Russell evaluates major corporations around the world from the aspects of environmental, social, and governance criteria, including the labor standards applied throughout their supply chains, as well as on the basis of corporate sustainability. It selects companies that satisfy its standards as constituents of the index. Mitsui fulfilled the criteria of the index and was selected in the FTSE4 Good Index Series.



FTSE Blossom Japan Index

The FTSE Blossom Japan Index is designed to measure the performance of Japanese companies that demonstrate strong environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices. The index uses FTSE Russell's ESG Ratings data model, which draws on existing international ESG standards such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and is adopted by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) of Japan as a core ESG benchmark for its passive investments. Mitsui fulfilled the criteria of the index and was selected in the FTSE Blossom Japan Index in 2017.



Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP)

CDP is a London-based non-profit organization operated collaboratively by institutional investors. Its purpose is to urge leading companies (in terms of aggregate value) in major countries to disclose their environmental strategies and greenhouse gas emissions. In 2016, Mitsui was granted the top-level rating, "Leadership Level A-", in relation to climate change.



Competitive IT Strategy Company Stock Selection

The Competitive IT Strategy Company Stock Selection is designated by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE) for companies that undertake outstanding strategic IT utilization initiatives, from among all the enterprises listed on the TSE. In assessments for year 2017, increased emphasis is being placed on initiatives to create value through new business models based on the use of advanced technologies, such as AI and IoT. Mitsui has been selected for inclusion for three consecutive years, since year 2015.



Nadeshiko Brand

The Nadeshiko Brand is a designation jointly awarded by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE) to companies listed in all TSE sections that have shown excellence in promoting career advancement for women. Mitsui was awarded this status in the fiscal years ended March 2015 and March 2016, and in the fiscal year ended March 2017 it was selected under the newly established category of Semi-Nadeshiko Brand.



Eruboshi (L Star)

Eruboshi status is awarded to companies that have submitted notifications under the Act on Promotion of Women's Participation and Advancement in the Workplace (Promotion of Women's Career Activities Act) promulgated on April 1, 2016. Requirements for certification include the fulfillment of specific standards, and the implementation of outstanding initiatives to promote the advancement of women in the workplace. In September 2016, the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare certified Mitsui as having achieved the second of three levels under the Eruboshi system.



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Awards Received in Past Five Years

Fiscal Year Ended March 2017

- Hiroko Koshino Prize and Hiroshi Yagyu Prize in the 22nd National Geographic Japan Advertising Awards (Mitsui & Co. Environment Fund)
- Japan Association for Human and Environmental Symbiosis Award for Environmental Activities (Mitsui SASUGAKU Academy)
- Judging Panel's Incentive Prize in the Corporate Youth Experience Promotion Awards of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Mitsui SASUGAKU Academy)

Fiscal Year Ended March 2016

- Ranked second in the 18th Nikkei Annual Report Awards (2015) by Nikkei, Inc.

Fiscal Year Ended March 2015

- Ranked first in the "Toyo Keizai CSR Ranking" Wholesale Category by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Ranked first in the "18th Environmental Management Survey" Trading Company category by Nikkei, Inc.
- Ranked first in the "2014 Award for Excellence in Corporate Disclosure" (Commerce industry category) by the Securities Analysts Association of Japan
- Received the "2014 IR Special Award" by the Japan Investor Relations Association
- Received the 20th Nikkei BP Advertising Award's Excellent Business Expert Award (2014) by Nikkei Business Publications, Inc. (Mitsui's Forests)

Fiscal Year Ended March 2014

- Ranked first in the "Toyo Keizai CSR Ranking" Wholesale Category by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Ranked first in the "17th Environmental Management Survey" Trading Company category by Nikkei, Inc.
- Received the Award for Special Merit in the 48th Industrial Advertising Award (2013) in the Newspaper Category by Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun Ltd. (Mitsui's Forests)
- Received the 19th Nikkei BP Advertising Award's National Geographic Japan Award (2013) by Nikkei Business Publications, Inc. (Mitsui's Forests)

Fiscal Year Ended March 2013

- Ranked first in the "Toyo Keizai CSR Ranking" Wholesale Category by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Ranked first in the "16th Environmental Management Survey" Trading Company category by Nikkei, Inc.