Evaluation by Society

ESG (environmental, social, and governance) investment involves the selection of investment targets through the evaluation of corporations based on conventional financial analyses and investment standards, as well as on how well they fulfill their social responsibilities. Mitsui has been selected for inclusion in major world ESG investment indices—the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and the FTSE4Good Index Series. In addition, we were selected in the “Competitive IT Strategy Company Stock Selection”, and as a “Nadeshiko Brand” company for being “exceptional in encouraging women’s success in the workplace”.

Dow Jones Sustainability World Index
The Dow Jones Sustainability World Index 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. Mitsui was one of 317 companies (which included 20 Japanese companies) that were selected for 2015.

RobecoSAM Sustainability Award
RobecoSAM carries out surveys and analyses for the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices. From each category, it recommends companies that have undertaken outstanding environmental, social, and economic initiatives. A total of 464 companies (including 47 Japanese companies) were selected worldwide for the RobecoSAM Sustainability Awards 2016. 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.

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 for companies that undertake strategic IT utilization initiatives, from among all the enterprises listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Mitsui was selected for the fiscal year ended March 2016 and the fiscal year ending March 2017.

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 on the First Section of the TSE 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.

Awards Received in the Past Five Years

Fiscal Year Ended March 2016

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.

Fiscal Year Ended March 2012
- Ranked first in the “Toyo Keizai CSR Ranking” Wholesale Category by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Ranked first in the “15th Environmental Management Survey” Trading Company category by Nikkei, Inc.
- Received the Award for Excellence in the Sustainability Reporting Award Category of 15th Green Reporting Award and Sustainability Reporting Award by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Received the Award of Excellence in the 2012 Key Firm of Integrity Award by Integrex Inc.