

MONEX GROUP

Monex Group Selected as Component for ESG Index “FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index” Adopted by GPIF

TOKYO, July 8, 2022 - Monex Group, Inc. (headquarters: Tokyo; Representative Executive Officer and CEO: Oki Matsumoto; hereinafter “the Company”) announces that it has been selected as a component of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index (“Index”) which is adopted as an investment benchmark for ESG investment by the General Pension Investment Fund (“GPIF”). The Company became the first to join the index among the online securities brokers or crypto asset exchange business providers.

The FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index is constructed by global index provider FTSE Russell. The index is designed to be sector-neutral* and reflects the performance of Japanese companies that excel in environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance in their respective sectors.

The Company has been promoting various ESG/Sustainability initiatives based on the belief that those activities are inseparable from our business and contributes to medium- to long-term enhancement of corporate value. Last year, to expand its corporate value in a sustainable manner, the Company started to address environmental issues through its core business, and in addition, it has been taking actions such as establishing a Sustainability Statement and enhancing disclosure of ESG-related activities on its corporate website. As a result, the Company has been selected as a component of the FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index, which is adopted by the GPIF. The Company hopes that its selection as a constituent of this index will trigger widespread attention not only from individual investors but also from institutional investors.

The Company will continue to improve its score as a constituent of the "FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index" thereby communicating our contribution to the realization of a sustainable society. The Company will also continue to work to achieve a long-term and sustainable growth in corporate value to become a company that is needed by all of its stakeholders through efforts aimed at realizing our business principle of "optimizing each person's lifetime balance sheet."

About FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index

<https://www.ftserussell.com/ja/products/indices/blossom-japan>

For more information on Monex Group's ESG/Sustainability initiatives, please refer to the following;

<https://www.monexgroup.jp/jp/esg.html>

*In order to minimize sector bias, the constituents are selected with consideration of the weights with those of the parent index, the FTSE Japan All Cap Index.

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