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MARUI GROUP Included in Dow Jones Sustainability World Index, a Globally Recognized Socially Responsible Investment Index

MARUI GROUP CO., LTD., announces that the Company was included in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index, a globally recognized socially responsible investment index,*¹ for the first time in 2018. The Company was also included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index, which comprises companies from the Asia Pacific region, for the second consecutive year.

Our inclusion in these indexes is thought to reflect the high evaluation of MARUI GROUP's practice of co-creation sustainability management, which aims to co-create value with all of the Company stakeholders and is an evolution of forward-looking sustainability management that merges business activities with environmental, social issue response, and corporate governance initiatives in an integrated manner.

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Dow Jones Sustainability Index Series

The Dow Jones Sustainability Index series is a globally recognized series of indexes developed jointly by Dow Jones & Company, Inc., of the United States and RobecoSAM AG of Switzerland. These indexes select companies for inclusion by evaluating their sustainability based on economic, environmental, and social factors.

Dow Jones Sustainability World Index

The Dow Jones Sustainability World Index compiles major companies from around the world. The 2018 iteration of this index comprises 317 companies chosen from among the 2,521 companies surveyed. Of these companies, 34 are from Japan, and MARUI GROUP is the only Japanese retailing company included.

Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index

The Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index compiles major companies from the Asia Pacific region. A total of 150 companies, 75 of which are Japanese companies, are included in the 2018 iteration of this index from among the 612 companies surveyed.

*1 Socially responsible investment is an investment style that entails consideration of traditional investment standards based on financial information as well as environmental, social, corporate governance, and other factors pertaining to a company's level of social responsibility.

Furthermore, MARUI GROUP has been selected for inclusion in the three ESG indexes that are utilized by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) for the second consecutive year. These indexes are the FTSE Blossom Japan Index, the MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index, and the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index. The Company was also included in the FTSE4Good Index Series for two consecutive years. For more information on these topics, please refer to the following news releases.

“Second Consecutive Year of Inclusion in Three ESG Indexes Utilized by the GPIF”

→ http://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/18_0705/en_18_0705_1.pdf

“Second Year of Inclusion in FTSE4Good Index Series SRI Index”

→ http://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/18_0705/en_18_0705_2.pdf

Information on MARUI GROUP's vision for co-creation sustainability management can be found in the following reports.

Co-Creation Management Report 2017

→ <http://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/ir/lib/i-report.html>

Co-Creation Sustainability Report 2017

→ <http://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/sustainability/lib/s-report.html>

Co-Creation Management Report 2018 is scheduled to be released in October 2018, and *Co-Creation Sustainability Report 2018* is scheduled to be released in January 2019.



■ Company Overview

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