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NRI Equities Included in Three New ESG Indexes

TOKYO, July 12, 2017 - Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI), a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, today announced that its equities have been included in three recently announced indexes, the “FTSE Blossom Japan Index,” the “MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index,” and the “MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)”, which are indexes for the three factors of “ESG” (Environment, Social, and Governance).

The “FTSE Blossom Japan Index” was designed by the U.K.-based FTSE Russell in order to measure the performance of Japanese companies which do an excellent job of addressing ESG. It is an index built using evaluation models based on established international ESG standards, including the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The “MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index,” published by the U.S. company MSCI, is an index constituted by selecting equities, from among equities that are part of the “MSCI Japan IMI Top 500 Index” (top 500 equities in terms of market capitalization), that have relatively high ESG ratings in each industry, with a goal of reaching 50% of market capitalization in each industry.

Similarly, the “MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN),” also published by MSCI, is composed of equities from the “MSCI Japan IMI Top 500 Index” (top 500 Japanese companies by market capitalization) that demonstrate superior gender diversity in each industry.

ESG indexes are used in equity management, and all of these three indexes are employed as ESG indexes in passive management by Japan’s Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF).

NRI will continue to engage in ESG-related issues, build new value together with various stakeholders, and fulfill its responsibility as a company working to “Dream up the future.”

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