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

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

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 2019 iteration of this index comprises 318 companies chosen from among the 2,526 companies surveyed. Of these companies, 33 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 148 companies, 76 of which are Japanese companies, are included in the 2019 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 four ESG indexes that are utilized by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF). These indexes are the FTSE Blossom Japan Index, the MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index, the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index, and the S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index.

Other indexes including the Company are the FTSE4Good Index Series, a globally recognized responsible investment index, and the MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes, a highly recognized global ESG stock index.

For more information on these topics, please refer to the following news releases.

- “MARUI GROUP Included in S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index, a Global Environmental Index Utilized by the GPIF”
→ https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/18_1005/en_18_1005_1.pdf
- “Third Consecutive Year of Inclusion in Three ESG Indexes Utilized by the GPIF”
→ https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/19_0725/en_19_0725_2.pdf
- “Third Year of Inclusion in Globally Recognized FTSE4Good Index Series Responsible Investment Index”
→ https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/pdf/settlement/19_0725/en_19_0725_1.pdf

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

Co-Creation Management Report 2019

- Japanese:
<https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/ir/lib/i-report.html>

The English-language version of *Co-Creation Management Report 2019* is scheduled to be released in early November 2019.



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- Japanese:
<https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/sustainability/lib/s-report.html>
- English:
<https://www.0101maruigroup.co.jp/en/sustainability/lib/s-report.html>



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