

Evaluation by Society

External Recognition

Our selection for inclusion in major ESG investment indices in and outside Japan indicates that we are highly evaluated by society.



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 the fiscal year ended March 2019, 317 companies (which included 34 Japanese companies) including Mitsui were selected for the World Index.



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 458 companies were selected worldwide for the RobecoSAM Sustainability Awards 2019. In the Trading Companies & Distributors category, Mitsui was selected as one of the companies to be ranked Bronze Class, which is awarded to companies that are within a 10% 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.



MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)

Developed by Morgan Stanley Capital Investment (MSCI), the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index is adopted by GPIF as a tracking benchmark for its passive ESG investment. The index is a selection of Japanese companies from each industry that represent high gender diversity. Mitsui fulfilled the criteria of the index and was selected in the MSCI Japan Empowering Women 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 (TSE) from among the companies listed on the TSE on the basis of outstanding IT utilization initiatives. Mitsui has been selected for five consecutive years since the launch of the award in 2015. For the selection in 2019, high evaluation was given to: development of IT utilization from Mitsui's wide-ranging business to sport, entertainment, and other various areas, including the initiatives to establish digital twins for improving productivity of large business assets, such as energy facilities, power plants, vessels, and manufacturing lines, and to utilize collected data, as well as the establishment of a dynamic pricing company; and company-wide measures to realize work style innovation through utilization of IT tools.



Nadeshiko Brand

Since the fiscal year ended March 2013, METI and the TSE have been jointly selecting TSE-listed outstanding enterprises that encourage women's success in the workplace as "Nadeshiko Brands." Since the fiscal year ended March 2015, Mitsui has been selected as a Nadeshiko or Semi-Nadeshiko Brand company for five consecutive years. Nadeshiko Brand selection: Fiscal years ended March 2015, 2016, and 2018. Semi-Nadeshiko Brand selection: Fiscal years ended March 2017 and 2019.



Eruboshi (L Star)

The Eruboshi system certifies 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, and that meet the specific standards and are regarded as implementing outstanding initiatives to promote the advancement of women in the workplace. Mitsui was certified as having achieved the second of three levels under the Eruboshi system.



Kurumin Certification

Kurumin certification is given to "child-raising supporting companies" on an application basis. The certification requires that the company (1) has formulated a general employers action plan under the Act on Advancement of Measures to Support Raising Next-Generation Children and (2) has achieved targets set in the plan while satisfying certain requirements. Mitsui has been certified by the Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare as a company actively providing childcare support, three times in 2008, 2011, and 2015, acquiring the next-generation development logo, "Kurumin."



Certified Health & Productivity Management Organization Recognition Program

Through this program, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Nippon Kenko Kaigi jointly recognize large companies and small- to medium-sized enterprises that have been implementing excellent health management, based on measures in line with local health problems and the health promotion initiatives pursued by the Nippon Kenko Kaigi. Mitsui has been recognized as one of the Health & Productivity Management Outstanding Organizations under the initiative "White 500" for three consecutive years.

Awards Received in Past Five Years

Fiscal Year Ended March 2019

- Received the “Best IR Award at the IR Awards 2018” by The Japan Investor Relations Association (JIRA)
- Selected for the top award in the commerce industry category and won second place in the disclosure-to-individual investors category (selected out of 28 companies that represent the top 10% of each industry) at the “2018 Award for Excellence in Corporate Disclosure” by the Securities Analysts Association of Japan
- Received the Award for Excellence at the 21st Nikkei Annual Report Awards (2018) by Nikkei, Inc.
- Received Award of merit in the Environmental Report section of the Environmental Communication Awards 2018 by Ministry of the Environment Government
- 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 2018

- Selected for the top award in the commerce industry category at the “2017 Award for Excellence in Corporate Disclosure” by the Securities Analysts Association of Japan
- Received the Award for Excellence at the 20th Nikkei Annual Report Awards (2017) by Nikkei, Inc.
- Judging Panel's Special 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 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 place in the 18th Nikkei Annual Report Awards (2015) by Nikkei, Inc.

Fiscal Year Ended March 2015

- Ranked first place in the “Toyo Keizai CSR Ranking” Wholesale Category by Toyo Keizai Inc.
- Ranked first place in the “18th Environmental Management Survey” Trading Company category by Nikkei, Inc.
- Selected for the top award in the commerce industry category at the “2014 Award for Excellence in Corporate Disclosure” 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)