

# NEWS RELEASE

## NRI Selected to the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index for

# the Second Consecutive Year

**TOKYO, September 17, 2019** – Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI), a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, announced today that it was selected for the second consecutive year as a component of the "World Index" (DJSI World), the global version of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI)<sup>\*1</sup> ESG Investment Index on September 14, 2019. Furthermore, the Company was simultaneously selected for the DJSI's Asia-Pacific version of the index, DJSI Asia Pacific, for a fourth consecutive year.



In 2019, 318 of the top-ranking 2,500 companies in the world by market capitalization were selected for inclusion in DJSI World (33 of which are Japanese), with 17 selected in the field to which NRI belongs "IT Services & Internet Software Services" (3 of which are Japanese).

NRI received a high evaluation for its initiatives related to the economy, such as IT human resources development geared toward technological innovations such as AI (artificial intelligence). In regard to the environment, the Company was also rated highly for being recognized by the Science Based Targets (SBT)<sup>\*2</sup> Initiative and for its aggressive commitment to global initiatives including its membership in the RE100<sup>\*3</sup>. As for its initiatives related to society, NRI also received a high evaluation primarily for its efforts toward diversity (separate indicators were used for gender and rank) and implementation of human rights due diligence.

NRI's NRI Group Medium-Term Management Plan (2019-2022) calls for "Solving social issues through value cocreation," with which the Company has committed to "Co-create a thriving future society by driving new value," "Cocreate an ideal society by effectively utilizing its resources," and "Co-create a safe and secure society by advancing its infrastructure" through its business activities. Based on this plan, NRI will contribute to creating a sustainable future society through its main business areas which include consulting and IT solutions.

<sup>\*1</sup> Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI): Component stocks are selected from companies that achieve outstanding sustainability based on an evaluation of their corporate economic, environmental, and social aspects using ESG share indicators jointly developed by

S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC of the U.S. and RobecoSAM AG of Switzerland.

<sup>\*2</sup> Science Based Targets (SBT): Science-based targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions by companies in order to keep global temperature increases under 2°C compared to preindustrial temperatures. Companies are recognized by the SBT Initiative which maintains these targets to promote action on climate change. The initiative was established by four organizations: the CDP which is a federation of institutional investors that promotes disclosure of measures to counteract climate-change, the UN Global Compact (UNGC), the World Resources Institute (WRI), and the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). SBT Initiative website : https://sciencebasedtargets.org

<sup>\*3</sup> RE100: A global leadership initiative led by the international NGO The Climate Group in partnership with the CDP. Companies that join the initiative declare and publish goals specifying that 100% of the energy consumed for their business operations will be renewable by 2050.

The RE100 official website : http://there100.org/

#### [For Reference]

■NRI's sustainability-related initiatives

• Website:

https://www.nri.com/en/sustainability

- Integrated Report: https://ir.nri.com/en/ir/library/report.html
- ESG Databook:

https://www.nri.com/en/sustainability/library/back\_number

• Sustainability Book:

https://www.nri.com/en/sustainability/library/back\_number

■NRI's external evaluations

NRI has been selected for several global ESG investment indexes and ratings including DJSI World.

ESG Investment Index or Rating	Description
Dow Jones Sustainability World Index	Selected for the 2nd consecutive year since 2018
Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index	Selected for the 4th consecutive year since 2016
MSCI ACWI ESG Leaders Index	Selected for the 3rd consecutive year since 2016
FTSE4Good Developed Index	Selected for the 14th consecutive year since 2006
MCSI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index	Selected for the3rd consecutive year since 2017
MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)	Selected for the 3rd consecutive year since 2017
FTSE Blossom Japan Index	Selected for the 3rd consecutive year since 2017
S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index	Selected for the 1 <sup>st</sup> time in 2018
CDP	Selected for the Climate Disclosure Leadership Index (CDLI) in 2015
Science Based Targets (SBT)	The NRI Group's greenhouse gas emissions reduction target
	recognized by the SBT Initiative in 2018
RE100	The NRI Group joined the RE100 in 2019, committing to use 100%
	renewable energy by 2050

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